

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS  
Board of Education  
East Leroy, Michigan 49051  
April 17, 2023

REGULAR MEETING  
Media Center  
7:00 P.M.

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

1. Call to order, Mr. John Knowles presiding at 7:00 PM.

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: Mr. Mike Harvey.  
Second: Mr. Jeff Penick.  
Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.  
Passed: X. Defeated: \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Public Comments.

- *None*

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Fifth Grade Field Trip Presentation

- *Allie Gesink and Sarah Sawyer presented about fifth grader's experience at Sherman Lake YMCA camp. Hoping to go again next year.*

B. End of the COVID Public Emergency

- *Officially ending on May 11, 2023.*
- *End of national public health emergency (at federal level).*
- *Commended community on how we focused on what's best for our kids.*

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approved the minutes of the March 20, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.  
Second: Mrs. Hilary Setlak.  
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 March 31, 2023.

Motion: Mr. Mike Harvey.  
Second: Mr. Jason Stanton.  
Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.  
Passed: X. Defeated: \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Reports.

A. Board President.

- *Dan's CASBMA award ceremony next week – Wednesday, April 26 at CACC.*

B. Facilities/Planning Committee.

- *Packages have been sent out for bid and pre-bid meetings have been held. Bids due next Thursday, April 27.*

C. Superintendent

- *See attached.*
- *Up in health insurance for hard cap next year is 4.1%*
- *Majority of PSAT/SAT testing done for 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> graders.*

D. High School Administrator

- *See attached.*
- *5<sup>th</sup> grade visit on May 19<sup>th</sup> to Jr./Sr. high school*
- *May 25<sup>th</sup> Graduation ceremony at high school.*

E. Elementary Principal/Curriculum Director

- *See attached.*
- *Update on M-STEP testing at ELE*
- *Spring concert day event May 18 at ELE*

F. Athletic Director.

- See attached.
- Spring sports update.
- Still looking for volunteers at spring home events.

G. School Improvement, Assessment, and Compliance.

- See attached.
- Spring testing continues; being monitored this year for testing at elementary.
- Update re: Title IX change proposed by Biden administration (see attached fact sheet)

7. Action Items.

A.

- None.

8. Public Comment

- None.

Break out at 7:56 PM

Break in at 8:04 PM

9. Closed Sessions

A. Student Discipline Hearing

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of conducting a student discipline hearing.

Motion: Mr. Jason Stanton.

Second: Mrs. Hilary Setlak.

Roll Call: Penick: Y Setlak: Y Harvey: Y Knowles: Y  
 Loew: Y McClure: Y Stanton: Y  
 Ayes: 7 Nays: 0  
 Passed: X. Defeated:     . Time: 8:04 PM.

President moves the meeting be returned to Open Session.

Time: 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education expels the student for 180 days for the violation of the Schools Code of Conduct.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.

Second: Mr. Jeff Penick.

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated:     .

B. Student Discipline Hearing

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of conducting a student discipline hearing.

Motion: Mr. Mike Harvey.

Second: Mr. Jason Stanton.

Roll Call: Penick: Y Setlak: Y Harvey: Y Knowles: Y  
Loew: Y McClure: Y Stanton: Y  
Ayes: 7 Nays: 0  
Passed: Y. Defeated:     . Time: 8:37 PM.

President moves the meeting be returned to Open Session.

Time: 10:06 pm

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education does not expel the student for 180 days for the violation of the Schools Code of Conduct and that the student will have a contract with the administration and if the student does not live up to the contract they will have the expulsion charges reinstated in July, 2023.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.

Second: Mrs. Teri Loew.

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated:     .

C. AEA Negotiations

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with the AEA.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.

Second: Mr. Jason Stanton.

Roll Call: Penick: Y Setlak: Y Harvey: Y  
Knowles: Y Loew: Y McClure: Y Stanton: Y  
Ayes: 7 Nays: 0  
Passed: X. Defeated:     . Time: 10:15 PM.

President moves the meeting be returned to Open Session.

Time: 10:37 PM

10. Adjournment.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Mr. Jason Stanton.

Second: Mr. Jeff Penick.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: \_\_\_\_\_.

Time of adjournment: 10:37 PM.

Minutes signed by: Evi McCreer, Secretary of the Board of Education

Minutes prepared by: Angie Harris, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

Approved for publication by the Board: May 15, 2023 (date)