

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS  
Board of Education  
East Leroy, Michigan 49051  
February 20, 2012

REGULAR MEETING  
Media Center  
7:00 P.M.

Athens High School  
300 E. Holcomb Street  
PHONE: 269.729.5414

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

2. Approval of Agenda.

1721112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

3. Public Comments. NONE.

4. Presentations.

A. Bond Update .

- Pump under sink in band room replaced
- Trim has been put on monument sign
- Seam on roof are finished
- Work started on new computer lab in high school media center

5. Discussion.

A. Review: Athletic Eligibility Policy.

- Review of proposed committee policy
- As of 2/15, 8 to 10 in grades 7-12 would be ineligible under proposed policy
- Reviewed eligibility requirements from area schools

Kristy Voss commented.

6. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

1731112 Mr. Loew moved approval of the minutes of the January 16, 2012 Regular Meeting as presented.

Second: Mr. Fairchild

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

B. Presentation of financial statements.

1741112 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 January 31, 2012.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

7. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- Shared Lisa Guseman's report
- Mr. Franklin and Mrs. Casselman have a conference call with our elections counsel tomorrow.
- Non-homestead operating millage renewal will be on the August primary ballot
- Began to receive requests for rentals of the AMS Hall
- Honeywell heating controls update; new server for the controls delivered a week ago

C. High School Principal.

- Kendra Wilholt elected to the Big 8 All Academic Team
- Conference held in high school with good attendance
- Junior Class will be taking MME March 6<sup>th</sup> through March 8<sup>th</sup>
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade visiting CACC on March 6
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade visited CACC on February 1
- Homecoming was last week and everyone had a good time

D. Athletic Director.

- Wrestling co-op went well this season
- New quote on refinishing gym floors; Cedar Creek; low bid \$11,058; group will look at bids; yearly maintenance bid \$3,000

E. Technology Director.

- Looking at new server software
- New workstations will be installed with new operating software

F. Curriculum Director.

- Mr. Dubbeld shared MEAP scores
  - Last year vs this year
  - Athens vs CISD
  - Athens vs State
- Athens truly has the best teachers and staff working to produce highly educated students

G. Policy Committee.

- Nothing more than already presented
- Anti-bullying policies coming soon

H. Bargaining Committee.

- Met with teachers and support staff

I. CASBMA Representatives. NONE.

8. Old and New Business.

A. Resolution: 80/20 Insurance.

1751112 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution in regard to employee premium sharing on medical insurance.

Second: Mr. Knowles

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

Mr. Draheim thanks the board for passing 80/20 and reminded them that they are around the lowest in the conference and possibly area.

President Stanton called for a break at 9:25 p.m.

9. Closed Session – Collective Bargaining.

A. Closed Session.

1761112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of Collective Bargaining.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:34 p.m.

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ROLL CALL VOTE: Brunner – Yes; Fairchild – Yes; Knowles – Yes; Loew – YES; Stanton – Yes

B. Return to Open Session.

1771112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education return to open session.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 10:36 p.m

10. Adjournment.

1781112 Mr. Loew moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

Time of adjournment: 10:37 p.m.

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