

Albert Gallatin Area School Board – REGULAR MEETING

D. Ferd Swaney – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PUBLIC FORUM

- LTC Walsh - Landen Heeter – JRTOC – Medal of Heroism
- LTC Walsh - JRTOC – New York City trip.

III. SECRETARIAL

- A. Enter into executive session, if needed.
- B. An executive session was held on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 from 7:32 pm – 9.34 pm for personnel, real estate, collective bargaining and school safety and security.
- C. Adopt agenda as presented.
- D. Approve minutes of regular meeting held May 19, 2021.

IV. FINANCIAL

- A. Accept treasurer’s report including tax collections for May 2021 and preliminary financial statements as presented.
- B. Grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for June 2021:
 - 1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,440,587.57
 - 2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$560,631.43
 - 3. Cafeteria fund bills in the amount of \$54,790.89
- C. Accept activity accounts report as presented by building principals.
- D. Approve the following payments from the Capital Projects Fund:
 - 1. Eckles Architecture and Engineering \$3,000.00 for professional services through May 22, 2021 for the vestibule project.
 - 2. Garland/DBS Inc. \$120,352.04 invoice # 42785234983 for the district wide roofing projects (second payment application).
 - 3. H.F Lentz Company \$7,000.00 for engineering services provided in the replacement of fire alarm and secure vestibule project.
 - 4. All Campus Security \$14,591.04 for 24 cameras to be placed throughout district.Total Capital Projects: \$144,943.08
- E. Resolved, that the Board of Directors of Albert Gallatin Area School District, hereby adopts the General Fund Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 in the amount of \$62,752,298 as presented and authorizes that a tax on real estate be levied at the rate of 15.592 mill. Based on an assessed value of \$50,000 an increase of 0.657 mills, would represent an increase of \$32.85 in annual real estate taxes billed by the School District. All Act 511 and other School Code Taxes will remain in effect at the same rate.
- ~~F. Resolved, that the Board of Directors of Albert Gallatin Area School District, hereby adopts the General Fund Budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 in the amount of \$62,752,298 as presented and authorizes that a tax on real estate be levied at the rate of 14.935 mills which represents a no mill increase of each \$100.00 assessed evaluation of all property taxable for school purposes located within the School District. All Act 511 and other School Code Taxes will remain in effect at the same rate.~~

- G. Approve Resolution authorizing the Homestead and Farmstead exclusion real estate assessment reduction for the Albert Gallatin Area School District's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 under the provisions of the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1, 2006), as presented.
- H. Grant permission to make all necessary budgetary transfers for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.
- I. Approve the following depositories for the 2021-2022 school year:
 - 1. First National Bank
 - 2. PSDLAF Fund (Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund)
 - 3. PLGIT – Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust
 - 4. United Bank
- J. As required by the affordable Care Act, authorize offering the Allegheny County Schools Health Insurance Consortium (ACSHIC) to uninsured employees of the Albert Gallatin Area School District.
- K. Grant permission to purchase Workers Compensation with Caputo Insurance Agency as broker of record, provided the policy is written by Synergy Comp Insurance Co; at a premium of \$134,394 and an additional fee of \$24,000 for safety loss.
- L. Grant permission to purchase Insurance Package (Property, Liability, Auto, Inland Marine, Crime, School Leaders E&O, and Umbrella coverage) with Utica National Ins. Co. at a premium of \$132,738 which includes an increase to \$500,000 the Cyber Liability Limit.
- M. Approve purchase of IP voice system handset upgrades through Advent Communications at a cost of \$107,951.67 to be paid using ESSER II funds. Costs include (325) J139 IP classroom phones, (90) J189 Administration phones, (415) power supply units, (415) IP upgrade licenses, and programming labor. Pricing is per PEPPM contract.
- N. Approve purchase of network upgrade for the D. Ferd Swaney building through CCL Technologies at a cost of \$57,989.00 to be paid by Capital Projects. Cost includes necessary equipment, licensing, and engineering labor. Pricing is per Costars 2021 contract.
- O. Approve installation of five pair of 3" sleeves with standard brass plates including brass cover plates at both North and South Middle School gymnasiums at a cost of \$8,800.00 by Gaefke Installations, LLC. (2 will be installed at North and 3 will be installed at South). Funded through Capital Projects.
- P. Approve the proposal of Daniels Excavation to perform asphalt patching of approximately 1,271 sq. ft. at Smithfield Elementary at a cost of \$7,530.00. Funded through Capital Projects.

V. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

VI. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

- A. Approve third reading of revised Policy 201.1 Early Admissions of Students.
- B. Approve the Act 44 Report as presented.
- C. Approve high school ATSI and TSI plans as presented.

VII. PERSONNEL

- A. Accept the retirement of Linda Mongell, Speech Instructor effective June 11, 2021.
- B. Accept the retirement of Melinda Courie, High School Instructor effective June 30, 2021.
- C. Accept the resignation of Ephraim Yoder, Special Education Instructor effective June 11, 2021.
- D. Accept the retirement of Marsha McMinn, Special Education Instructor effective end of 2021-22 school term.
- E. Hire Diana Bossart as 12 month High School Secretary pending receipt of all proper documents; start date to be determined by the Superintendent.
- F. Create and post one additional Maintenance/Sewage position.

- G. Award the following positions according to contract:
 - 1. Stacey Bill the 12 month Business Office/Federal Programs Secretary position
 - 2. Norma Kmetz the 4.5 hour Cafeteria Position at AL Wilson Elementary School
 - 3. Sherry Wilson the 4.5 hour Cafeteria Position at AG High School
 - 4. Tina Machosky the 4.25 hour Cafeteria Position at AG High School
 - 5. Alexis McLaughlin the 4 hour Cafeteria Position at AG High School
 - 6. Autumn Dziak the 3 hour Cafeteria Position at AG High School
 - 7. Stephanie Baker - Grade 2 at AL Wilson Elementary – one year only
 - 8. Ashley Winkler – Grade 5 at Friendship Hill Elementary – one year only
 - 9. Crystal Eicher – Grade 3 at AL Wilson Elementary – one year only
 - 10. Heather Lux – Grade 2 at Smithfield Elementary – one year only
 - 11. Megan McGill – Grade 5 Masontown Elementary
 - 12. Jennifer Barber – Grade 2 Masontown Elementary
 - 13. Larry Flowers – ½ day Lifeskills and ½ day Special Education at AG South Middle School
 - 14. Tom Corazzi – Physical Education Instructor – Summer Advancement/Recovery Course
 - 15. Laura Chapman – Grade 1 at George J. Plava Elementary – one year only
 - 16. Beth Hines – Special Education at AL Wilson Elementary
 - 17. Alison DeMarco – Canvas LMS/Remote Teacher Support Position
- H. Grant permission to eliminate the following positions for the 2021-22 School Year:
 - 1. Special Education Position - ½ day AG North Middle School, ½ day AG South Middle School
 - 2. Special Education Position - AG High School
 - 3. Special Education Position – ½ day Friendship Hill Elementary, ½ day George J. Plava Elementary
- I. Grant permission to create and post the following positions for the 2021-22 School Year:
 - 1. Special Education/ESL position at AG High School
 - 2. Special Education position at ½ day Friendship Hill Elementary, ½ day Masontown Elementary - one year only
 - 3. Autistic Support position at Masontown Elementary
 - 4. Special Education position at AG High School – one year only
- J. Hire the following High School Coaches for one season during the 2021-22 school year, pending receipt of all proper documents. If the activity commences and is subsequently halted prior to its conclusion, the salary to be paid shall be prorated.
 - 1. Assistant Girls Basketball - Jason Kurek
 - 2. Assistant Girls Basketball – Courtney Haines

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Grant permission to add the following to the substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents.
 - Non Professional – Jennifer Walters, Beth Guty
 - Professional – Linda Nick

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- A. The next regular meeting will be held on July 21, 2021 in the D. Ferd Swaney cafeteria.
- B. Motion to adjourn.