

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS  
Board of Education  
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781  
June 20, 2011

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 7:00 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Kacie Brunner, Joel Chapman, Knedra Falk, John Knowles, Daniel Loew, Sr.,  
Tomissa Smittendorf and Dennis Stanton.

Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

1351011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

3. Public Comments.

**Tim Kinney**: Parents may need to sign a waiver if a player gets hurt and need to be checked out before the play. Also if a player is ineligible they cannot immediately come back and play right off. May have to set out a quarter or period.

**Spencer Boyd**: Apologized for being on school property and for toilet papering the school June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Tim Flynn**: Over the years there have been several players ineligible.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Bond Work Update.

Ryan from Frederick Construction: Still do not have a building permit yet but have the go. Already to get started. They have mobilized and dirt has been moved. Footings will be poured the rest of this week. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade will probably start at the middle until the rooms are done.

Estimated abatement	High School	\$48,654
	East Leroy Elem	\$58,350
	Construction Cost	\$2,666,457
	Construction Fund	\$183,543

All long lead items are on tract and submittals have been approved.

## 5. Routine Matters.

## A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

1361011 Mr. Loew moved approval of the minutes of the May 16, 2011 Regular Meeting and Closed Session as presented.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

## B. 2010-11 Budget Revisions.

1371011 Mrs. Smittendorf moved that the Board of Education approve the 2010-2011 final 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.

1381011 Mr. Chapman 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, 2011.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## 6. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Bond Committee. NONE.

C. Superintendent/Elementary Principal. Forego report tonight.

D. High School Principal.

- Science Department would like to make some adjustments in science curriculum.
- Walter Schalau recommended as the Varsity Football Coach.
- Shannon Fuller selected as the JV Volleyball Coach.

E. Athletic Director.

- State has approved agreement for a joint wrestling team with Climax-Scotts.

F. Technology Director. NONE.

## G. Curriculum Director.

- District and individual school improvement plans have been submitted to the State.
- School Data Profile/Analysis has also been submitted to the State for the elementary and high school.
- Our district cims-2 workbook is complete.

## 7. Old and New Business.

## A. 2011-2012 Proposed Budget.

## 1. General Fund.

1391011 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the budget for the 2011-2012 school year for the General Fund.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## 2. Cafeteria.

1401011 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education approve the budget for the 2011-2012 school year for the Cafeteria Fund.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

## B. State Aid Operating Loan Resolution.

1411011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the enclosed resolution regarding tax shortfall borrowing.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

## C. Schools of Choice.

1421011 Mrs. Falk 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 2011-2012 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.

Applicants will be put on a waiting list for those grades that exceed the limits indicated above.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

## D. Organizational Meeting.

1431011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education set July 11, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. as the Organizational Meeting for the Board of Education.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

## E. Superintendent's Contract.

1441011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the administrative contract between the Athens Area Schools Board of Education and Superintendent Mr. Richard P. Franklin.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

## F. Administrative Team Contracts.

## 1. Diana Casselman

1451011 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 contract for Diana Casselman as the Administrative Assistant. (*Note: Diane will be retiring August 31, 2011.*)

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

## 2. Shirley Dowd

1461011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 contract for Shirley Dowd as the Executive Assistant of Finance.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## 3. Barry Shackelford.

1471011 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 contract for Barry Shackelford as the IT Director.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## 4. Joe Huepenbecker.

1481011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 contract for Joe Huepenbecker as the High School Principal/Transportation Supervisor.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## 5. Pat Donato.

1491011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 contract for Pat Donato as the Food Service Director.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

## 6. Colleen Swank.

1501011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 contract for Colleen Swank as the Title I Teacher/Director.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

## 7. GMS Service Agreement.

1511011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the 2011-12 Good Marks Service Agreement for Walter Dubbeld and Judy Knowles.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Abstain: One (Knowles). Motion: Passed.

## G. Resolution to Lay Off Staff for 2011/2012 School Year

1521011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution with regard to layoff of Amanda Alverson, para-professional, due to district budget reductions.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## H. GASB 54

1531011 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education delegate to the Superintendent or his designee the authority to assign amounts of fund equity for specific purposes in compliance with GASB54.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## I. MHSAA Membership Resolution

1541011 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the attached MHSAA (Michigan High School Athletic Association) membership resolution for the 2011-2012 school year.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

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

## J. Bus Purchases

1551011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the purchase of two (2) International 65-passenger buses. (\$76,298.00)

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

## K. Coaching Recommendation

1561011 Mrs. Smittendorf moved that the Board of Education approve Walt Schalau as the Varsity Head Football Coach for the 2011-2012 school year.

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Three. Nays: Four. Motion: Denied.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Brunner-No; Chapman-No; Falk-Yes; Knowels-No; Loew-Yes; Smittendorf-No; Stanton-Yes.

Call for a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. or immediately following the Organizational Meeting to approve a new recommendation for a Varsity Head Football Coach.

## L. RFP Authorization, Custodial

1571011 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to develop and issue a request for proposal (RFP) for daytime custodial service.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

## M. Authorization to Seek Concessions

1581011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent and the bargaining team to seek concessions from all employees and employee groups currently receiving health insurance benefits and/or cash in lieu.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

## PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Tim Flynn: Commented on Walt Schalau
- Marcy Schalau: Comments and discouraged by the decision of the board by not hiring Walt.

## BOARD COMMENTS:

- Tomissa Smittendorf: Mentioned that this was her final meeting with the board. She encouraged others to possibly look to seek a position.

## 8. Adjournment.

1591011 Mr. Chapman moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

Time of Adjournment: 9:03 p.m.

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