

Unadopted Minutes
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Albany Area Schools – ISD #745
August 5, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Winkels at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Winkels, Gersch, Dirkes, Kreuzer, McLachlan Late: Hansen Absent: Seiler

3. Agenda- Additions or Deletions

- Item 11 will be the superintendent evaluation (closed)
- Item 12 will be Adjournment

4.0 Public Forum

5.0 Approvals

5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes Motion by Gersch, seconded by Dirkes to approve the prior minutes from the July 1, 2015 and the minutes from the Work Session on July 15, 2015

Supported by all present

5.2 Cash Flow Report and Budget to Actual

Motion by Gersch, seconded by Kreuzer to approve the June Cash Flow Report.

Supported by all present

6. Consent Agenda

AFT: Lori Young, overload class, David Herdan, Band Teacher 6-8 grade
Leslie Thesing, Lane Change BA+45 to MA

Adm: Steve Stromme, Contract after retirement

LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE: Arin Spindler

AESP: Janine Welle, Hot Lunch Clerk, Bernice Egan, Cook's Helper
Richard Backus, Bus Driver, Debra Otte, Van Driver

Extra Curricular: Annie Anfinson, Volleyball Coach 8th Gr, Alexander Evan, Football Coach, Jr High
Dana Crumley, Swimming Assistant Coach

Community Education/Additional Services:

Kids Company: Gracen Eveslage **LOA: Three**

Resignations/Retirement: Jesse Lovelace, effective September 30, 2015
Kristina Kunstleben, effective July 30, 2015
Angie Cooper, effective August 1, 2015
Tiffany Miley, effective July 20, 2015
Gary McPadden, retirement effective September 1, 2015

Donations:

\$ 3,696.00	Albany Elementary Student Council, Projectors R#51742
1,499.08	Albany Student Activities (CC & Track), Warm ups R#51742
1,899.00	Albany Apothecary, Projectors for Albany Elementary R#51765
140.00	Albany Baseball Association, HUDL Services R#51765
99.00	Dennis & Carol Haraldson, Jim Stueve Scholarship R#51779
50.00	Anonymous, Family Outreach Program R#51802

Expenditures:

The following checks were issued in paying claims: Wire transfers and checks 84236—84457

01 General Fund	\$956,147.60
02 Food Services	\$6,121.58
04 Community Services	\$45,383.49
07 Debt Redemption	\$108,723.75
08 Scholarships	\$50.00

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

Supported by all present

7. Reports

7.1 Purple Pride

- Greg Johnson and Ann Schultz recognized the efforts of the custodial staff. Great job in preparing the facilities for fall classes.
- Ann Schultz recognized for the Kids Company Staff and their activities and events. Great job!

7.2 Data Reports-Secondary Building

- Tim Wege reviewed the secondary school work. One of the goals was to create one common assessment. Growth goals were discussed among the different areas of study.
- Reading goals were discussed and improvements have been made (STAR 360, MCA Reading Scores-planning, reading scores increased by 7% in 7th and 8th grade).
- Continued work with reading strategies (Step up to Writing) has been good for our students.
- Schoology has been a part of our teaching methods. MCA scores have increased and many scores are above the state average.

7.3 Data Reports-Albany Elementary

- Ann Schultz outlined this year's goals (including reading scores-above state averages, math goals have been attained, technology updates, etc...).
- Key Activities: PLC Meetings, Grade Level Team Meetings, STAR 360 program and Data Retreat.
- Goals for Math, Reading and Technology were presented to the Board.

7.4 Data Reports-Avon Elementary

- Avon Staff (BLT) outlined this year's plans and introduced Sue Jenkins, the new Avon Elementary Principal.
- Goals were to increase reading scores by 5%. Gains were made but not to the 5% goal.
- Math goals were to increase by 5%. The results were similar to last year's results.
- Increase in technology use was a goal for this year and progress has been made.
- Observations: More clarity of standards, small group instruction, math fact benchmarks, technology improvements and additional support for literacy are priorities moving forward.

7.5 Transportation Update

- Report from Doug Konz. Grounds: The lawns look very good. May need to replace a mower for our grounds and hills. Weed control has been good and may change weed control application from May to August. Fields have been dragged once a day which has made our grounds safer and has helped weed control. The track has had issues with the heavy rains and sand deposits on our track. Snowplowing was minimal. New bleachers have been installed and this has taken a large amount of time from the transportation staff (Summer 2014). Konz suggested hiring a full time mechanic for the bus fleet. Further discussion will take place. Bus routes are out and Konz has been fielding calls on the routes.

8. Business

8.1 Student Representatives to Board

- Our staff has identified 3 representatives to attend the board meetings. The Board discussed the number of representatives that are on the School Board. There will be nominations and further discussions on this in the next month.

8.2 School Resource Officer

Motion by Kreuzer seconded by Gersch to approve the contract for the School Resource Officer.

Supported by all present

8.3 Brietbach Construction

- Further discussion will take place to for the construction management contract.

8.4 Special Meeting to Canvass the Election Results

Motion by Dirkes seconded by Hansen to set August 19th at 6 pm as the date for Special Meeting to Canvass the Election results.

Supported by all present

8.5 Review of Facilities

- Cassie Nentl addressed the board on our facility policies and procedures. The MSBA policy is recommended and speaks to community use of school facilities and supporting our local groups.

8.6 MSBA Membership

Motion by Hansen seconded by McLachlan to approve continued membership to MSBA.

Supported by all present

9. Board Committee Reports

Minutes available will be attached to Board Book

10. Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent Johnson spoke about the Solar Garden possibilities. Blattner Energy will run scenarios in regard to this and energy savings.
- Strategic Plan updates will take place in our September meeting.
- Upcoming meetings:
 - AFT- August 13th 6pm, August 27th (Negotiations)
 - August 17th, 8am Health and Safety
 - September 2, Board Meeting
 - September 8th, Stearns County Collaborative at 2 pm.
 - September 21, WCED in Paynesville
 - Sept 23, Stearns County Collaborative Meeting (Joint Powers Meeting)
 - September 16th (work session)

10.1 Referendum Updates

- The latest edition of the Albany Enterprise had more information about the referendum. The Enterprise has been very good to work with. The St. Cloud Times will run an additional article.
- Post cards will be delivered to our mailboxes about the referendum.
- Materials will be available at the Blattner Golf Tournament on Monday, August 10th.
- Board and staff representatives will present to Wells Concrete on August 6th.
- A School Reach message will be sent out on Sunday reminding voters to vote.

10.2 MSBA Conference

- The August conference was very good. Districts are encouraged to re-inforce the positive events occurring in the district. More students are taking ACT assessments which demonstrates increased student engagement.

Closed Session for Superintendent Evaluation

Motion to close the school board meeting for purpose of Superintendent Evaluation by Hansen, seconded by Gersch.

Supported by all present

Reopen the Meeting

Motion to adjourn the closed meeting and re-open the meeting by Hansen, seconded by Gersch.

Supported by all present

11. Superintendent Evaluation

- Superintendent Johnson's evaluation was discussed.

12. Adjournment

Agenda completed at 9:13 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Hansen, seconded by Kreuzer.

Supported by all present

Dean Dirkes, Clerk

Greg Johnson, Superintendent