

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781
August 21, 2017

REGULAR MEETING
Media Center
7:00 P.M.

Athens High School
300 E. Holcomb Street, Athens
TELEPHONE: 729-5414

1. Call to order, Mr. Dennis Stanton presiding at 7:00 PM.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Brunner: X Harvey: X Stanton: X
Knowles: X Loew: X McClure: X Penick: X

A quorum X is, ___ is not present.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Agenda.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented/amended.

Motion: Mr. John Knowles.
Second: Mr. Jeff Penick. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

3. Public Comments.

John Knowles: Asked the Board to consider naming the gym after his father Curtis Knowles.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Increase Substitute Teacher Pay

Mr. Huepenbecker shared about raising sub teacher pay. Recommended raising \$10.00 for full day and \$5.00 for half day. Now with Edu Staff

B. Increasing Lunch Prices

We have come to the point that we need to align ourselves with what the state reimburses us for free and reduce lunch. Recommends \$2.50, then .10 steps increase the next few years.

C. Contract with Marshall for Food Service Director

Working with Marshall Public Schools Food Director Paul for out Food Service Director.

D. New Teacher Hires

Principal Marvin Taylor shared the 4 new hires for East Leroy Elementary. 5th grade -Allison Gibbs, Valerie Gandy, PE -Jamie Katz, Counselor- Jennifer Bittner. Mr. Huepenbecker, High School – PE Tim Parker

E. Construction Update

Will report in 6B

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move approval of the minutes of the July 17, 2017 Regular Board Meeting and the July 17, 2017 Special Organizational Board Meeting.

Motion: Mr. Mike Harvey.
Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

B. Presentation of Financial Statements.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education receive and place on file for audit the financial reports for the District for the period ending July 31, 2017.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.
Second: Mr. Dan Loew. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

6. Reports.

A. Board President.

None at this time

B. Facilities Planning Committee.

Break to go to outside bleachers 7:42 PM

Back 8:09 PM

Waiting for Handicap Ramp to be completed and steps for back of press box to be completed.

C. Superintendent/High School Principal

See Attached

New member of Tribal Council: Jeff Shives

Football team donated for a teen in U.C.

Athens Alumni donated 2 white tables to the school

D. Elementary Principal/Curriculum Director

See Attached

E. School Improvement, Assessment, and Compliance.

See Attached

7. Action Items.

A. Increase Substitute Teacher Pay

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education of Athens Area Schools approve raising the substitute teacher pay through EduStaff from \$80.00 a day to \$90.00 for a full day and from \$50.00 a half day to \$55.00 a half day for starting the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.

Second: Mr. Mike Harvey. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

B. Increasing Lunch Prices

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education of Athens Area Schools increase the full pay price for student meals from \$2.00 a meal to \$2.50 and adult lunch prices from \$3.00 dollars a day to \$3.50 a day for the 2017-2018 school year to align more closely with the State of Michigan recommendation.

Motion: Mr. Mike Harvey.

Second: Mr. John Knowles. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

C. Contract with Marshall for Food Service Director

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education of Athens Area Schools approve entering into a shared services contract with Marshall Public Schools for a Food Services Director to not exceed \$15000.00.

Motion: Mr. John Knowles.

Second: Mr. Dan Loew. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

D. New Teacher Hires

1. Elementary - Allison Gibbs

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Allison Gibbs as a new 5th grade elementary teacher.

Motion: Mr. Dan Loew.
Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

2. Elementary - Jamie Katz

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Jamie Katz as a new elementary physical education teacher.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.
Second: Mr. John Knowles. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

3. Elementary – Jennifer Bittner

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Jennifer Bittner as the new elementary counselor..

Motion: Mr. Dan Loew.
Second: Mr. Eric McClure. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

4. Elementary – Valerie Gandy

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Valerie Gandy as a new 5th grade elementary teacher.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.
Second: Mr. John Knowles. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

5. High School – Timothy Parker

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Timothy Parker as the new high school physical education teacher.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Penick.
Second: Mr. Eric McClure. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

8. Public Comment.

Mr. Marvin Taylor – Thanked the Board for our commitment to education and our school system.

Kelly Hulce – Was wondering where the tables that were picked up so they could be looked at.

9. Board Comments.

Mrs. Kacie Brunner – Was wondering about blinds for Elementary school would be covered in the sinking fund.

Mr. John Knowles opened the Middle School for the Athens Christian Center Church to pass out backpacks to kids returning to school. They also had hot dogs and blow ups.

10. Adjournment.

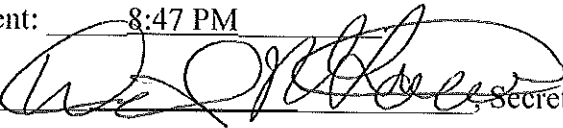
RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Mr. John Knowles.

Second: Mr. Mike Harvey. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: .

Time of adjournment: 8:47 PM

Minutes signed by:  Secretary of the Board of Education

Minutes prepared by: Angie Harris, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

Approved for publication by the Board: September 18, 2017 (date)