

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2014 6:48 P.M. following Re-Organization meeting
GEORGE J. PLAVA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Doug Sholtis, Vice-president Michael Dunham, Secretary Edward Colebank, David Howard, John Kopas, Jeff Myers, and Janet Swaney

MEMBERS ABSENT: Treasurer Edward Andria, Ken Plisko

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

President Sholtis called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m. followed by roll call to which all present responded.

PUBLIC FORUM

Steve Corcoran – Rolling Thunder Chapter 5 thanks the Board, staff members and students of the District for their continued support in helping them, especially Sgt. Harman and the ROTC with posting of colors and honoring all soldiers past and present. They focus on making sure all soldiers come home and help those in need with food, bills, transportation etc.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 19, 2014 as presented. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

A motion was made by Dunham second by Myers to approve the following for December 2014:

1. Payroll, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$1,767,014.84
2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$141,440.32
3. Utilities, Capital Reserve and other bills due upon review by Superintendent and/or Controller

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACT 1

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to approve the Act 1 mailing at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

POLICY

A motion was made by Dunham second by Howard to approve the second reading of Policy # 828.1 Medicaid/Medicare and Private Health Insurance Fraud and Abuse.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

POSITIONS AWARDED

A motion was made by Swaney second by Colebank to award the following positions according to contract:

1. Louise Wesolowsky the 6 ½ hr cafeteria position at Friendship Hill
2. Allison Price the 2 hr cafeteria position at Masontown
3. Mark Jones the dayshift custodian position at AG South

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

CONFERENCE

A motion was made by Myers second by Howard to grant 2 Administrators and 4 staff member's permission to attend the Federal Funds Conference in Pittsburgh from January 26 -28, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

NEW HIRES

A motion was made by Swaney second by Myers to hire Ella McCourt as a 1 ½ hour cafeteria employee at George J. Plava Elementary School.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Myers to hire Robin Klink as a custodian with placement to be determined by the bidding process.

Ayes: Colebank, Myers, Dunham, Howard, Kopas, Swaney

Abstain: Sholtis

SUBSTITUTE

A motion was made by Myers second by Howard to add Robert Carrigan to the custodian substitute list.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

President Sholtis announced the next regular meeting will be held on January 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Friendship Hill Elementary School.

Attorney Lee Price thanks the Board for reappointing his firm and wishes them a happy holiday season.

A motion was made by Dunham second by Swaney to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.