

Albert Gallatin Area School Board – REGULAR MEETING

D. Ferd Swaney – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PUBLIC FORUM

III. SECRETARIAL

- A. Enter into executive session, if needed.
- B. An executive session was held on Monday, August 9, 2021 from 6:40 pm to -7:48 pm for personnel, real estate and collective bargaining.
- C. Adopt agenda as presented.
- D. Approve minutes of regular meeting held July 21, 2021.

IV. FINANCIAL

- A. Accept treasurer's report including tax collections for July 2021 and preliminary financial statements as presented.
- B. Grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for August 2021:
 1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$1,552,956.08
 2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$1,393,309.60
 3. Cafeteria fund bills in the amount of \$10,893.20
- C. Approve the following payments from the Capital Projects Fund:
 1. Combustion Service & Equipment Co. \$2,526 for combustion chamber repairs at Masontown Elementary.
 2. H.F. Lenz Company \$2,000 for replacement of fire alarm and addition of secure entrance vestibules.
 3. Daniels Excavating \$7,530 for asphalt patching at Smithfield Elementary.
 4. Garlands/DBS, Inc. \$290,303.78 draw 4 district roofing projects.Total Capital Projects: \$302,359.78
- D. Award Milk Bid to United Dairy for the 2021-22 School Year.
- E. Award Bread Bid to Klosterman Baking Company for the 2021-22 school year
- F. Approve change order by Gaefke Installations, LLC. in the amount of \$4,850 for the installation of sleeves on an elevated floor versus slab on grade floor at North Middle School gymnasium. Funded through Capital Projects.

V. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

VI. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- A. Grant permission for Administration to hire five (5) Elementary tutors for one school year only, compensation equivalent to Step 1 of the teacher's salary schedule, with benefits. To be placed by Administration.
- B. Approve first reading of revised policy 103 Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students.
- C. Approve first reading of policy 103.1 Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities.
- D. Approve first reading of revised policy 104 Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Staff.
- E. Approve the contract with Step by Step Learning through Federal Programs at no cost to the district.
- F. Approve the revised Albert Gallatin Area School District's Health and Safety Plan as presented.

VII. PERSONNEL

- A. Accept the resignation of Eric Sampson effective July 22, 2021.
- B. Accept the retirement of Charmaine Kaiser, former classroom aide effective July 30, 2021.
- C. Accept the retirement of Rose Smochinsky, Business Office/Federal Programs Secretary effective March 18, 2022.
- D. Accept the resignation of Bethany Chicarelli for high school senior class co-sponsor and student council co-sponsor effective July 22, 2021.
- E. Adopt Resolution reappointing Christopher A. Pegg as the Albert Gallatin Area School District Superintendent for the term commencing July 1, 2022 and terminating midnight, June 30, 2027 pursuant to employment contract as presented.
- F. Hire Sierra Fitch as full-time Bus Monitor.
- G. Recall Tim Dye, Furloughed Instructor, to the open high school physical education/health position effective the start of the 2021-22 teacher work year at step 8 masters salary, according to contract.
- H. Hire Christopher Colgan, Middle School Assistant Football Coach for one season, pending receipt of all proper documents.
- I. Create a Kindergarten position at AL Wilson Elementary - one year only.
- J. Recall Megan Cerullo, Furloughed Instructor, to the Kindergarten position at AL Wilson Elementary - 1 year only for the start of the 2021-22 teacher work year at step 12 bachelors salary, subject to Act 97 certification.
- K. Grant Michele Jacobs, Cafeteria employee a leave of absence from August 18, 2021 to October 5, 2021.
- L. Eliminate a 3 hour cafeteria position at the AG High School.
- M. Create a 4 hour cafeteria position at the AG High School.
- N. Eliminate a second grade position at Smithfield Elementary.
- O. Create a second grade position at George J. Plava Elementary – one year only.
- P. Hire Benjamin Shuman as Custodian for the open midnight position at AL Wilson Elementary.
- Q. Rehire Ron Popovich as high school varsity baseball coach for one season, pending receipt of all proper documents.
- R. Approve granting full-time health room aides five (5) sick days and two (2) personnel days per annum (non-accumulating).
- S. Approve renewal of the following individual contracts for terms of five years, retroactive to July 1, 2021, with year one salaries as presented.
 - 1. Sharon Berkshire, Confidential Secretary II/PIMS/Child Accounting Coordinator - \$50,275
 - 2. Chris Bolin, Technology Coordinator/Network Systems Technician - \$88,327
 - 3. Duane Dupont, Athletic Director - \$56,070
 - 4. Troy Golden, Director of Food Services - \$63,036
 - 5. Kathy Hershberger, Confidential Secretary I and PIMS Staff Coordinator - \$62,691
 - 6. Justin Keller, Technology Technician - \$47,929
 - 7. Gary Serock, Attendance Monitor - \$48,137
- T. Approve the three year term renewal of the following School Police Officer contracts for terms of three years, retroactive to July 1, 2021.
 - 1. Donald Alston
 - 2. Gary Smearcheck

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Approve the Teacher, Nurse, Custodian, Secretary, Cafeteria, Security, Aide substitute lists for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.
- B. Grant permission to add Patricia Michaels and James Shea, Jr. to the nonprofessional substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.
- C. Approve Bus Driver, Substitute Driver and Bus Monitor list for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.
- D. Approve Bus Routes for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

- E. Appoint Vincent J. Roskovensky II to negotiate and draft an oil and gas lease with EQT Production Company on behalf of the District. Attorney Roskovensky shall be paid \$200 per hour with a not to exceed sum of \$2500, pursuant to his proposal letter dated August 9, 2021.
- F. Grant use of George J. Plava, Masontown, Smithfield and AL Wilson Elementary cafeterias to WFC Boys Scouts of America on Thursday, September 16, 2021 from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm for cub scout sign-up night; group representative-Kristen Eagle.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- A. The next regular meeting will be held on September 15, 2021 in the D. Ferd Swaney cafeteria.
- B. Motion to adjourn.