

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018
D. FERD SWANEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Jeff Myers, Vice-president Janet Swaney, Treasurer Michael Dunham, Secretary Edward Colebank, Paul Dunham, Carla Franks, Charity Grimm Krupa, David Howard, Ryan Porupski

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Christopher Pegg, Controller Denise Sheetz and Attorney Lee Price

President Myers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by a Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance after which all present responded to roll call.

PUBLIC FORUM

Marilyn Calloway, Uniontown, PA representing East End Community Center. Mrs. Calloway addressed board on the various programs offered by the center. Mainly, she wanted to express much appreciation for the generosity to the school district and to Friendship Hill Elementary School, Principal and Chuck Myers for the delivery of a van full of supplies to the Uniontown tornado victims.

Chasity Wilson, Fairchance, PA parent/taxpayer in the district and a representative of On-Par Turf and the AstroTurf company that submitted a bid. Ms. Wilson addressed the board about lawsuits against the other company that bid for safety issues. She stated AstroTurf would conduct G-Max testing and maintenance at no charge for 8 years and a 10 year warranty instead of 8 years. She wants to see a good product go into school. She stated the other company had class action lawsuits against them for unsafe turf. A handout was passed out referencing articles and email stating the approval of testing and maintenance as discussed.

Brandon Duriez, Snyder Environmental Services, Inc. addressed the board about the sewage work they are conducting in the Georges Township area to improve the community. Snyder would like to propose to lease the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary trailer to set up an office for operations for approximately 18-24 months. He stated he had access to trailer for a couple days by Bill Chesslo. A signed lease agreement was signed by Mr. Myers but board approval was needed. Mr. Duriez stated that he thought he had permission to use the premises.

Mrs. Grimm Krupa asked Mr. Duriez questions in regards to the approval and access to the facility.

Gina Kefover, Smithfield, PA Henrietta Rerko, Smithfield, PA and Amy Mildren, Fairchance, PA addressed the board regarding starting up a safety committee fundraising group. They represent parents who want to help the district keep our students safe. The group would fundraise to assist the district with safety and security upgrades. They stated several businesses have already indicated that they would donate to the group. They are willing to do all the work to start up group. Mr. Pegg advised the group that they should meet with the AGEA Foundation to see if they can operate as a subcommittee so people or businesses that donate can use for tax deductions. The board expressed their gratitude in support of the committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Myers announced an executive session was held on Monday, March 19, 2018 from 9:50 p.m. to 11:02 p.m. for personnel, real estate lease and investigation matter.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by P. Dunham to enter into executive session for real estate and collective bargaining at 6:33 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to resume meeting at 7:25 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Swaney second by Franks to amend the agenda to include Item IX – K, Administrative, and adopt as amended.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on February 14, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to accept the treasurer's report including tax collections for February 2018 and preliminary financial statements as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to pay the following bills and payroll for March 2018:

1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,699,088.59
2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$1,729,471.93

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to pay bills through activity accounts as presented by building principals.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

IU 1 OPERATIONAL BUDGET

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Swaney to grant permission to approve the Intermediate Unit 1 General Operational 2018-2019 Budget in the amount of \$549,552.00 with Albert Gallatin's share in the amount of \$24,416.38 which is a \$1,363.83 decrease from last year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Porupski to approve payment in the amount of \$1,200.00 to Safeco through Capital Project Funds; Design for ACM and Hazmat removal for crawl space at high school.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to grant permission to enter into contract/purchase Sapphire K12 as the new Student Information System at \$72,798.00 due July 1, 2018 (subscription fees) and \$38,400.00 (one-time fee) due signing of contract for training and implementation.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to approve awarding a school bus transportation contract to Student Transportation of America (STA) for a five-year term commencing July 1, 2018 at the daily, extracurricular and activity rates set forth on the Rate Schedule as presented, including a \$50,000 annual discount to be applied against the daily rate costs. This award is subject to the Parties entering into a written contract incorporating said rates and other terms and conditions comporting with STA's Request for Proposal as submitted to the School District.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, M. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Myers, Swaney

Nays: Krupa

Abstain: Porupski

PRFSD MEMBERSHIP

A motion was made by Howard second by M. Dunham to grant permission to renew membership with Pittsburgh Regional Food Service Directors for the 2018-2019 school year at cost of \$400.00.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

TAX COLLECTOR SOFTWARE

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to authorize the District to reimburse its elected tax collectors for RAK Software, at an amount not to exceed 50% of any new or renewal software licenses (Currently \$339.20) entered into on or after January 1, 2018. The District may discontinue this reimbursement at any time.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SPYGLASS AUDIT

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to authorize the School District entering into a SpyGlass Snapshot Audit Agreement wherein SpyGlass will identify telecommunication service elimination and cost reduction savings for the District. SpyGlass will receive a fee equal to 1 year's savings for any service elimination or cost reduction approved for implementation by the District's Controller and Director of Technology.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None

Board Member Janet Swaney announced the Albert Gallatin Senior High School was putting on the musical production of Grease on March 23, 24 and 25, 2018.

FURLOUGH RECALL

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Howard to recall Tim Dye, Furloughed Instructor, to the open High School Health position effective the start of the 18/19 teacher work year, according to contract.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

AWARD POSITIONS

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to award Dawn Davis the 7 hour cafeteria position at A.L. Wilson Elementary according to contract to commence 18-19 school year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to award Kelly Kotarsky the 3.75 hour cafeteria position at AG North Middle School according to contract.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Swaney to award Jennifer Rosier the 3.75 hour cafeteria position at AG South Middle School according to contract.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to award Michelle Dice the 6.75 hour cafeteria position at AG North Middle School according to contract to commence 18-19 school year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to rescind 4.5 hour cafeteria position at George J. Plava Elementary award to Rebecca Martinko and award Rebecca Martinko 5.5 hour cafeteria position at AG South Middle School according to contract to commence 18-19 School Year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Krupa to award Sharon Wesolowsky the 4 hour cafeteria position at AG High School according to contract to commence 18-19 school year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

RESIGNATION

A motion was made by Franks second by Krupa to accept the resignation of Frances Sherman, Bus Monitor effective March 2, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to accept the resignation of James Pierce, Security effective March 16, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Krupa second by Howard to accept the resignation of Teena Senda, Bus Monitor effective January 12, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to accept the resignation of Laura Jones, AG Senior High School Counselor effective March 29, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

NEW HIRE

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to hire Kathy Shamrock as full-time Bus Monitor effective March 7, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to grant Michelle Dice, cafeteria employee an extension of leave of absence from March 2, 2018 to March 22, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Franks second by Colebank to grant Lisa Haught, Elementary Principal a leave of absence beginning March 1, 2018. Return date to be determined.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to grant Kristie Bogozi, Elementary Instructor a leave of absence commencing March 6, 2018 to approximately April 23, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Swaney to grant Mehgan Bogden, Speech Teacher a leave of absence commencing May 7, 2018 to June 7, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

FMLA

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to grant Susan Hickman, Cafeteria worker a FMLA Leave commencing March 8, 2018.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE/RETIREMENT

A motion was made by Swaney second by Dunham to grant Brian Johnson, Technology Technician a leave of absence commencing March 8, 2018 to May 17, 2018 official retirement date.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mr. Pegg thanked Brian for his many years of dedicated service and wished him a long and happy retirement.

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EXTRACURRICULAR MUSICIAN POSITIONS

A motion was made by Colebank second by Krupa to hire the following extracurricular Musician positions, pending receipt of all documentation:

1. Piano – Wyatt Wilson
2. Saxophone – Mary Kendall
3. Saxophone – Dan Sochko
4. Guitar – CJ Durso
5. Bass – Eric Rosie
6. Percussion– Jim Miller

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SUBSTITUTES

A motion was made by Krupa second by Howard to add the Kimberly King and Angela Pontorero to the professional substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by M. Dunham to add Tammy Roberts to the Nonprofessional substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to Reinstate James Heisterman to the Events Security substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to add Brian Shuba and Michael Andrews to the Part-time and Events Security substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SECOND READING POLICY 226.1 METAL/WEAPON DETECTION SYSTEM/DEVICES

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Porupski to approve second reading of Policy 226.1 Metal/Weapon Detection System/Devices.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

BUS AND SUBSTITUTE DRIVER LIST

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to approve updated Bus Driver and Substitute Driver list as presented for 2017-18.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

REVISED 17-18 SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to adopt the revised 2017-2018 school calendar with June 6, 2018 as last day for students and graduation.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

18-19 SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Franks to approve the 2018-2019 school calendar with August 27, 2018 as first day of school for students and graduation and last day of school for students on May 31, 2019.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PIANO RECITAL

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to grant use of AG High School Auditorium May 30 and 31 from 4:15 pm – 6:30 pm for recital practice and Sunday, June 3, 2018 for Piano Recital; CJ Durso and Sandy Lowe.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PRACTICUM PLACEMENT

A motion was made by Franks second by Howard to authorize California University School Counseling Master's student Sara Guidi a practicum placement with Kristen Mack, School Counselor for fall semester 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to grant David Diamond, High School Instructor permission to attend the Project Lead The Way Core Civil Engineering and Architecture training from June 3, 2018 to June 15, 2018 at Milwaukee School of Engineering, Milwaukee, WI at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

9th GRADE BOYS BASEBALL

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to consider a motion to reinstate a 9th Grade Boys Baseball team commencing the spring 2017-2018 school year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

EMAIL ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Franks second by Krupa to consider a motion to set up Albert Gallatin School District email accounts for board members who so desire.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

D. FERD MODULAR CLASSROOM LEASE

A motion was made by Swaney second by Colebank to lease D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School modular classroom to Snyder Environmental Services, Inc. term not to exceed 24 months at a monthly rate of \$1,000 that includes WiFi, electrical service, use of parking area for personal vehicles or visitors; no construction equipment, supplies or material will be permitted to be stored on site. No access to the D. Ferd Swaney School main building; contingent upon a written lease approved as to form, not substance, by the solicitor and appropriate officers are authorized to sign lease.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Myers, Swaney

Nays: M. Dunham, Krupa, Porupski

HVAC CONTRACT

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to consider a motion to award the HVAC Contract for the Crawl Space Abatement and Ventilation: Albert Gallatin High School to **Whitby, Inc.** with a Base Bid amount of \$45,600.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ABATEMENT CONTRACT

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to consider a motion to award the Asbestos Abatement Contract for the Crawl Space Abatement and Ventilation: Albert Gallatin High School to **Hometeam Property** including the Base Bid amount of \$22,751 with Add Alternate #1 in the amount of \$4,200 for a contract total of \$26,951.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

AIR MONITORING

A motion was made by Colebank second by Porupski to consider a motion to accept the proposal from SafeCo for daily air monitoring and TEM clearance sampling for the Crawl Space Abatement and Ventilation: Albert Gallatin High School project.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ROOF BIDS

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to award the base bid for South Middle School Roof Project to Triangle Roofing in the amount of \$112,210.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Porupski, Swaney

Nays: Myers

Abstain: M. Dunham

Myers stated he knows the roofs need repaired but he will be voting no on the roofing project motions since he strongly believes the security upgrades to the district should be taken care of first.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to award the bid for the South Middle School Roof Project's materials and roof system to Garland/DBS, Inc. pursuant to the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance's Program for Roofing Supplies and Related Products and Services, sealed bid # 14-5903 in the amount of \$43,743.30.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Porupski, Swaney

Nays: Myers

Abstain: M. Dunham

A motion was made by Howard second by Porupski to award the Coal Tar Flood base bid for the North Middle School Roof Project to Triangle Roofing in the amount of \$178,390.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Porupski, Swaney

Nays: Myers

Abstain: M. Dunham

A motion was made by Krupa second by Howard to award the Coal Tar Flood bid for the North Middle School Roof Project's materials and roof system to Garland/DBS, Inc. pursuant to the U.S.

Communities Government Purchasing Alliance's Program for Roofing Supplies and Related Products and Services, sealed bid # 14-5903 in the amount of \$50,221.86.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Porupski, Swaney

Nays: Myers

Abstain: M. Dunham

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to award the Coal Tar Flood base bid for the High School Roof Project to Tuscano-Maher Roofing in the amount of \$873,000.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Porupski, Swaney

Nays: Myers

Abstain: M. Dunham

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to award the Coal Tar Flood bid for the High School Roof Project's materials and roof system to Garland/DBS, Inc. pursuant to the U.S.

Communities Government Purchasing Alliance's Program for Roofing Supplies and Related Products and Services, sealed bid # 14-5903 in the amount of \$294,857.05.

Ayes: Colebank, P. Dunham, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Porupski, Swaney

Nays: Myers

Abstain: M. Dunham

Colebank stated that bond money should be spent first on security and safety first.

ADJOURNMENT

President Myers announced the next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Porupski to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.