

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
D. FERD SWANEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Paul Dunham, Vice-president Betty Moser, Treasurer Ken Plisko, Secretary Edward Colebank, Michael Dunham, David Howard, Jeff Myers, Doug Sholtis, Janet Swaney

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Carl Bezjak, Assistant Superintendent Beth Hutson, Controller Denise Sheetz and Attorney Tony Giglio

President P Dunham 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.

PUBLIC FORUM

Friendship Hill Principal Amy Przybylinski introduces first grader Hayden Nicholson. Hayden won the District coloring contest for Fayette County Earth and Recycling competition. Fayette County Commissioners came to Friendship Hill for pictures with her and her art work is displayed in the Fayette County Court House. She received a standing ovation and congratulations from the board.

Charity Grimm Krupa approached the board for public comment. Mrs. Swaney said she could not speak since she did not follow the board's policy and sign up five days in advance. Ms. Krupa stated that was fine as long as it applies to everyone.

Mr. Bezjak stated Mrs. Przybylinski was permitted to speak, as we reserve time during public forum to honor our students.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President P Dunham announced an executive session was held on Monday, May 15, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:13 p.m. for personnel, Collective Bargaining negotiations and student confidentiality.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to approve minutes of regular meeting held on April 19, 2017 as presented.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Myers second by Swaney to accept the treasurer's report including tax collections for April 2017 and preliminary financial statements as presented.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Sholtis to authorize payment of bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$1,862,615.73.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Myers second by Sholtis to authorize payment of current month general fund bills in the amount of \$2,825,750.95

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to approve payment of bills through activity accounts as presented by building principals.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

2017-18 PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET

A motion was made by Plisko second by Howard to approve the proposed final 2017-2018 general fund budget in the amount of \$53,273,415.00 subject to change upon final passage.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None

2017 GRADUATION LIST

A motion was made by M Dunham second by Colebank to approve the 2017 graduation list.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Swaney second by Sholtis to accept the following retirements:

1. Rosemary Novotny -Instructor effective with the end of 2016-17 school term
2. John Chetosky – custodian effective December 12, 2017 last day
3. Janet Sessler – Elementary Instructor effective with the end of 2016-17 school term

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mr. Bezjak thanks them for their many years of service and wishes them a happy retirement.

A motion was made by Howard second by Myers to accept the resignation of Julie Hallas security guard effective May 28, 2017.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Plisko second by Howard to terminate Debbie Everly as Bus Monitor effective May 1, 2017.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Plisko second by Myers to hire the following Summer Advancement/Recovery Course Instructors from June 12 – 27, 2017:

1. Tom Corazzi –Physical Education
2. Bethany Chicarelli – Monitor
3. Jerome Vicinelly – Physical Education if needed
4. Karla Lent - College/Career Readiness

5. Megan Smiley – College/Career Readiness if needed

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by M Dunham second by Swaney to grant Carol Panek a nonpaid leave of absence from April 28 – May 15, 2017.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Myers second by M Dunham to grant Anne-Marie Koss a nonpaid leave of absence for the 1st semester of 2017-2018 school year.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Plisko second Swaney to hire the following High School extra-curricular activity sponsors for the 2017-18 school year:

1. Interact Club – Aimee Parquette
2. Academic League – Eric Nuttall
3. Math Team – Julia Pillar
4. Mock Trial – Eric Nuttall
5. Future Business Leaders of America Sponsor – Karla Lent
6. Honor Society – Tammy Cowsert
7. Yearbook – Bethany Chicarelli
8. Student Council – Bethany Chicarelli and Christy Wolfe as Co-Sponsors
9. Book Club – Alison Vandegrift
10. Junior/Senior Activities Sponsor – Kristi Kaiser
11. Senior Class Project/College Career Sponsor – Amanda Martin
12. Department Heads:
 - A. Math – Cindy Kopas
 - B. English – Cindy Halfin
 - C. Science – Mike Dunham
 - D. Social Studies – Jerry Quinn
 - E. Electives/Specialists – Karla Lent
13. Work Release/Study Sponsor – Ken Musko
14. Video Productions – Eric Nuttall
15. Drama (plays) – Toby Maykuth
16. Musical (as per Board budget) – Toby Maykuth

Ayes: Plisko, Swaney, Colebank, Myers, M Dunham (all but 12 C), Howard, Moser, Sholtis, P Dunham

Nays: None

Abstain: M Dunham on 12 C only

A motion was made by Colebank, second by Howard to hire the following Middle School extra-curricular activity sponsors for the 2017-18 school year:

1. Yearbook Sponsors – Taylor Bella at North
2. Student Council Sponsors – Taylor Bella at North
3. Math Counts Sponsors – Taylor Bella and Katie Armstrong, Co-Sponsors at North
4. Newspaper Sponsors – Katie Armstrong at North; Sherry Wilson at South
5. Band Directors – Mary Kendall at South; Gail Diamond at North

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Swaney second by Sholtis to hire the following Head Teachers for the 2017-18 school year

1. North Head Teacher – Tiffany Duncan
2. South Head Teacher – Dave Dunham

Ayes: Swaney, Sholtis, Colebank, Myers, M Dunham (on # 1 only), Howard, Moser, Plisko, P Dunham

Nays: None

Abstain: M Dunham (on # 2 only)

ELIMINATE/CREATE

A motion was made by Howard second by Swaney to eliminate the following positions:

1. Kindergarten at AL Wilson
2. Grade 5 at AL Wilson
3. Grade 1 at F Hill
4. Grade 3 at F Hill
5. Grade 5 at F Hill
6. Kindergarten at George Plava
7. Grade 2 at George Plava
8. Grade 5 at George Plava
9. Kindergarten at Masontown
10. Kindergarten at Smithfield
11. Grade 2 at Smithfield

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mr. Myers questions the motion and Mr. Bezjak replied this is due to reduction in enrollment and class sizes are subject to change and they could be put back if the need arises.

A motion was made by M Dunham second by Sholtis to create the following positions:

1. Grade 4 at F Hill
2. Grade 3 at George Plava
3. Grade 1 at George Plava
4. Grade 3 at Smithfield

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

FACILITY USE

A motion was made by Howard second by Myers to grant use of AGHS facilities for Passing Summer Camp on July 22, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Shawn Liotta.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to grant use of AGHS facilities for Youth Football Summer Camp from July 24 – 25, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Shawn Liotta.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Myers second by Moser to grant use of Friendship Hill facilities from August 31, 2017 to May 24, 2018 on Thursday's from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Twirl Team practice; Rhonda Daniels.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Colebank to grant permission to hold Middle School Cheerleading Camp at AGHS from July 17, 20, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Nikki Trump. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Colebank second by Howard to grant use of Friendship Hill facilities for Elementary Basketball Cheerleading practice from September 1, 2017 to November 17, 2017 on Friday's from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Rhonda Daniels. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Sholtis second by Myers to grant permission for the placement of grave marker/stone and ceremony to be held for Pvt. William McClelland on the George J. Plava Elementary School property by the NE Ohio Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution; L. Steven Hinson, President of the NE Ohio SAR Chapter. All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SUBSTITUTES

A motion was made by Colebank second by Myers to add the following substitutes pending receipt of all proper documents:

1. Paul Nace – Custodian
2. Thomas Broadwater – security/events

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

STUDENT COMPETITION

A motion was made by Plisko second by Howard to grant Karla Lent Instructor and one student permission to attend the FBLA National Competition in Anaheim, CA from June 29 – July 2, 2017 at a cost of \$4,006.00.

Ayes: Plisko, Howard, Colebank, Myers, Moser, Sholtis

Nays: M Dunham, Swaney, P Dunham

Ms. Swaney stated she is voting no due to financial reasons and we need to look more closely at approving trips with Mr. P Dunham agreeing.

AL WILSON REPAIRS

A motion was made by Plisko second by Swaney to grant permission to enter into agreement with CS&E to complete AL Wilson HRU#2 Repairs according to their proposal dated April 26, 2017 at a cost of \$8,400.00.

All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

President P Dunham announced the next regular meeting will be held on June 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School.

A motion was made by Myers second by Howard to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. All members present voting in favor of the motion.