

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS  
Board of Education  
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781  
January 17, 2011

REGULAR MEETING  
Media Center  
7:00 P.M.

High School Media Center  
300 E. Holcomb Street  
TELEPHONE: 729-5414

1. The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Stanton at 7:09 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Joel Chapman, Kendra Falk, John Knowles, Daniel Loew, Sr., Tomissa Smittendorf, Dennis Stanton and Amy Weeks.

Quorum: Present

2. Approval of Agenda.

0641011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mrs. Weeks.

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

3. Public Comments.

Joe Mickalzee: Encouraged the board to use local companies and local men and women who live in the area, promoting W. Soules and Hunter Prell who use lots of local guys.

Jason Vincent: His children attend Athens Schools and would like to work on the project.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Board Appreciation

Superintendent Franklin read a recognition resolution from the Calhoun Intermediate School District. He also shared the MASB Certificate of Appreciation.

Pat Donato prepared food for Board Appreciation Month for the meeting.

B. Budget Revisions

Susan Zeeb from the CISD proposed Revision 1 budget revision based on a student count of 624.

Revenue	5,686,922
Expenditures	<u>5,920,620</u>
	(233,698)

C. Bond Work Update

Shawn (TPTA): Out to bid date February 1. Preparing bid documents.

John & Mike (Frederick Construction): Reviewing the bid documents from TPTA; work on abatement of tiles; work on having open house as soon as documents are ready.

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

0651011 Mr. Knowles moved approval of the minutes of the December 13, 2010 Special and Regular Meetings as presented.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

B. Presentation of financial statements.

0661011 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 December 31, 2010.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

6. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- Would like to see a committee to begin long and short term planning for the old middle school building
- The evaluation of the Superintendent needs to be done before March 15. The evaluation will be done at the March 21 board meeting.

NOTE: *The Board would like the evaluation papers for the January 31, 2011 special meeting.*

C. High School Principal.

- He and Jerry Anderson (our mechanic) took a trip to look at used buses but didn't find what they wanted. They may possibly be looking at some leased buses.
- Presented adjustments to the graduation requirements.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade to visit the Calhoun Area Career Center on March 1, 2011
- Youth in Government students will be going on a field trip
- Ed-YES self assessment documents are with Walter Dubbeld.

D. Athletic Director.

- Big 8 conference is discussing going back to a cross-over football game for the last date.
- Continuing discussion with Climax-Scotts regarding the possibility of co-oping wrestling and competitive cheer next season.
- Working with Climax-Scotts on possible gym floor refinishing together.

E. Technology Director.

- January 31, 2011 – Tower crew will be on site.
- Over 100 work stations were replaced since September 1, 2010.
- 300 desktops were received from the Kellogg Company

F. Curriculum Director.

- Recommending that we leave the block schedule
- The individual student MEAP scores are available on Data Director and State websites
- We have begun work on the 40 indicators of school success for the Education YES report; this must be completed for both school and the district
- 2014 – All students are required to pass the MEAP and MME per the NCLB Act

7. Old and New Business.

A. Budget Revision Approval - 1<sup>st</sup> Revision: 2010/2011 School Budget.

0671011 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the revisions to the 2010/2011 general fund budget.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

B. Approve New Science Teacher.

0681011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Ms. Cordelia Squire as the high school science teacher beginning second semester (January 25, 2011).

Second: Mrs. Weeks.

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

BOARD COMMENTS: Thanked Pat Donato for the food she provided tonight.  
Amy Weeks submitted her resignation from the Board of Education effective January 23, 2011.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ken Falk: Thanked the board members for working on the school board and the administration staff.

8. Adjournment.

0691011 Mrs. Falk moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mrs. Weeks.

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

Time of Adjournment: 9:34 p.m.

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