# ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD - REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 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.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to enter into executive session for personnel and potential claim at 6:02 p.m.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by M. Dunham to resume meeting at 6:38 p.m. All members present voting in favor of motion.

President Myers announced an executive session was held on Monday, July 16, 2018 from 7:34 p.m. to 9:08 p.m. for, personnel, grievance, real estate and student confidentiality.

# **AGENDA**

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

Financial Items E. Motion 1 and 7 removed from agenda.

## **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Howard second by P. Dunham to approve minutes of the following meeting held on June 20, 2018 as presented.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

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

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

## **BILLS AND PAYROLL**

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Swaney to grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for July 2018:

- 1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$5,606,788.44
- 2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$1,276,721.04

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

#### **ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS**

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to accept activity accounts report as presented by building principals.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

## MILD AND JUICE PRODUCTS

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to award milk, juice, and diet tea products to the lowest bidders as set forth on the bid summary chart as presented.

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

Abstain: Krupa, Porupski

# **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to grant permission to pay the following Capital Project bill: Garland/DBS, Inc. – \$20,550.42 – AG High School roof project. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to grant permission to pay the following Capital Project bill: Garland/DBS, Inc. – \$276,245.57 – AG High School roof project.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to grant permission to pay the following Capital Project bill: Tuscano Maher Roofing, Inc. - \$148,275.00 – AG High School roof project. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to grant permission to pay the following Capital Project bill: Tuscano Maher Roofing, Inc. - \$144,180.00 – AG High School roof project. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to grant permission to pay the following Capital Project bill: Whitby Plumbing & HVAC. LLC -\$13,423.50 - AG High School - Crawl Space Abatement and Ventilation.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

#### ECKLES ENGINEERING - HIGH SCHOOL FRONT ENTRANCE

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to authorize Administration to proceed with Security Entry Plan Option 1 – Phase One of the High School Entry Project as prepared by Eckles Architecture and Engineering for the approximate cost of \$7,400. The Board of Directors authorizes the Superintendent of Schools, on behalf of the District and Board, to award the contract for Option 1-Phase One pursuant to Section 751(b.1) of the Pennsylvania Public School Code without soliciting competitive bids, provided the Superintendent of Schools complies with the quotation procedures set forth in Section 751(a.3) of the School Code.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

## **SECTION 125 PLAN**

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to adopt Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan for those Albert Gallatin Area School District employees who shall qualify as participants thereunder, effective July 1, 2018. Available Benefits include group medical insurance, cancer coverage, dental/vision, and medical expense reimbursement. American Fidelity will be the Plan's service provider for implementation. The appropriate officers and administrators are directed to execute any documents necessary to implement the Plan.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

None

### **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to approve first reading of Policy 226.1 Metal/Weapon Detection System/Devices.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

# **AWARD POSITIONS**

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to award the following position according to contract: Kindergarten at George J. Plava Elementary – Johnna Pleban All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to award the following position according to contract: Kindergarten at Smithfield Elementary – Heather Lux All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to award the following position according to contract: Kindergarten at Masontown Elementary – Jennifer Packroni All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by P. Dunham to award the following position according to contract: School Counselor at AG Senior High School – Ann Capozzi All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to award the following position according to contract: Special Education at AG South Middle School – M. Shea Fleenor All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to award the following position according to contract: Middle School Computer Applications at AGN/AGS Middle Schools – Merritt Stefancik All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to award the following position according to contract: Grade 2 AL Wilson Elementary – Leandra Dirda All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Howard to award the following position according to contract: Grade 1 at Friendship Hill Elementary – Ellen Conn All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to award the following position according to contract: Grade 2 at George J. Plava Elementary – Rachel Doman All members present voting in favor of the motion.

#### RESCIND MOTION

A motion was made by Franks second by Swaney to grant permission to rescind the creation of the Grade 2 position at Friendship Hill Elementary at July's meeting.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to grant Thomas Richnafsky a leave of absence from August 21, 2018 to approximately October 8, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### **NEW HIRES**

A motion was made by Porupski second by M. Dunham to hire Rebecca Taylor as Temporary Professional Employee for English Instructor at AG High School at Step 1.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to Hire Ashley Wroble as Temporary Professional Employee for Special Education Instructor placement to be determined at Step 3.

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

Nays: Krupa

A motion was made by Swaney second by M. Dunham to hire Lauren Smochinsky as Temporary Professional Employee for Special Education Instructor placement to be determined at Step 1. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Franks to hire Jillian Ciarrocchi as Temporary Professional Employee for district wide Elementary School Counselor at Step 2.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Krupa second by Porupski to hire Hillary Redman as Temporary Professional Employee for AG North Middle School Counselor at Step 1.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### **COACHES**

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to hire Mark Dunham, Coordinator for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received.

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

Nays: M. Dunham, Krupa

Mr. M. Dunham commented he is voting no in spite of the coaching experience the candidate has. Mrs. Krupa commented the district should adopt an anti-nepotism policy.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Colebank to hire Gary Pillar, Coordinator for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to hire Matt Rush, Assistant for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Colebank to hire Craig Hoone, Assistant for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to hire Tim Dye, Assistant for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Swaney to hire Zack Dillow, Volunteer for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Swaney to hire Hunter Moody, Volunteer for High School Football Coach for one season during the 2018-19 school year, pending all proper documents are received.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to hire Hunter Moody as Summer Conditioning Coach for one season during the 2018-2019 school year, pending all proper documents are received. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### RESIGNATION

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to accept the resignation of Pete Nace, Middle School Assistant Football Coach effective July 16, 2018.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

# **CONTRACT RENEWALS**

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to reappoint Lt. Colonel Wayne C. Sodowsky as the School District's Junior ROTC Senior Army Instructor for the term commencing August 11, 2018 and terminating midnight, June 6, 2019, pursuant to the terms and conditions of a written agreement, as presented. Compensation shall be equal to the Minimum Instructor Pay as from time-to-time established by the United States Army plus \$7,500.00 for extracurricular activities.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### **CONTRACT RENEWALS**

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Colebank to reappoint Sgt. First Class Barbara J. Harmon as a School District Junior ROTC Army Instructor for the term commencing August 26, 2018 and terminating midnight, August 25, 2019, pursuant to the terms and conditions of a written agreement, as presented. Compensation for JROTC Army Instructor shall be equal to the Minimum Instructor Pay as from time-to-time established by the United States Army plus \$5,000 for extracurricular activities. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

#### **CREATE POSITION**

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Swaney to create and post a 1/2 day Special Education Life Skills at AG South Middle School and 1/2 day Special Education Learning Support at Smithfield Elementary.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### SUBSTITUTE LIST

A motion was made by Howard second by M. Dunham to grant permission to add Stanley Misiewicz, Events Security and Security Substitute to 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 Colebank to grant permission to add Jeffrey Ramsey, Events Security to substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by P. Dunham to grant permission to add Earl Guthrie, Custodian and Bus Monitor to 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 Swaney to grant permission to add John Martinko, Custodian to substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### STUDENT TEACHER

A motion was made by Swaney second by Colebank to authorize California University student teacher placement as follows: October 15, 2018 to December 7, 2018: Jessy Madison – Special Education – Drew Dindl at AG South Middle School

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### **FACILITY USE**

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to grant permission to AG Youth Football use AG North Middle School Football Field and Concession Stand from July 23, 2018 to November 4, 2018 from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm for football practice, use to be scheduled with building principal; Nikki Mickens. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to grant permission to AG Youth Football use AG High School Football Field, concession stand and field house on August 25, September 2, October 6 and October 13, 2018 football games; Nikki Mickens.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

# **CONFERENCE**

A motion was made by Krupa second by Franks to grant permission to Joetta Britvich, Special Education Director to attend the 2018 PA Community of Transition Conference on July 25 to July 27, 2018 in State College, PA at a cost not to exceed \$900.00.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### **JROTC PROGRAM ACCESS AGREEMENT**

A motion was made by Colebank second by Krupa to approve JROTC Program Access Agreement between Albert Gallatin Area School District and Jefferson-Morgan School District, as presented. This is a one year Pilot Program wherein Jefferson-Morgan students will be permitted to participate in Albert Gallatin's JROTC Program.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

# ADVERTISE FOR AUCTIONEER

A motion was made by Krupa second by P. Dunham to authorize administration to solicit proposals for a state licensed auctioneer to advertise, market and conduct an auction sale of the old A.L. Wilson School Building, pursuant to Section 7-707(1) of the Public School Code.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

### E.I.F.S PANELS - AG NORTH

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to grant permission to move forward on AG North Middle Schools E.I.F.S. panels for a total cost of \$13,850.00 and will need to replace one commercial gutter and down spout to prevent further problems.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

#### **ADOURNMENT**

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School.

A motion was made by M. Dunham second by Colebank to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. All members present voting in favor of the motion.