

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS  
Board of Education  
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781  
December 15, 2014

REGULAR MEETING  
Media Center  
7:00 P.M.

Athens High School  
300 E. Holcomb Street, Athens  
TELEPHONE: 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, Joel Chapman, Craig Fairchild, Daniel Loew, Sr., Eric McClure  
and Dennis Stanton  
Absent: John Knowles  
Quorum: Present

**Pledge of Allegiance**

2. Approval of Agenda.

0431415 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

3. Public Comments. NONE.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Kris Jenkins, CACC

A promotional video clip of the Calhoun Area Career Center was shown. Also a power point presentation was given showing how the Center works.

B. Bond Audit.

Independent auditor's report: Reviewed audit by Willis and Jurasek, P.C. The report is on file in the school's business office.

## 5. Routine Matters.

## A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

0441415 Mr. Chapman moved approval of the minutes of the November 17, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented.

Second: Mr. McClure.

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

## B. Presentation of financial statements.

0451415 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education receive and place on file for audit the financial reports for the District for the period ending November 30, 2014.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

## 6. Reports.

## A. Board President.

- Special Meeting – January 26, 2015, 6:30 p.m.
- Mrs. Brunner shared an update on Luke Lamson from a Facebook page.

## B. Policy Committee.

- Mr. Fairchild shared that the policy committee had a meeting and is recommending adopting the changes proposed.

## C. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- There is a fair amount of sickness of students and staff.
- There are two hiring requests for para-professionals tonight.
- Share a report from the Mackinac Center.

## D. High School Principal.

- Alumni basketball tournament will be December 26 and 27.
- Band concert was December 11
- The Red Cross blood drive is Friday, December 19.
- First semester final exams are January 15 and 16.
- The new semester/marking period starts on January 20.

## E. Athletic Director.

- Shared schedule of the District.
- District tournament for boys basketball (district no. 9) will be held at Athens High School.

## F. Curriculum Director.

- Fourth grade maturation moved was shown on November 21.
- Fifth grade presentation on HIV and communicable diseases was presented on December 5.
- The CISD conducted a special education audit on December 3.

## 7. Old and New Business.

## A. Policy Revisions/Updates.

0461415 Mr. Fairchild moved that the Board of Education approve the NEOLA policy revisions; Vol 29, No. 1 as recommended by the Policy Committee.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

## B. Approval of Para-Professionals.

## 1. SRSA Part-time Para-Professional.

0471415 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education approve the hiring of the part-time SRSA para-professional Kathleen Parlin.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

Aye: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed.

## 2. Approval of Para-Professional.

0481415 Mr. Fairchild moved that the Board of Education approve the hiring of the LRE para-professional Betty Boyd.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

## C. CASBMA Award Nominations.

0491415 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education nominate Mr. Curtis Knowles for the CASBMA citizen award.

Second: Mr. McClure.

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

8. Public Comments.

Rich Schroeder: Concerned over how buses are using/not using amber stops versus red light stops on M-66.

BREAK: 8:56 p.m.

9. Closed Session – Contract Negotiations.

A. Closed Session.

0501415 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of contract negotiations.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Brunner-Yes; Chapman-Yes; Fairchild-Yes; Loew-Yes; McClure-Yes;  
Stanton-Yes:

B. Return to Open Session.

0511415 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education return to open session.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

Ayes: Six. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:55 p.m.

10. Adjournment.

0521415 Mr. Chapman moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

Time of adjournment: 9:57 p.m.

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