

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2018
D. FERD SWANEY SCHOOL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Janet Swaney, Vice President Franks, Treasurer Michael Dunham, Secretary Edward Colebank, Paul Dunham, Charity Grimm Krupa, David Howard, Betty Moser, Ryan Porupski

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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

President Swaney called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. followed by a Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance after which all present responded to roll call.

PUBLIC FORUM

B. Joseph Doloback, II, Masontown, PA addressed the board regarding proposing the board having two high school student delegates attend the work session and board meetings. The delegates would represent the student body and bring information that would be passed along to the delegates to the board.

Jamie Thoresen, Smithfield, PA addressed the board regarding high school baseball players attending spring training trip to the Ripken Experience in Myrtle Beach, SC from March 21, 2019 to March 25, 2019.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 from 8:10 pm – 8:52 pm for personnel and collective bargaining.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to amend and adopt the agenda as presented. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

Financial - added Motions G and H

Administrative – added Motions C and D

MINUTES

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to approve minutes of the following meetings held November 14, 2018 as presented.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Colebank to grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for December 2018: Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,583,201.12.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for December 2018: Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$307,144.28.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Franks second by Porupski to grant permission to approve utilities, Capital Reserve and other bills due upon review by Superintendent and/or Controller.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to accept activity accounts report as presented by building principals.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACT 1 MAILING

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to approve Act 1 mailing not to exceed \$4,500.00.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SWRTB REPRESENTATIVE

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to appoint Ryan Porupski to Southwest Regional Tax Bureau 2019 Representative for a one year term and Denise Sheetz as Alternative.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SPECIAL WARRANT DEEDS

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to authorize the appropriate officers of the school district to execute and deliver special warranty deeds to the buyers of the former AL Wilson properties and any other documents necessary for closing.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SECURITY CAMERAS (CAPITAL PROJECTS)

A motion was made by Howard second by M. Dunham to approve invoice in the amount of \$21,957.50 for new security cameras for AG North and AG South Middle Schools to All Campus Security through Capital Project Funds, subject to being tested for successful proper operation.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

COPIER CONTRACT

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to grant approval to enter into a copier contract with Ford Business Machines pursuant to its proposal dated November 1, 2018 and as amended at board work session on December 5, 2018 subject to approval of solicitor as to form, not substance.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PROPERTY SALE EXTENSION

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to grant approval to extend final settlement for the former AL Wilson buildings sale on or before January 19, 2019 as per request of the buyer Eric Miller.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SECURITY CAMERAS

A motion was made by Krupa second by M. Dunham to grant permission to purchase new security cameras for AG North and AG South Middle Schools at a cost not to exceed \$22,000.00 through All Campus Security (Final amount to be determined on final count of total cameras.) as per COSTARS Contract.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Thank you to the school board for appointing the firm and wishing everyone a Merry Christmas.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Thank you to the following personnel for assisting in the AL Wilson bus accident: Fire Dept, EMS/EMT's, the bus driver, Lara Bezjak, Sheri Dunham, Krista Baker, Jillian Ciarrocchi, Kim Riley, Stacey Peton-Tenney, Vic Dirda, Leandra Dirda, Sheri Ardabell, Bill Parnham, Tere Simon, Mark Dunham, and Kathy Hershberger.

The district received a \$25,000 PPCD grant toward the purchase of bag scanners for both middle schools and an additional scanner for the high school, student parking lot entrance.

As part of Act 44 the district is preparing to roll out the new Safe2Say Something program in January. The Safe2Say Something Anonymous Reporting System allows individuals to submit secure and anonymous safety concerns to help identify and intervene when unsafe and/or harmful behaviors take place. The tips can be submitted via the app, online, or a dedicated hotline, and each tip is reviewed by the call center housed in the Office of Attorney General. The call center will process and refer each tip to the appropriate school teams and law enforcement according to the level of threat.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to grant Rachel Wolf an intermittent FMLA leave upon depletion of all accrued sick and personal leave.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to grant Julie Bell an intermittent FMLA leave upon depletion of all accrued sick and personal leave.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Franks second by Krupa to grant Paul Thomas, Maintenance worker a leave of absence commencing December 10, 2018 for approximately six weeks.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to grant Elizabeth Mulac a parental leave of absence from January 22, 2019 to March 18, 2019; all accrued sick and personal shall be used during leave.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by M. Dunham to accept the resignation of Kristi Kaiser, classroom teacher, effective November 28, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ELIMINATE CUSTODIAN POSITION

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Porupski to grant permission to eliminate a Midnight Custodian Position at AG High School.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

COACHES

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to grant permission to hire the following coaches for one season during the 2018-2019 school year, pending all proper documents are received:

1. Joe Barton – Assistant Varsity Baseball
2. Eric Forsythe - Assistant Varsity Baseball
3. Baylee Powell – Head Middle School Volleyball
4. Kristen Dunham – Assistant Middle School Volleyball
5. Rachel Alderson – Volunteer Assistant Middle School Volleyball
6. Drew Dindl - High School Winter Conditioning Coach

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

Nays: Krupa only on 4 (Kristen Dunham)

Abstain: P. Dunham only on 4 & 5 (Kristen Dunham and Rachel Alderson)

SECURITY POSITION

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to transfer Jason Smitley, Parking Lot Attendant to 12 month Security Position at a rate of \$11.00 per hour effective, December 3, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ELIMINATE POSITIONS

A motion was made by Franks second by Krupa to grant permission to eliminate the following Cafeteria positions:

1. 3.5-Hour Position at High School
2. 3-Hour Position at Masontown Elementary
3. 6.5-Hour Position at Masontown Elementary
4. 6.75-Hour Position at North Middle School
5. 5.5-Hour Position at North Middle School
6. 6.75-Hour Position at South Middle School
7. 5.5-Hour Position at South Middle School

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CREATE POSITIONS

A motion was made by Krupa second by Franks to grant permission to create the following Cafeteria positions:

1. 3.5-Hour position at Masontown
2. 7-Hour Position at Masontown
3. 7-Hour Position at North Middle School
4. 6.5-Hour Position at North Middle School
5. 7-Hour Position at South Middle School
6. 6.5-Hour Position at South Middle School

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SUBSTITUTE LIST

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Franks to grant permission to add Chelsea Feudale, Luke Zelich and Matt Stackhouse to the professional substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

STUDENT TEACHERS

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Krupa to authorize California University student teacher placements from January 22, 2019 – May 3, 2019 as follows:

1. Amber Pitts – K-4 - Jamie Kamp at George J. Plava Elementary
2. Sydney Gold – K-4 - Eva Warner at Friendship Hill Elementary

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SCHOOL BOARD STUDENT DELEGATES

A motion was made by Porupski second by Krupa to approve creation of two high school student delegates to the board as a pilot program.

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

Abstain: M. Dunham

AIRING SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

A motion was made by Franks second by Porupski to grant approval to airing all recordings on Fayette TV/Channel 77, at no cost to the district.

Ayes: Colebank, Franks, Howard, Krupa, Moser, Porupski

Nays: M. Dunham, P. Dunham,

Abstain: Swaney

ADOURNMENT

The next regular meeting will be held on January 16, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School cafeteria.

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.