

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781
June 16, 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 7:03 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Kacie Brunner, Joel Chapman, Craig Fairchild, John Knowles, Daniel Loew, Sr.,
Eric McClure and Dennis Stanton.

Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

1051314 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

3. Public Comments.

Cindy Leach: Director for Athens Area Community Foundation shared info on the ATUCCAN Golf Outing. She asked if the school board would like to sponsor again. They would like to use the gymnasium for the Foundation to use and other events if it is not being used by the school or scheduled for another event.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Michigan Finance Authority (State Aid Operating Loan).

Mr. Franklin is working with Jeff Soles at Thrun Law Firm PC for our cash flow borrowing. We will need to borrow about \$900,000.00. The application is due by June 27, 2014.

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

1061314 Mr. McClure moved approval of the minutes of the May 20, 2013 Regular Meeting as presented.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

B. Presentation of financial statements.

1071314 Mr. Loew 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, 2014.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

6. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Facilities/Planning Committee.

Mr. Knowles thanked the school, Joel Chapman and Rich Franklin for allowing Curtis Knowles funeral to be held in the high school gymnasium.

C. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- Nice end of year at the elementary school. Nice weather for everything.
- Working on finishing the contract with Hi-Tec for custodial services.
- Working on putting info together on a 6-year bus bond. Will need to be approved in July for the November ballot.
- Small Rural Schools Grant renewed again this year.
- Grant money may become available from LRSB monies.

D. High School Principal.

- Ryan Pedley of the Tribal Police will be conducting a Hunter's Safety Class on August 9-10.
- Tomorrow will be freshman orientation in the high school cafeteria.
- Annual bus inspection was last week. We received two red tags and one yellow tag.
- Focusing on filling teaching vacancies at this time.

E. Athletic Director.

- Getting bids for track repair.

F. Curriculum Director.

- June 27th will be monitoring for high qualified teachers.
- Submitted a transmittal addendum for our special education graduation rates. There is a problem with our data for discipline of special education students. We believe this is now corrected.
- Currently working on a variety of State mandated reports.

7. Old and New Business.

A. 2013-14 Budget Revisions.

1081314 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education approve the 2013-2014 second budget revisions for the General Fund and Cafeteria Fund as presented.

Second: Mr. McClure.

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

B. 2014-2015 Proposed Budget.

1. General Fund.

1091314 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve the budget for the 2014-2015 school year for the General Fund.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

2. Cafeteria.

1101314 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the budget for the 2014-2015 school year for the Cafeteria Fund.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

C. MFA Resolution.

1111314 Mr. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve the attached Michigan Finance Authority resolution.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

D. MHSAA Annual Membership Resolution.

1121314 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the attached Michigan High School Athletic Association annual membership resolution as presented.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

E. Schools of Choice.

1131314 Mr. McClure 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 2014-2015 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.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

F. July Special and Regular Meeting.

1141314 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education set July 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. for a special meeting and 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting of the Board of Education.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

G. Administrative Contracts.

1. Richard Franklin.

1151314 Mr. Fairchild moved that the Board of Education approve the attached contract for Richard Franklin, Superintendent as presented.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

2. Joseph Huepenbecker.

1161314 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve the attached contract for Joseph Huepenbecker, High School Principal/Transportation Director as presented.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

3. Shirley Dowd.

1171314 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the attached contract for Shirley Dowd, Executive Assistant - Finance as presented.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

4. Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Compliance.

1181314 Mr. Chapman moved that the Board of Education approve the GMS authorization for Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Compliance as presented.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

5. Patricia Donato.

1191314 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the attached contract for Patricia Donato, Food Service Director as presented.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

6. Diana Casselman.

1201314 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the attached contract Diana Casselman, Executive Assistant as presented.

Second: Mr. McClure.

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

7. Colleen Swank.

1211314 Mr. Stanton moved that the Board of Education approve the attached contract for Colleen Swank, Director of Title I Services as presented.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

8. Public Comments.

Mr. Loew will not be at next month's board meeting (July, 2014).
Pledge of Allegiance

Break: 9:22 p.m.

9. Closed Session – Negotiations.

A. Closed Session.

1221314 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of collective bargaining negotiations.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Kacie Brunner-Yes; Joel Chapman-Yes; Craig Fairchild-Yes; John Knowles-Yes; Daniel Loew, Sr.-Yes; Eric McClure-Yes; Dennis Stanton-Yes.

B. Return to Open Session.

1231314 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education return to open session.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 10:29 p.m.

10. Adjournment.

1241314 Mr. Knowles moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

Time of adjournment: 10:37 p.m.

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