

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781
June 18, 2012

REGULAR MEETING
Media Center
7:00 P.M.

East Leroy Elementary
4320 K Drive South, East Leroy
TELEPHONE: 729-5419

1. The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Stanton at 7:05 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Kacie Brunner, Joel Chapman, Kendra Falk, Craig Fairchild, John Knowles,
Daniel Loew, Sr. and Dennis Stanton.

Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

2021112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as amended, adding:
7. L. Public Comments.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

3. Public Comments.

Craig Draheim: Comments regarding layoffs and the offer of a 10% pay cut.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. State Aid Operating Loan.

Cash flow borrowing from State Aid Note: \$1,250,000.

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

2031112 Mr. Loew moved approval of the minutes of the May 21, 2012 Regular Meeting and Closed Session
as presented.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

B. 2011-12 Budget Revisions.

2041112 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-2012 second budget revisions for
the General Fund and Cafeteria Fund as presented.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

- C. Presentation of financial statements.

2051112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education receive and place on file for audit the financial reports for the District for the period ending May 31, 2012.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

6. Reports.

- A. Board President. None.

- B. Bond Committee.

Need to get wish list. The committee is Joel Chapman, Kendra Falk and John Knowles.

- C. Superintendent/Elementary Principal. None.

- D. High School Principal.

- Report cards went out today. We had to wait for grades to come from one of the Centers.

- E. Athletic Director. None.

- F. Technology Director. None.

- G. Curriculum Director.

- The special education disciplinary problem has been corrected.
- MME results for individual students are available to school districts, but are under embargo.

7. Old and New Business.

- A. 2012-2013 Proposed Budget.

1. General Fund.

2061112 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the budget for the 2012-2013 school year for the General Fund.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

2. Cafeteria.

2071112 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the budget for the 2012-2013 school year for the Cafeteria Fund.

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

B. State Aid Operating Loan Resolution.

2081112 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve the enclosed resolution regarding tax shortfall borrowing.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

C. Schools of Choice.

2091112 Mr. Fairchild moved that the Board of Education of Athens Area Schools, exercising the option permitted under Section 105 and 105c of the School Aid Act of 1979, as amended by Public Act 300 of 1996, will, for the purposes of Section 105 and 105c, accept students, as capacity allows, from non-resident students from outside our school district who reside within the Calhoun Intermediate School District of which this district is a constituent district and the contiguous districts for enrollment in our school district for the 2012-2013 school year and will operate a schools of choice program in our district in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105 and 105c for both first and second semesters.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

D. By-Law Rescind.

2101112 Mrs. Brunner moved that Board By-Law 0150 regarding the organizational meeting be amended to provide that the organizational meeting of the Board shall occur not later than the third Monday in July and further, that Board By-Law 0131.1 which requires an amendment be proposed at a previous board meeting, be suspended for purposes of this amendment only.

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

E. July Special and Regular Meeting.

2111112 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education set July 16, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. for a special meeting and 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting of the Board of Education.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

F. Acceptance of Bid.

2121112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education accept the day maintenance and custodial services bid from Hi-Tech building services.

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

G. Resolution to Lay Off Staff for 2012-2013 School Year

1. Teachers

2131112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the layoffs of teachers due to district budget reductions as presented.

Jr./Sr. High School

Judi Henckel (reduced 2/3)

Sarah Low (reduced 1/3)

Anna McCrumb (reduced 1/3)

Jennifer Spencer (reduced 1/3)

East Leroy Elementary School

Ashley Britton

Carol Quist

Kelly Hulce

Lucy Roach (was .5 teacher)

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Six. Nays: One (Brunner). Motion: Passed.

2. Maintenance/Custodial

2141112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution with regard to layoffs of the following maintenance/custodial due to district budget reductions.

1. Neil Tobias

2. Rodney Cole

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

H. MHSAA Membership Resolution

2151112 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the attached MHSAA (Michigan High School Athletic Association) membership resolution for the 2012-2013 school year.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

I. Coach E-Z

2161112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve non-teaching coaches be hired through PESG Coach E-Z beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

J. 2012-2013 Calendar

2171112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the 2012-2013 school calendar as presented.

Second: Mrs. Falk

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

K. Athletic Fees

2181112 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the increase in athletic passes & transportation fees as follows:

Transportation:	Grades 7-8	\$40	Maximum \$80 per student
	Grades 9-12	\$60	Maximum \$120 per student
Athletic Passes:	Family	\$150	Family Maximum \$180
	Adult	\$70	
	Student	\$35	

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

L. Public Comments.

Peter Pontoni: Comments about teacher cuts and layoffs

Diana Casselman: Shared her concerns over the layoffs. 50% of those being laid off live here in the community.

Mike Harvey: He has two children in the school district. As a parent, how much are we going to have to cut and are we going to have very large classroom sizes like most very large sizes?

Nora Vaughn: She has two kids in the school district. What is going to keep our kids in the district? Will we be able to keep our standards up?

Julie Beal: She has three children in the district on Schools of Choice (1-high school, 1-middle school, 1-elementary school). She is concerned that children will be able to get the classes they need.

Eric McClure: He is a student at Athens High School and will be a senior next year. He does not want to see his education at Athens be diminished by less classes available.

A break was taken to clear the audience before the closed session at 8:30 p.m. Mr. Stanton left the meeting.

8. Closed Session – Collective Bargaining.

A. Closed Session.

2191112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of collective bargaining.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 8:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Kacie Brunner - Yes	Joel Chapman – Yes	Kendra Falk - Yes
Craig Fairchild - Yes	John Knowles - Yes	Dan Loew - Yes	Dennis Stanton - Absent

B. Return to Open Session.

2201112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education return to open session.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:23 p.m.

9. Closed Session – Employee Discipline.

A. Closed Session.

2211112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of employee discipline.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed Time: 9:24 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Kacie Brunner - Yes	Joel Chapman – Yes	Kendra Falk - Yes
Craig Fairchild - Yes	John Knowles - Yes	Dan Loew - Yes	Dennis Stanton - Absent

B. Return to Open Session.

2221112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education return to open session.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:30 p.m.

10. Adjournment.

2231112 Mrs. Brunner moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

Time of Adjournment: 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Daniel Loew, Sr., Secretary, Board of Education