

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781
August 15, 2011

REGULAR MEETING
Media Center
7:00 P.M.

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

1. The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Stanton at 7:12 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Kacie Brunner, Joel Chapman, Craig Fairchild, Kendra Falk, John Knowles, Daniel Loew, Sr., and Dennis Stanton.
Absent: None.
Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

1241112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

3. Public Comments.

Kelly Anthony: Spoke regarding her son Brandon Anthony and loss of credits from absences for second semester.

4. Presentations.

A. Construction Update.

Ryan Collins, Frederick Construction: East Leroy has a little data cabling and power glitch yet, but should be complete by the end of the week.

The high school mechanical is moving well. Electricity will be down tonight for Consumers to change over. Interior steel work complete. The painting in the gym will be done in two more days. The interior ceilings should be done by the end of the week. The cleaning company will start cleanup in the corridors and classrooms tomorrow. The additions, Unit A will start roofing Thursday of this week for the classrooms. Site work to start the week of August 22nd with sidewalks, top soil and asphalt. There will be a walk-through with the Fire Marshall tomorrow. End date for the turnover is projected for October 10, 2011. Tech install bid: 3 bidders with the winning bid of \$32,566.65.

B. Children's Interest Protection Act (CIPA) Hearing

Filtering through open DNS Free Services.

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

1251112 Mrs. Falk moved approval of the minutes of the July 18, 2011 Regular Meeting as presented.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

6. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- No layoff of para-pro. One left so we did not have to lay anyone off.
- Board is invited to the kickoff breakfast.
- Tuesday, August 30th will be open houses. 6:00 p.m. @ East Leroy Elementary, 7:00 p.m. Jr./Sr. High School
- Possible interest in Administration building from a financial organization.
- Looking at moving the Administration office to East Leroy.

C. High School Principal.

- Science department would like to make some graduation requirements changing to physical science to biology; granting earth science
- Math: 8th grade receiving credit for Algebra so they don't have to re-take if they did well in high school

D. Athletic Director. NONE.

E. Technology Director.

On the last pick up, we got 100 new computers at Warren Robins Air Force Base in Georgia.

F. Curriculum Director.

- Battle Creek Math & Science Center produces Kdg. through 6th grade kits.
- 7th Grade Math & Science Center kits are what we will use this year.
- MEAP testing begins October 11 and ends on October 28.
- Dean Transportation is taking over special education runs.

7. Old and New Business.

A. Technology Installation.

1261112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education confirm the awarding of the bid package for technology installation to Quality Independent Communications of Battle Creek, MI in the amount of \$32,566.65.

Second: Mrs. Brunner

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

B. CIPA.

1271112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education hereby certifies that Athens Area Schools are in full compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA).

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

C. Teacher Hire.

1281112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve Mrs. Veronica Peterson as the high school English teacher for the 2011-2012 school year.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

Board Comments:

Mr. Loew: Gave Board Member phone cards to members, Mr. Franklin, Mr. Huepenbecker, Mr. Dubbeld, Mrs. Casselman and Mrs. Dowd.

Mr. Knowles: Has the RFP for custodial been bid out?

Mr. Franklin: The custodial RFP hasn't been put out as of yet.

8. Adjournment.

1291112 Mrs. Falk moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

Time of Adjournment: 9:26 p.m.

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