

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
East Leroy, Michigan 49051
June 17, 2024

REGULAR MEETING
Jr./Sr. High School Media Center
7:00 P.M.

Athens Jr./Sr. High School
300 E. Holcomb St., Athens, MI 49011
TELEPHONE: 729-5414

1. Call to order, _____ Knowles _____ presiding at _____ 7:00 p.m. _____

A. Membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Penick: X Setlak: X Harvey: X Knowles: X
Loew: X McClure: X Stanton: 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.

Motion: _____ Penick _____.
Second: _____ Stanton _____.
Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

3. Public Comments.

None.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. 2023-2024 Revision 2 Budget.

Recap from earlier budget hearing regarding details in the 2023-2024 Revision 2 general fund and food service fund budgets.

B. 2024-2025 Preliminary Budget.

Recap from earlier budget hearing regarding details in the 2024-2025 Preliminary general fund and food service fund budgets.

C. Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Membership.

Annual renewal of MHSAA membership.

D. Administrative Contracts.

Annual renewal of administrative contracts for: Superintendent, Outreach Coordinator/MS & HS Principal, Elementary Principal, Business Manager, Athletic Director, Food Service Director, Facilities Manager, Transportation Supervisor, and Academic Intervention Room Supervisor. (Note: Athletic Director is a school-year contract, not a full, calendar year).

Annual authorization for the Superintendent to execute a service agreement with EduStaff for the position of Director of Assessment and Compliance.

E. First Reading of the NEOLA Policy Changes.

Policy Committee met and reviewed another batch of NEOLA policies (about 30 policies in total), as part of the continued effort to bring the District in line with all outstanding policy updates.

F. Band/Music Department Grant.

About \$10,000 is potentially being offered to the District's band/music department, including the possibility of an additional \$10,000 match (for a total of \$20,000).

G. Varsity Volleyball Team – Overnight Volleyball Camp July 29-31.

An opportunity for our Varsity volleyball team to travel to Clare, Michigan for an overnight volleyball camp.

H. Attorney-Client Consultation.

Attorney from Thrun Law Firm is here this evening to have a discussion with the Board, in closed session, regarding attorney-client matters.

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of Minutes of Prior Meetings.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve of the minutes of the May 20, 2024 Regular Meeting and May 24, 2024 Special Meeting, as presented.

Motion: _____ McClure _____.

Second: _____ Penick _____.

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 through May 31, 2024.

Motion: _____ Setlak _____.

Second: _____ Harvey _____.

Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .

Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

A. Board President.

None.

B. Facilities/Strategic Planning Committees.

Continuing to share progress on East Leroy Elementary School project on the District's social media. East Leroy Elementary School project on track; currently about 10 days ahead of schedule.

C. Superintendent.

See attached report.

Joined by Outreach Coordinator/MS & HS Principal and Elementary Principal to give a presentation to the Board on curriculum efforts and goals for the District (see attached packet.) A major focus is on aligning curriculum tools, resources, and language across the entire District.

D. Elementary Principal.

See attached report. Working on filling current staff vacancies and will then communicate classroom assignments to East Leroy Elementary School families.

E. High School Administrator.

See attached report.

F. Athletic Director.

See attached report. Our application for a co-op for golf was accepted.

G. School Improvement, Assessment, and Compliance.

See attached report and packet of data/charts. New special education supervisor now in place through the Calhoun Intermediate School District (CISD).

7. Action Items.

A. 2023-2024 Revision 2 Budget.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the 2023-2024 Revision 2 budgets for the general fund, food service fund, and sinking fund, as presented by the Business Manager and recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: _____ Stanton _____.

Second: _____ Harvey _____.

Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .

Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 Preliminary budgets for the general fund, food service fund, activities, and sinking fund, as presented by the Business Manager and recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion: _____ Penick _____.
Second: _____ Stanton _____.
Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

C. Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Membership Resolution.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the annual membership resolution for the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA), as presented.

Motion: _____ Setlak _____.
Second: _____ Loew _____.
Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

D. Administrative Contracts.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the administrative contracts for the Superintendent, Outreach Coordinator/MS & HS Principal, Elementary Principal, Business Manager, Athletic Director, Food Service Director, Academic Intervention Room Supervisor, Facilities Manager, and Transportation Supervisor, as presented; and authorize the Superintendent to execute a service agreement with EduStaff for the Director of Assessment and Compliance.

Motion: _____ McClure _____.
Second: _____ Stanton _____.
Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

E. First Reading of the NEOLA Policy Changes.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education authorize and submit as a first reading of the NEOLA policy changes, as presented by the Policy Committee. (Policies po1240, po1540, po1615, po2370.01, po2410, po2414, po2418, po2623, po3215, po3220, po4215, po5512, po6320, po6321, po6325, po6350, po6520, po7230, po7434, po7540.02, po7540.03, po7540.04, po8300, po8305, po8315, po8390, po853, po8800, po9160, po9700.01).

Motion: _____ Setlak _____.
Second: _____ Penick _____.
Ayes: 7 . Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: _____.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education authorize the acceptance of a grant for the band/music department, not to exceed \$20,000.

Motion: _____ Loew _____.
 Second: _____ Setlak _____.
 Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.
 Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

G. Varsity Volleyball Team – Overnight Volleyball Camp July 29-31.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the Varsity volleyball team to go on an overnight camp July 29-31.

Motion: _____ Harvey _____.
 Second: _____ Setlak _____.
 Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.
 Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

8. Public Comments.

None.

Break out at 8:00 p.m.

Break back in at 8:05 p.m.

9. Closed Session.

A. Attorney-Client Consultation.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education go into closed session under Section 8(1) (h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, so that the Board may consider and discuss a privileged written attorney-client communication.

Motion: _____ Stanton _____.
 Second: _____ Penick _____.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Penick: Y Setlak: Y Harvey: Y Knowles: Y
 Loew: Y McClure: Y Stanton: Y

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.
 Passed: X. Defeated: _____. Time: 8:06 p.m. _____.

B. Board President returns meeting to open session.

Time: 8:52 p.m. _____.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Stanton.

Second: Penick.

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: .

Time of adjournment: 8:53 p.m. .

Minutes signed by: Evi N. McClure, Acting Secretary Secretary of the Board of Education

Minutes prepared by: Eric McClure, Board of Education Secretary

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