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ALTOONA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting
District Board Room
809 7th Street West
July 18, 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 6:30 p.m. in the District board room.
2. Roll call was taken and the following were present:
Robin E. Elvig, President
Helen S. Drawbert, Vice President
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. June 20, 2016 Regular Meeting. Motion by Rowe to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Drawbert. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
7. Public Participation. a. Non-Agenda items - public comment and concern. None. b. Agenda items - public comment and concern. None.
8. Treasurer's Report and Business Services Report. a. Approval of Checks for Payment. Motion by Drawbert to approve General Fund checks totaling \$1,064,548.89 and Student Activity Fund checks totaling -\$4,934.91 as presented, seconded by Hilger. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. b. Approval of Treasurer's Report. Motion by Drawbert to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Rowe. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. c. Expenditures, Revenues and Cash Position. Expenditures and revenues as of July 13 were reviewed. The cash position graph (general fund 2011/12 to 2015/16) was also reviewed. d. State Aid Update. Mike Markgren, business manager, shared an overview of state aid and revenue limit, and the reasons for our state aid increase for 2016/17. Levy rate projections for 2017/18 through 2020/21 were also reviewed.

9. Information. **a. Committee Reports.** (1) Parks and Recreation Committee. Brad Poquette reviewed highlights from the June 27 meeting. Topics discussed include the removal of trees behind the North and Bement fields in Cinder City Park, and the Comprehensive Parks, Rec & Trails Master Plan. (2) Negotiations/Meet and Confer Committee. Committee chair, Mike Hilger presented the report from the July 12 meeting. The committee recommended that the board schedule a special meeting/work session to review salary comparisons and compensation proposals (closed session). A meeting was scheduled for July 26, starting at 8:00 a.m. **b. Policy Review.** (1) Series 100 Policies. The following were discussed: School Board Policy and Philosophy of Governance, 110-School District Mission, 111-School District Goals, 112-Shared Decision Making/Board Administration Relations, 112.1-Strategic Planning, 112.2-Continuous Quality Improvement, 120-School District Legal Status, 130-School Board Legal Status, 131-Board Member Elections, 132-Board Member Resignation/Removal from Office, 143-Consultants to the District, 151.1-Policy Dissemination, 151.2-Administration in Policy Absence, 154-Legislative Advocacy, 154-Rule-Legislative Advocacy Communications and Role of Liaison, 161-Board Member Authority, 163-Board Member Development Opportunities, 164-Board Member Compensation and Expenses, 165-Board Member Conduct/Ethics, 165.1-Board Member Conflicts of Interest, 166-Board Member Electronic Communications, 175-Annual and Special School District Meetings and 183-Voting Methods. (2) Policy 363.2. Policy 363.2 – Acceptable, Safe and Responsible Use of Technology Resources was discussed. (3) Academic Standards 2016/17. The 2016/17 Academic Standards were discussed. See 10.h. **c. Legislative Update.** (1) Appoint Legislative Liaison. Helen Drawbert was appointed as the Legislative Liaison. (2) Wisconsin Public Education Network, ESSA Webinar. No report. **d. President's Report.** None. **e. Superintendent's Report.** (1) On Track for the Future! Building Projects Update. The current status of projects was updated. The pupil services office is scheduled to move into their new office (former elementary school office) by the end of July. (2) Other Meetings, News and Events (Items announced in this category are not intended for discussion). The WASB review of employee handbooks has been completed. As the next step, the recommendations will be reviewed with the administrative team. The next meeting of the Rotary Club of Eau Claire will be held at the Altoona Elementary School on July 25. Dr. Biedron also mentioned the frequency of bus stops along Bartlett to the elementary school. The August newsletter will include information about bus stops.
10. Board Action after Consideration and Discussion. **a. Consider Resignation/Retraction of Business Teacher**. Motion by Rowe to accept the position retraction from Heidi Warren, as presented, seconded by Hilger. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. **b. Consider Resignation of High School Science Teacher**. Motion by Drawbert to accept the resignation of Wendy Nelson, high school science teacher, as presented, seconded by Poquette. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. **c. Consider Elimination of 15 ½ Hour per Week Athletic Director's Administrative Assistant Position**. Motion by Drawbert to eliminate the 15 ½ hour athletic director's administrative assistant position, seconded by Rowe. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. **d. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill Kindergarten Teacher Position for Limited Term 2016/17**. Motion by Drawbert to employ Amy Stuttgart as kindergarten teacher for limited term 2016/17 as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. **e. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill Special Education Paraprofessional Position for Limited Term 2016/17**. Motion by Poquette to employ Tamara Lattimore and Patricia Lenz to fill the special education paraprofessional position for limited term 2016/17 as recommended, seconded by Drawbert. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. **f. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill Business Teacher Position**. Motion by Drawbert to employ Kevin Fruit as business teacher starting in 2016/17 as recommended, seconded by Rowe. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. **g. Consider 66.0301 Agreement for Special Education Services for 2016/17**. Motion by Drawbert to approve the 66.0301 Agreement for 2016/17 with the Eau Claire Area School for Special Education services as presented, seconded by Rowe. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- h. Consider Adoption of Academic Standards for 2016/17. Motion by Rowe to adopt the 2016/17 Academic Standards as presented, seconded by Drawbert. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Rowe, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- i. Consider Price Increase for Regular Lunch Meals for 2016/17. Motion by Drawbert to approve the increase of \$.10 for regular lunch meals to \$2.40 for grades K-5 and \$2.55 for grades 6-12, as required, seconded by Poquette. Poquette, yes; Rowe, yes; Drawbert, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- j. Consider WASB Membership Renewal for 2016/17. Motion by Drawbert to approve the 2016/17 membership dues renewal in the amount of \$4,668 as presented, seconded by Rowe. Rowe, yes; Drawbert, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
11. Adjournment. Motion by Poquette to adjourn at 9:04 p.m., seconded by Hilger. Drawbert, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

The next Regular Meeting of the Altoona Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, August 15, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the District board room. (Please note: Only one board meeting is scheduled (per month) in July and August.)

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.