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ALTOONA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting
District Board Room
809 7th Street West
June 6, 2016
6:30 p.m.

1. The Regular Meeting of the Altoona Board of Education was called to order by Board President, Robin Elvig at 6:31 p.m. in District board room.
2. Roll call was taken and the following were present and absent:
Robin E. Elvig, President
Helen S. Drawbert, Vice President; Absent
Michael J. Hilger, Clerk
Bradley D. Poquette, Treasurer
David A. Rowe, Member
Dr. Connie Biedron, Superintendent
Joyce M. Orth, Board Secretary
3. Reading of Public Notice. All posting requirements were met and posting places are noted: Altoona City Hall, Altoona Post Office, school district office, high school office, middle school office, and elementary school office.
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Rules for Meeting
6. Approval of Minutes. a. May 16, 2016 Regular Meeting. Motion by Rowe to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Hilger. Drawbert, absent; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
7. Public Participation. a. Non-Agenda items - public comment and concern. (1) Dave Rowe commented on graduation and relayed comments from others, noting in particular that he enjoyed the student-centered ceremony. Dave also shared an update related to foreign exchange students who have returned or will be returning to their homes. The marching band will perform at Cinder City Days. (2) Others also commented on graduation. (3) Robin Elvig recognized Jeff Pepowski for his 15 years of service to the district. b. Agenda items - public comment and concern. Ann Kline, addressed the board concerning the pending change in job description (11.d.). She suggested that the board consider changing the position to an assistant athletic director position.

8. Treasurer's Report. a. Approval of Checks for Payment. Motion by Rowe to approve General Fund checks totaling \$967,779.71 and Student Activity Fund checks totaling \$1,708.51 as presented, seconded by Hilger. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, absent; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
9. Introduction and Welcome. Student Representative to the Board, Emily Studinski was introduced and welcomed. Emily's two-year term will begin in September.
10. Information. **a. School Showcase.** (1) School Progress Updates. Principals, Jeff Pepowski, high school; Andrea Steffen, incoming intermediate school; and Joann Walker, elementary school reviewed their SLO (School/Student Learning Objectives) and reported on their progress meeting their goal in 2015/16. The number of evaluations completed, as well as progress with other initiatives were reviewed. Updates will be given by Gary Pszeniczny and Alan McCutcheon on June 20. **b. Committee Reports.** None. **c. General Information.** (1) Policy Discussion. Policy 133-Board Vacancies was discussed. The revision is required by July 1 as per Section 120.12(28). **d. President's Report.** (1) Board Workshop. The board workshop was confirmed for June 15. The session will begin at 8:30 a.m. Board members will read chapters 1-5 of Maximize Performance for discussion. (2) WASB Summer Institute. The Leadership Institute will be held in Green Bay on July 16. Topics to be addressed include school finance, effective board-superintendent teams, alternative teacher compensation, and financial assessment. If attending, board members will RSVP to Joyce by June 20. (3) Board Calendar 2016/17. The board calendar was reviewed. The calendar will be revised to accommodate a single regular meeting in August on August 15. See 11.e. **e. Superintendent's Report.** (1) My Learning Plan OASYS Training. Dr. Biedron gave an overview of the changes with Educator Effectiveness and the training she attended on June 2. My Learning Plan, a web-based system that manages all components of the evaluation process, replaces Teachscape. (2) Enrollment Update. Student enrollments as of May 12 were reviewed: elementary, 594; intermediate, 247; middle, 317; and high, 423 for a district total of 1581. (3) Summer Programs Update. The RAILS summer program began today with 135 students registered. (4) On Track for the Future! Building Projects Update. The current status of projects was reviewed. The demolition process began in the middle school building on May 31. Crews are also working on the infrastructure. The elementary school playground installation is scheduled for June 9-11. (5) Studer Education Update. Dr. Owen will present an update to the board on June 20. In addition, she is scheduled to work with the leadership team on June 21. (6) Other Meetings, News and Events (Items announced in this category are not intended for discussion). Scott Meyer is the new athletic booster president.
11. Board Action after Consideration and Discussion. a. Consider Resignation of Library Media Center Director. Motion by Rowe to accept the resignation of Shelly Pierson, library media center director, seconded by Poquette. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, absent; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0. b. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill Special Education Teacher Position. No action taken. c. Consider Recommendation for Summer Programs Employment. Motion by Poquette to approve the employment of Noah Druckrey to replace Laiken Peterson as RAILS aide for sessions 1 and 2, and to approve Jen Riepe as Jump Start teacher (7-8) as presented, seconded by Hilger. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, absent; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

d. Consider Job Description for Administrative Assistant – Athletic Director’s Office. Motion by Rowe to adopt the Administrative Assistant – Athletic Director’s Office job description as presented with a change to the Job Analysis section to reflect that the position provides service and support under the direction of the athletic director, seconded by Hilger. Drawbert, absent; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0. e. Consider Revised Board Calendar 2016/17. Motion by Poquette to revise the board calendar for 2016/17 to reflect only one board meeting in August on August 15, 2016 as discussed (10.d.(3)), seconded by Rowe. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, absent; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

12. Adjournment. Motion by Rowe to adjourn at 8:39 p.m., seconded by Hilger. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, absent; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

The next Regular Meeting of the Altoona Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the District board room.

Joyce M. Orth CAP, Board Secretary

District Clerk

Date

The vision of the Altoona School District, in partnership with our students, their families, and our community, is to build a foundation for life-long learning and the emotional well-being of our students. We are dedicated to offering large school opportunities with a small school approach.