



School District of Altoona

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ALTOONA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting
District Board Room
1903 Bartlett Avenue
August 14, 2017
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. 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. Report of notice was presented. 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. July 10, 2017 Regular Meeting. Motion by Drawbert to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Rowe. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, abstain; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
7. Public Participation. a. Non-Agenda items - public comment and concern. (1) Dave Rowe announced that the engineering bid for the KB project was approved by the City Council. A report is expected in September. (2) Robin Elvig noted a TED Talk that addressed doing education differently. b. Agenda items - public comment and concern. None.
8. Treasurer's Report. a. Checks for Payment. Motion by Drawbert to approve General Fund checks totaling \$2,245,106.18 and Student Activity Fund checks totaling \$1,274.90, seconded by Rowe. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. b. Treasurer's Report. Motion by Hilger to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Drawbert. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. c. Expenditures, Revenues and Cash Position. Expenditures and revenues, and the cash position graph (general fund 2011/12 to 2016/17) as of August 9, 2017 were included in the packet.
9. Information. **a. School Showcase.** (1) PCL Model. Tara Betlach, K-12 instructional coaching director/interim elementary principal, shared an overview of the PCL Model, including the ten features, action steps, timelines, responsible staff and evidence of progress. Building level coaches, Teresa Druckrey and Terri Hanson were also in attendance and shared highlights from the July PCL Institute. Lori Weinmeister will also serve as a building coach.

(2) Curriculum Update. Andrea Steffen, curriculum director/4-5 principal, shared the curriculum update including goals for 2017/18 in the areas of ELA (English language arts), math, science and social studies. The status of course offerings maps, scope and sequence, and lesson pacing guides was also reviewed. Curriculum days will be held on August 31, November 20, January 26 and April 27. **b. Committee Reports.** (1) Negotiation/Meet & Confer Committee. The committee met on August 7 to discuss proposals for wage increases for staff. They also held meet and confer sessions with custodial/maintenance staff and a representative from the clerical/paraprofessional group. (2) Altoona Area Foundation. Board representative, Helen Drawbert reviewed the topics of discussion from the August 9 meeting. **c. General Information.** None. **d. President's Report.** (1) 2017 Fall Regional Meeting. The Fall Regional Meeting will be held on October 24 at the Florian Gardens. A preconference workshop will highlight implications of the 2017-19 state budget. **e. Superintendent's Report.** a. Comprehensive Literacy Institute. A district team consisting of Dr. Biedron, the principals, building level coaches, and teachers, Sarah Roff, Kim Erickson, Gary Clark, Kim Goettl, Sara Brahan, Rachael Drescher, Denise Madison and Bonnie Fagan attended the July 19-20 institute in Madison. Tara Betlach, received her certification as a Comprehensive Literacy Model Coach. b. Eggs & Issues, State of the District. Dr. Biedron shared district highlights at the July 21 Eggs & Issues session sponsored by the Chamber. The Eau Claire Area School District and Regis were also featured. c. Studer Conference, What's Right in Education. Dr. Biedron and Dan Peggs attended, and presented at, the Studer Education conference, August 1-2 in Chicago. Their session, Rolling Out Results from Board Room to Classroom, focused on how our student survey results were rolled out to students. d. Technology Professional Development Days. A professional development day with technology offerings for staff was held on August 10. Sessions are also scheduled for August 16-17. e. Back to School Inservice. The schedule for August 29-31 was included in packets. Board members are invited to attend the all staff breakfast and meeting on August 29, 7:45 – 10:30 a.m. f. GT Restructuring. Plans for restructuring delivery of gifted and talented services to students were reviewed. Services will be administered by building level liaisons under the direction of Alan McCutcheon, pupil services director. g. Equipment Purchases. Dr. Biedron reviewed equipment recommended for purchase (10.j. and 10.k.). The Daktronics scoreboard bid includes installation and training, as well as a marketing plan to help sell scoreboard ads. h. Other Meetings, News and Events. Upcoming dates were reviewed: August 21, school offices reopen; August 23, new student registration; August 23-24, new teacher orientation (luncheon on August 23, 11:45 am); September 5, ice cream social.

10. Board Action after Consideration and Discussion. a. Consider Resignation of 4-5 Grade Teacher. Motion by Drawbert to accept the resignation of Kelly Schirm, 4-5 grade teacher, as presented, seconded by Poquette. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- b. Consider Resignation of Food Service Employee. Motion by Drawbert to accept the resignation of Vickie Branter, food service, as presented, seconded by Rowe. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- c. Consider Resignation of Food Service Employee. Motion by Drawbert to accept the resignation of Elizabeth Wojcik, food service, as presented, seconded by Hilger. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- d. Consider Resignation of Dance Coach. Motion by Rowe to accept the resignation of Dana Lowder, dance coach, seconded by Poquette. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- e. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill 4-5 Teacher Position. Motion by Drawbert to employ Paul Henrichs as 4-5 grade teacher starting in the 2017/18 school year as recommended, seconded by Rowe. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- f. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill 4-5 Teacher Position. Motion by Rowe to employ Serena Baker as 4-5 grade teacher starting in the 2017/18 school year as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- g. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill Choral Music Teacher Position. Motion by Drawbert to employ Justin Ranek as choral music teacher as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- h. Consider Employment Recommendation to Fill Extracurricular Positions. Motion by Rowe to employ Jimmy Bremness, as high school assistant volleyball coach as recommended, seconded by Hilger. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Drawbert to employ Derek Sabby, as high school assistant football coach as recommended, seconded by Rowe. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Drawbert to employ Luke Oliver, as high school assistant football coach as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Rowe to employ Natasha Kosloski, as middle school volleyball coach as recommended, seconded by Drawbert. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Drawbert to employ Jay Mielke, as middle school volleyball coach as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Drawbert to employ Claire DiSera, as middle school volleyball coach as recommended, seconded by Rowe. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Drawbert to employ Tommy Auger, as middle school football coach as recommended, seconded by Rowe. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Motion by Rowe to employ Carrie Carlson, as middle school volleyball coach as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- i. Consider Proceeding with the District PI 26 ACP (Academic and Career Planning) Plan. Motion by Drawbert to proceed with the ACP Plan as presented, seconded by Hilger. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- j. Consider Recommendation for Purchase of School Nutrition Services Dishwasher. Motion by Drawbert to approve the bid from Streich Equipment Co, Inc. not to exceed \$41,669 as recommended, seconded by Poquette. Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- k. Consider Recommendation for Purchase of Scoreboards. Motion by Drawbert to approve the bid from Daktronics for indoor and outdoor scoreboards, not to exceed \$102,353 as recommended, seconded by Hilger. Drawbert, yes; Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- l. Consider 66.0301 Cooperative Contract with the Boyceville Community School District for Vision Impaired Services. Motion by Rowe to approve the 66.0301 Cooperative Contract with Boyceville School District for 2017/18 as presented, seconded by Hilger. Rowe, yes; Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
11. Closed Session as Per Section 19.85 (1) (c), (1) (e), (1) (f) - Wisc. Statutes. Motion by Drawbert to adjourn into closed session at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Rowe. Hilger, yes; Poquette, yes; Rowe, yes; Drawbert, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. a. Consider Closed Session Minutes for July 6, 2017; b. Presentation and discussion of information which if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to - 19.85 (1)(f); c. Consider Compensation Recommendation for employee groups - 19.85 (1)(c), (1)(e).
12. Reconvene into Open Session and Take Necessary Action. Motion by Poquette to reconvene at 10:40 p.m., seconded by Rowe. Poquette, yes; Rowe, yes; Drawbert, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0. Upon reconvening, Robin Elvig announced that salary packages had been negotiated.
13. Adjournment. Motion by Rowe to adjourn at 10:42 p.m., seconded by Hilger. Poquette, yes; Rowe, yes; Drawbert, yes; Hilger, yes; Elvig, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Joyce M. Orth CAP, Board Secretary

District Clerk

Date