

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.**

**D. FERD SWANEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**I. Call to Order**

- A. Silent Meditation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call

**II. PUBLIC FORUM**

- A. Justin Moccaldi of Smithfield – Feasibility Study
- B. Charity Grimm Krupa of Smithfield – Windy Hill Sale, Public Comment Policy

**III. SECRETARIAL**

- A. Enter into executive session if needed
- B. An executive session was held from 7:02 p.m. to 7:35 p.m. for personnel, litigation and collective bargaining negotiations on Monday, June 19, 2017
- C. Adopt agenda as presented
- D. Approve minutes of regular meeting held on May 17, 2017 as presented

**IV. FINANCIAL**

- A. Accept treasurer’s report including tax collections for May 2017 and preliminary financial statements as presented
- B. Grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for June 2017:
  - 1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,259,699.79
  - 2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$896,492.98
- C. Approve payment of bills through activity accounts as presented by principals
- D. Resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Albert Gallatin Area School District, hereby adopts the General Fund Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 in the amount of \$53,078,061.00 as presented; and authorizes that the tax on real estate be levied at the current rate of 14.935 mills or \$1.49 of each \$100.00 assessed evaluation of all property taxable for school purposes located within the School District. All Act 511 and other School Code Taxes remain in effect at the same rate. There is no tax increase.
- E. Approve Resolution authorizing the Homestead and Farmstead exclusion real estate assessment reduction for the Albert Gallatin Area School District’s fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, under the provisions of the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1, 2006), as presented
- F. Grant permission to make all necessary budgetary transfers for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017
- G. Grant permission to purchase Workers Compensation with Caputo Insurance Agency as broker of record, provided the policy is underwritten by Synergy Comp Insurance Co.; at a premium of \$170,813.00 and additional fee of \$24,000.00 for safety loss
- H. Grant permission to purchase Insurance Package (Property, Liability, Auto, Umbrella and EDP coverage) with Utica National Ins. Co. at a premium of \$130,554.00 which includes cyber suite coverage
- I. Approve First National Bank as District Depository for the 2017-2018 school year

- J. As required by the Affordable Care Act, authorize offering the Intermediate Unit 1 Health Insurance Consortium Bronze Plan to uninsured employees of the Albert Gallatin Area School District
- K. Approve Resolution of class action filed against the Pennsylvania Cyber Charter School as presented
- L. Award Band bids as follows to
  - 1. High School - \$9,948.45
  - 2. AG North Middle School - \$8,056.90
  - 3. AG South Middle School - \$8,838.90
  - 4. Elementary Schools - \$661.55Total Bids - \$27,505.80
- M. Award Fall Athletic Bids as follows:
  - 1. Century - \$16,267.60
  - 2. Riddell - \$4,831.14Total Bids - \$21,098.74
- N. Authorize the IU 1 Electric Consortium to extend the current agreement from December 2019 to end in December 2022 as long as it is at or below the current contract rate through Premier Power Solutions LLC. Administration is directed to execute an extension with Premier Power Solutions, LLC for electric service within the parameters
- O. Authorize Albert Gallatin Area School District becoming a member of the Pittsburgh Regional Food Service Directors. Membership dues are \$400.00
- P. Renew eSchoolView Maintenance, Hosting and Support from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 at a cost of \$4,590.84
- Q. Renew One Call service agreement at a cost of \$6,967.59 for the 2017-18 school term

**V. SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. A thank you note was sent from Sandra Lowe and students for use of auditorium for their music recital

**VII. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

- A. Approve purchase of K-5 Journeys English Language Arts program at a cost of \$206,800.82 for a 6-year subscription from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
- B. Approve agreement with Albert Gallatin Education Association to keep the Pilot Program in the Middle Schools for the 2017-2018 school term as presented
- C. Approve the renewal of Science Matters program for grades 1 - 8 for the 2017-18 school term at a cost of \$43,105.00

**VIII. PERSONNEL**

- A. Accept the retirement of Constance Battaglia effective June 6, 2017
- B. Accept the retirement of Terrie Kopec effective June 6, 2017
- C. Grant Candice Jordon a leave of absence commencing July 17, 2017 to June 30, 2018 official retirement date

- D. Grant Dianne Patterson a leave of absence commencing October 16, 2017 to June 30, 2018 official retirement date
- E. Accept resignation of Lauren Smochinsky as Aide effective June 6, 2017
- F. Accept resignation of Cynthia Belch effective June 5, 2017
- G. Hire --- as a Temporary Professional Employee for speech at the appropriate step
- H. Hire --- as Temporary Professional Employee for music at appropriate step
- I. Hire --- as Professional Employee for music at step
- J. Hire --- as Professional Employee for special education at appropriate step
- K. Hire --- as Temporary Professional Employee for special education at step
- L. Hire --- as Food Service Director commencing July 1, 2017 according to written contract agreement
- M. Create one Special Education Support Administrator position
- N. Hire --- as Special Education Support Administrator at the appropriate step according to the Administration Compensation Plan
- O. Rescind Delmar Shipp's resignation as 180-day Security Guard
- P. Adopt Resolution furloughing, demoting and/or not renewing the necessary number of professional and temporary professional staff effective with the start of the 2017-2018 school term, as presented
- Q. Eliminate 1 special education Lead Support position at HS and create 1 special education position for North/South
- R. Transfer Eric Witt to George J. Plava Elementary School per his request
- S. Award the following positions according to contract:
  - 1. Grade 4 CSR at Friendship Hill – Jennifer Hartman
  - 2. Grade 3 CSR at George J. Plava – Tiffany Jobes
  - 3. Grade 1 CSR at George J. Plava – Jennifer Sroka
  - 4. Grade 3 CSR at Smithfield – Merritt Stefancik
  - 5. Grade 2 at AL Wilson – Amy Lewis
  - 6. Learning Support at AG North – Meghan Hadenak
  - 7. Social Studies at AG South – Charles Courie
  - 8. Grade 4 at AL Wilson – Stacey Peton
  - 9. Learning Support at Friendship Hill – Ashley Winkler
  - 10. Guidance at Masontown/George J. Plava – Michelle Aulthouse
  - 11. Grade 2 at Smithfield – Alfreda Hanley
- T. Hire the following extra-curricular activity sponsors for the 2017-18 school year:
  - 1. Sherry Williams – South Newspaper
  - 2. Tricia Moser – South Student Council
  - 3. Melissa Balchak – South Yearbook
  - 4. Stacey Bill – HS Freshman/Sophomore Class
  - 5. CJ Durso – HS Band and Pep Band Director
  - 6. Mike Revak – HS Astronaut
  - 7. Julie Pillar – HS Math Team
- U. Grant permission to enter into agreement for Athletic Trainer for the 2017-18 school term at a cost of \$35,000.00 with NovaCare Rehabilitation, pursuant to proposal letter of May 11, 2017
- V. Grant permission to extend the Connect to Classrooms contract for 2017-18 school year for one HS Behavior Specialist for an additional cost not to exceed \$20,000.00 to be paid by SSIP grant funds

- W. Hire the following High School coaches for one season during the 2017-18 school year, pending all proper documents are received:
1. Golf – Bernie Wydo
  2. Head Cross Country – Joe Thomas
  3. Head Boys Soccer – Jeremy Keefer
  4. Head Girls Soccer – Rick Hansen
  5. Co-Head Cheerleading – Kristen Embacher and Emily Ward
  6. Head Girls Volleyball – Michelle Pergar
  7. Assistant Football (5) – Jeremy Liotta, Rich Kolesar, Eric Fusco, Tyler Naulty
  8. Assistant Volleyball – Katie Nolder
  9. Assistant Boys Soccer – Ephraim Yoder
  10. Assistant Girls Soccer – Andy Miles
  11. Co-Assistant Cheerleading – Kristen Embacher and Emily Hartman
  12. Summer Strength Conditioning – Shawn Liotta
  13. Chris Moser and Jeff Gates as Volunteer Assistant Football
- X. Hire the following Middle School coaches for one season during the 2017-18 school year, pending all proper documents are received:
1. Head Girls Basketball – Ellen Hilenbrant
  2. Head Football – Tom Corazzi
  3. Head Cheerleading – Melissa Corob
  4. Head Coed Soccer – Tim Flecker
  5. Assistant Girls Basketball – Rebecca Phillips
  6. Assistant Cheerleading – Tiffany Pantalo
  7. Fall Athletic Director – Joe Embacher

**IX. ADMINISTRATIVE**

- A. Grant use of High School auxiliary gym from July 17 – 20, 2017 from 8:30 – 3:00 for Cheer camp; Nikki Trump
- B. Grant use of High School auditorium for School Board Candidate Forum on October 3, 2017 (Alternate Date October 10) from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. by Herald Standard Newspaper; Patricia Yauger
- C. Grant permission to add the following to the substitute lists pending receipt of all proper documents:
1. Professional - Lauren Smochinsky
  2. Security – Jesse Snyder

**X. MAINTENANCE**

- A. Grant permission to bid for seal coating of school parking areas
- B. Authorize replacement of Compressor and repairs for High School Chiller at a cost of \$13,797.00 as per written proposal dated June 14, 2017 presented by TRANE
- C. Authorize inspection of four (4) steel sport light poles at a cost of \$625.00 per pole as per written proposal presented by Asset Inspection Solutions, LLC

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. The next regular meeting will be held on July 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School cafeteria
- B. Motion to adjourn