

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017 FOLLOWING REORGANIZATION AND WORK SESSION
D. FERD SWANEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Carl Bezjak, Controller Denise Sheetz and Attorney Lee Price

President – called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. after which all present responded to roll call.

PUBLIC FORUM

Justin Moccaldi of Smithfield addressed the board about the 2016 feasibility study in regards to consolidation of the middle schools. Mr. Bezjak stated that consolidation of middle schools is a possibility due to declining enrollment and under-utilization of the buildings. Mr. Moccaldi referenced closing of the schools, tax increases and cost savings. Mr. Moccaldi spoke more in depth about the study and the minutes from the D. Ferd Swaney school public hearing. Mr. Bezjak explained the financial and ancillary benefits of consolidating schools.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held after the regular meeting 7:35 p.m. to 8:50 p.m. for personnel.

AGENDA

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Swaney to adopt as presented.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 15, 2017.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Howard second by Dunham to pay the following bills and payroll for December 2017:

- 1.. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,330,803.74
2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$621,851.47
3. 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 pay bills through activity accounts as presented by building principals.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACT 1 MAILING

A motion was made by M Dunham second by Howard to approve Act 1 mailing at a cost not to exceed \$4,250.00

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CAPITAL PROJECT BILLS

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to pay \$27,710.00 through Capital Projects to Armor Sealcoat – Asphalt Sealer – AGHS and AL Wilson

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Howard to pay \$2,180.25 through Capital Projects to CCL Technologies, License Wireless Controller.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Krupa second by Swaney to pay \$5,747.10 through Capital Projects to CCL Technologies, Antennas, Patch Cable & Drops, License, etc.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to pay \$5,339.25 through Capital Projects to CCL Technologies, Antennas, Patch Cable & Drops, License, etc.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to pay \$10,704.60 through Capital Projects to CCL Technologies, Antennas, Patch Cable & Drops, License, etc.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

COSTARS

A motion was made by Krupa second by Colebank to purchase upgraded service equipment at a cost of \$21,338.00 through FireFly Computers (COSTARS Contract Number 003-385)

All members present voting in favor of motion.

SWRTB REPRESENTATIVE

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Colebank appoint Denise Sheetz to Southwest Regional Tax Bureau 2018 Representative for a one year term

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Krupa to appoint Ryan Porupski to Southwest Regional Tax Bureau 2018 Alternative Representative for a one year term

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

Nays: None

Abstain: Porupski

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

AWARD POSITION

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to award the following open 12-month Floating Secretary position according to SEIU Collective Bargaining Agreement and SEIU Floating Secretary MOU to Teresa Simon.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

COACHES

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to hire the following coaches for one year pending receipt of all proper documents as recommend by Athletic Director:

1. Middle Head Volleyball – Marissa Hart
2. Middle Assistant Volleyball – Bailey Powell
3. Middle Volunteer Assistant – Michelle Pergar
4. High School Baseball Assistant – Joe Barton
5. High School Baseball Volunteer Assistant – Steve Strange
6. Middle School Wrestling Volunteer Assistant – John Dennis

All members present voting in favor of motion.

SUBSTITUTES

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Swaney to add Emma Petrosky to the professional substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Krupa second by Howard to grant Anne-Marie Koss an extension of nonpaid leave of absence for the 2nd semester of 2017-2018 school year

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Swaney to grant Elementary Instructor Jennifer Hartman a leave of absence for approximately six weeks from December 1, 2018 – February 1, 2018
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to grant David Davison, Security – a nonpaid leave of absence commencing January 5, 2018 – January 15, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SABBATICAL

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to grant High School English Instructor Kim Swaney one (1) split term sabbatical commencing 2nd Semester - January 19, 2018 including First Semester 2018-2019 subject to submitting all required documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CONFERENCE

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Swaney to grant approval for two administrators and one teacher to attend the 2018 Pennsylvania Title I Improving School Performance (ISP) Conference being held at the Sheraton Station Square in Pittsburgh, PA from January 28-31, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$2,300 to be paid using Title I funds.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

FACILITY USE

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to grant use of AGHS Auxiliary Gym to AG Youth Wrestling – from November 13, 2017 to March 22, 2018 for wrestling practice; Megan Barton
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Howard to grant use of AG North Middle School Gym & Cafeteria for Middle School Dance on January 12, 2018; 8th Grade Parents
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Swaney to grant use of AG North Middle School Gym to Elite Youth Basketball for a one (1) day practice from January 14, 2018 to February 28, 2018;
Chris Myers
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to grant use of AGHS High School (Sundays) and (Monday or Wednesday) AG South Middle School Gym for Volleyball from January 2018 to May 2018 for practice; Michelle Pergar
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

STUDENT TEACHERS

A motion was made by Swaney second by M. Dunham to permit the following California University students permission to do student teaching as listed from January 22, 2018 – March 9, 2018:

1. Hannah Chapman –Kindergarten – Jennifer Kopas, AL Wilson
2. Sarah Mattis – Special Education – Sheri Ardabell, AL Wilson

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to permit the following California University students permission to do student teaching as listed from January 22, 2018 – May 4, 2018:

1. Kelly Dugan – 1st grade – Christine Robinson, Smithfield Elementary
2. Georganna Ferek – 4th grade – Elizabeth Fike, Smithfield Elementary
3. Aaron Stepanik - Math – Cindy Kopas, AG Senior High

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Howard to permit the following California University students permission to do student teaching as listed from March 12, 2018 – May 4, 2018:

1. Hannah Chapman – Special Education – Sheri Ardabell, AL Wilson
2. Sarah Mattis – Kindergarten – Jennifer Kopas, AL Wilson

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

President Myers announced the next regular meeting will be held on January 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Porupski to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.