

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781
September 20, 2021

REGULAR MEETING
Media Center/Virtual
7:00 P.M.

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

1. Call to order, Mr. Dennis Stanton presiding at 7:04 PM.

a. Membership count to determine if a quorum presence:

Present: Brunner: Y Harvey: Y Stanton, D: Y
Knowles: Y McClure: Y Stanton, J: Y

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. Jason Stanton. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.
Passed: . Defeated: .

ROLL CALL VOTE: Y Kacie Brunner Y Dennis Stanton Y Mike Harvey
Y John Knowles Y Eric McClure Y Jason Stanton

3. Public Comments.

None

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Select Board Secretary

- *Replacement for Mr. Dan Loew's seat as Board Secretary.*
- *Same process as organizational meeting.*

B. Video Streaming Athletics

- *New; Pixel-lot (commercial service)*
- *Want to mount camera in gym and on football field to livestream games via internet. Joe to find out more info.*
- *Subscription/month to view*

C. Board Member Applicant(s) Interview

- *1 applicant – Joel Chapman – previously served on Athens BOE*
- *Questions/ by Board for Mr. Chapman*
- *Comments*

D. COVID Update

- *New guidance from CCPHD last week.*
 - *Changes to quarantines for students – allowing for some instances of testing out.”*
 - *Can test negative on Day 7/10 and return on Day 8.*
 - *Would apply to us*

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move approval of the minutes of the August 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and the August 23, and 30, 2021 Special Board Meetings.

Motion: Mr. Mike Harvey.
 Second: Mr. Eric McClure. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.
 Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Y Kacie Brunner Y Dennis Stanton Y Mike Harvey
Y John Knowles Y Eric McClure Y Jason Stanton

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 August 31, 2021.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.
 Second: Mr. Jason Stanton. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.
 Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Y Kacie Brunner Y Dennis Stanton Y Mike Harvey
Y John Knowles Y Eric McClure Y Jason Stanton

6. Reports.

A. Board President.

- None

B. Construction Update.

- *Everything almost closed out (punched out)/ from summer projects. Small issue w/some floor tiles.*
- *Working on getting photos/videos of completed projects.*

C. Superintendent/High School Principal

- See attached report.
- Shared update re: process for attendance/school day counting this year.

D. Elementary Principal/Curriculum Director

- See attached report.
- Idea to promote attendance at EL on count day Oct. 6th. Shared ELA M-STEP scores.
- Again opting out of KRA this year.

E. School Improvement, Assessment, and Compliance.

- See attached report.
- Mr. Dubbeld doing much better and at home.

F. Athletic Director

- See attached report.
- Shared fall sports update; canceled MS football season (due to numbers) – MS cheerleaders cheering at HS games.

7. Action Items.

A. Nomination for Board Secretary

Election of the Secretary of the Board.

Nominations will be accepted for the position, Secretary of the Board of Education.

1. Mr. John Knowles nominated Mr. Eric McClure.

2. _____ nominated _____.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Eric McClure for the office of Secretary.

Motion: Mr. Dennis Stanton

Second: Mr. John Knowles

Ayes: 6 Nay: 0

ROLL CALL VOTE: Y Kacie Brunner Y Dennis Stanton Y Mike Harvey
Y John Knowles Y Eric McClure Y Jason Stanton

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.

The Chair hereby declares Mr. Eric McClure elected Secretary of the Board of Education.

B. Board Member Selection

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Joel Chapman to fill the open BOE seat until the next regular election.

Motion: Mr. John Knowles.
Second: Mr. Jason Stanton. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.
Passed: Y. Defeated: _____.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Y Kacie Brunner Y Dennis Stanton Y Mike Harvey
Y John Knowles Y Eric McClure Y Jason Stanton

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.

8. Public Comment.

- *Stephanie Harvey – Had previously commented on concern about school spirit. Concerned about mental well being of staff over concerns. Is there anything we or the Board can do?*
- *Kelly Hulce – Any open staff positions? (Yes, para pro staff)*

9. Staff Comment.

- *Mr. Mike Harvey – Additional question re: Pixel-lot and hosting districts.*

10. Adjournment.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Mr. John Knowles.
Second: Mr. Mike Harvey. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.
Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Y Kacie Brunner Y Dennis Stanton Y Mike Harvey
Y John Knowles Y Eric McClure Y Jason Stanton

Time of adjournment: 8:06 PM.

Minutes signed by: *Eric N. McClure*, Secretary of the Board of Education

Minutes prepared by: Angie Harris, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

Approved for publication by the Board: October 18, 2021 (date)