

Albert Gallatin Area School Board – Regular Meeting Minutes

D. Ferd Swaney Cafeteria

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Ryan Porupski, Treasurer Eric Miller, Secretary Betty Moser, Carla Franks, David Howard, Carl Planiczka, Doug Sholtis

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice President Paul Dunham, Jamey Capozza

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Christopher Pegg, Business Manager Vincent Belczyk, Solicitor Lee Price

Porupski called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM followed by a moment of Silent Meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance after which all present responded to roll call.

PUBLIC FORUM

George Plava Elementary Principal Sharon Lepri introduced Mrs. Brenda Moats, Amvets Ladies Auxiliary representative. Mrs. Moats presented information on the projects that are held for K-12 students in the district. She introduced a student from Mrs. Doman's 2021-2022 class from George J. Plava Elementary. Bianca Marks was the National Amvets Americanism first place local and state winner and second place in the nation winner for her poster and essay.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held on Monday, November 14, 2022 from 6:43 pm – 7:55 pm for personnel and collective bargaining.

ADODT AGENDA

A motion was made by Sholtis second by Planiczka to adopt agenda to as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to approve minutes of the regular meeting held on October 19, 2022.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

FINANCIAL ALL ITEMS A-G

A motion was made by Sholtis second by Franks to approve all items A – G in Financial.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Accept the treasurer's report including tax collections for October 2022 and preliminary financial statements as presented.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

B. Grant permission to pay the following bills and payroll for November 2022:

1. Bills, utilities, insurance and contractual obligations paid at the end of the previous month in the amount of \$2,982,085.48
2. Current month general fund bills in the amount of \$574,509.10
3. Cafeteria fund bills in the amount of \$112,632.51

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

C. Accept activity account report as presented by building principals.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

D. Grant permission to pay the following through Capital Projects:

- a. Printscape Imaging and Graphics \$109.32, payment for Fire Alarm Plan review application of Vestibules project.
- b. Advantage Sport & Fitness, Inc. \$23,325.00, payment for equipment for high school fitness room.
- c. Equiparts Corp. \$29,700.00, payment for wall mount refrigerated bottle fillers.
- d. H.F. Lentz \$1,125.00, payment for fire alarms, PA and addition of secure entrance vestibules.

Total Capital Projects: \$54,259.32

HVAC CONTROLS DISTRICT UPGRADES

E. Approve Combustion Services & Equipment Co. phase 2 upgrades to HVAC Controls for the remaining schools in district at a cost of \$624,675.00. Proposal was price based upon the Omnia National IPA contract #R170602. Proposal was registered with Omnia Partners and has received certified proposal #R170602-313306. CS&E is an active member of the Omnia Partners program and will be responsible for complying with the National IPA rules and regulations including monthly submission of all the documents. Funds paid by ESSERS.

SPYGLASS GROUP

F. Approve the payment of \$16,527.81 to The SpyGlass Group based on the recommendations resulting from the audit of the district's telecommunications invoices. Payment is to be made immediately following the confirmation of all changes implemented resulting from the audit and confirmation of the Superintendent.

ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

G. Award the proposal to perform an asbestos abatement at Smithfield Elementary School to American Contracting Enterprises, Inc at a cost of \$5,427.00. Funds are to be provided by the Capital Projects Fund.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None

REVISED SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion was made by Moser second by Miller to approve the revised 2022-23 School Calendar as presented. All members present voting in favor of motion.

POLICIES

A motion was made by Miller second by Sholtis to table the motion to review and discuss Policy 200 Enrollment in District. All members present voting in favor of motion.

RESIGNATION

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Howard to accept the resignation of Bobbi Jo Hice, Cafeteria employee effective October 28, 2022. All members present voting in favor of motion.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Moser second by Miller to grant Leya Fecek, Elementary Instructor a leave of absence extension through December 5, 2022. All members present voting in favor of motion.

FMLA

A motion was made by Howard second by Planiczka to grant Kristine Speight, Speech Instructor an intermittent FMLA to commence on November 1, 2022.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

NEW HIRE

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to hire Buffy Coffman as 3.75 hour cafeteria employee at AG North Middle School effective October 21, 2022.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

AWARD POSITIONS

A motion was made by Moser second by Miller to award Terri Handlin the 3 hour cafeteria employee at AL Wilson Elementary School.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Franks to award Jacob Magerko the Technology Education Instructor position at AG South Middle School.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

COACHES

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Howard to approve Christie Eicher and Justin Moccaldi as Volunteer Swim Coaches for one season during the 2022-23 school year, pending receipt of all proper documents.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Miller to hire/rehire the following coaches for one season, pending receipt of all proper documents.

1. Mike Simon – assistant high school wrestling
2. Harley Constable – volunteer high school assistant wrestling
3. Jeff Rush – head middle school wrestling

All members present voting in favor of motion.

VOLUNTEER DRAMA CLUB

A motion was made by Howard second by Miller to approve Chaz Berkshire as volunteer staff member for the Drama Club.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

CREATE AND POST CLUB SPONSOR AND DEPARTMENT HEAD

A motion was made by Franks second by Sholtis to create and post High School Diversity Club Sponsor.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Howard to create and post High School Special Education Department Head.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

SUBSTITUTE LIST

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Franks to grant permission to Grant permission to add the following to the substitute list pending receipt of all proper documents. Professional: Heather Jack

All members present voting in favor of motion.

FACILITIES USE

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to grant permission to AG Middle School Band to use the AG North Gym and Cafeteria on November 18, 2022 from 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm for dance for AG North Students only; Mary Kendall

All members present voting in favor of motion.

A motion was made by Howard second by Miller to grant permission to AG Youth Wrestling to use High School Gym and Cafeteria on December 10, 2022 from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm for Wrestling Tournament; Jeff Hillyard
All members present voting in favor of motion.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN 2022

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to approve the revised Emergency Operations Plan for the emergencies and disasters Resolution #1207-2022.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

STA TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Howard to approve extension of the Student Transportation Agreement between the District and Student Transportation, Inc. dba STA of Pennsylvania, Inc. of 1370 Washington Pike, Suite 505, Bridgeville, PA, as presented.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

PASS ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION GUIDE

A motion was made by Howard second by Sholtis to approve the purchase of the PASS Assessment and Intervention Guide at \$4.00 per student quote.

Ayes: Howard, Sholtis, Planiczka

Nays: Franks, Moser, Miller, Porupski

Motion Fails

SEIU COVID PAYMENT MOU

A motion was made by Moser second by Franks to approve covid payment to confidential secretaries under the same terms and conditions of SEIU support staff.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER BONUS

A motion was made by Franks second by Moser to approve day to day substitute teachers, who work a minimum of 100 days in the 2022-23 school term, receiving a bonus of \$1,000 to encourage the greater availability of day to day substitute teachers. Payment to be made at the conclusion of the school term.

All members present voting in favor of motion.

ADJOURNMENT

The Re-Organization meeting and Work Session will be held on Monday, December 5, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the D. Ferd Swaney cafeteria. The regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm in D. Ferd Swaney cafeteria.

Superintendent Pegg wished the AG School District staff, students and families a very Happy Thanksgiving.

A motion was made by Franks second by Miller to adjourn the meeting 6:18 PM.

All members present voting in favor of motion.