

Unadopted Minutes
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Albany Area Schools – ISD #745
April 10, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hansen at 8:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Paulsen, Winkels, Hansen, Seiler, Gersch, Dirkes, Kreuzer, Kunstleben

Late: None Absent: None

3. Public Comment Period

- No public comments

4.0 Approvals

4.1 AGENDA—Additions or Deletions

4.2 Previous Meeting Minutes Motion by Gersch, seconded by Kruezer to approve the prior minutes from 3/27/13.

Carried Unanimously

4.3 Expenditures

The following checks were issued in paying claims: Wire transfers and checks 78020-78235.

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01	General Fund	\$681,485.56
02	Food Services	\$58,467.33
04	Community Services	\$32,888.23
08	Scholarships	\$400.00

Motion by Winkles, seconded by Seiler to approve expenditures with the exception of check #78063.

Carried Unanimously

Motion by Winkels to approve check #78063, seconded by Gersch.

Seiler abstained. Carried Unanimously

4.4 March Cash Flow

Motion by Winkles, seconded by Seiler to approve the March cash flow.

Carried Unanimously

5. Consent Agenda

AFT: Scott Buntje, 2013-2014 Activities Director

Leave of Absence: one

Donations:

\$ 337.00	Albany Apothecary, Senior High Science class to Science Museum
50.00	Anonymous, Family Outreach Program
800.00	CMCU for Albany Area CE Slow Pitch Softball shirts

Motion by Winkles, second by Gersch to approve the consent agenda.

Supported by all present

6. Education Report

6.1 Student Representative Report

- Belle Kunstleben reported on the upcoming prom.

6.2 Purple Pride

- Knowledge Bowl team recognized for accomplishments.
- Jazz band performed very well at last week's concert.
- The Robotics team season concluded this week and had a very good year.
- Personal Finance Team under the guidance of Al Amdahl is having an excellent year.

- Albany Elementary Wakanheza Council organized a very successful food drive for our local food shelf the last week in March. They made posters, provided boxes for the collections and were in charge of overseeing the project.
- Jeremy Willenbring's class sent their video in for the PSA Video Contest about Bullying in Schools and took 2nd place.
- Early Childhood 2013-14 Registration Night, Thursday, 4/11/2013
- As of Friday 4/5/13 --121 Kindergarten Registrations (177 eligible) 68 Kindergarten Enrichment (15 SE students)

7. Unfinished Business

7.1 Policy 410 Criminal Background Check

- Administrative team recommends an October 1st date for notification of volunteers (was September 1st). This is the first reading of this policy.

Motion by Winkles, seconded by Paulsen to approve the change in the date for the background check for upcoming 2nd reading.

Carried Unanimously

7.2 Skid Loader Purchase

Motion by Seiler, seconded by Paulsen to approve the purchase of the skid loader from Arnold's Equipment.

Carried Unanimously

7.3 Quit Claim Deed on Farming Property

- Discussion took place regarding the deeding of the Rea (Farming) property discussed in prior board meetings. Board discussed deeding the neighboring property.

Motion by Gersch, seconded by Dirkes to approve the quit claim deed of the property.

Carried Unanimously.

7.4 Levy and Bond Discussion

- Superintendent Dooley discussed the impacts of a rate increase on bonds on a 20 year amortization for capital improvements to the Avon and Albany Schools. Discussion took place regarding the improvement projects and potential impact with different scenarios and different dollar amounts for a potential bond. The amount of the bond will be based on the prioritization of the needs assessment.

7.5 Negotiation Update with C-CSP

- Meeting was postponed. Next meeting scheduled for 4/15/2013 at 6:00.

7.6 Negotiation Update with AFT

- Initial meeting was held on 4/10/13. Additional dates identified, ground rules set. Next meeting is scheduled for 7:00 on 4/18/2013.

8. New Business

8.1 Audit Service Bids

- The bids were discussed for audit services. Sue Clemen reported on the bids for services and recommends to the District to utilize the services of Schlenner Wenner.

Motion by Winkles, seconded by Dirkes to enter into a contract with Schlenner Wenner & Co CPA.

Carried Unanimously.

9. Board Committee Reports

9.1 Stearns County Collaborative Report

Member Kreuzer reported on the 3/27/13 meeting. The alcohol subcommittee is working on a mission and vision statement. Nominations were taken for board members with incumbents winning the positions. Superintendent Dooley commented on the LCTS program "a moment in

time” which will generate funds for the collaborative and will flow to the county schools. The next meeting is scheduled for 9/25/13 at 1:00.

9.3 Legislative Report

Chair Hansen reported on the meeting held on 4/9/13. Discussion was held on the financial deficit and membership decrease. SEE is also looking to rework the fee structure. Continual messaging at the Capital was discussed where there will continue to be lobbying efforts for equity in education.

There was more of a departure from the governor’s plan during yesterday’s hearing. The House Bill had a 2% increase in per student funding. The bill also raised Kindergarten weighting in the formula and is a step toward all day/everyday funding for Kindergarten. The House bill also had some equalization effort for funding and an encouraging step.

The Senate bill will be presented on 4/11/13. The next SEE meeting will be held on 4/19/13.

10. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Dooley discussed a lease agreement for a handicapped accessible bus.

Superintendent Dooley requested the approval of the lease for a total of \$65,786.75 + \$2,111.25 for finance charge. Payments are scheduled for \$22,625 per year for three years.

Motion by Kruezer, seconded by Paulsen to approve the bus lease.

Carried Unanimously.

11. Adjournment

Agenda completed at 8:49 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Paulsen, seconded by Winkles.

Carried Unanimously

Dean Dirkes, Clerk

Steven Dooley, Superintendent