

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Athens, Michigan 49011-9781
November 15, 2010

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 7:00 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

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

Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

0451011 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. NONE.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. TPTA – Design Options.

Brent & Shawn (TPTA) and Mike (Frederick Construction)

Discussions: Placement of classrooms on the west end of the building. Information was shared regarding placement of classrooms on the east and west end of the building. Options were presented for the new additions to the high school building. A list was given of completed-to-date, in process and looking ahead. Also shared was the construction schedule.

0461011 Mr. Stanton moved to amend the agenda, adding 7. F. Approve the contract for TPTA.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

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

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

0471011 Mrs. Smittendorf moved approval of the minutes of the October 4, 2010 Special Meeting and the October 18, 2010 Regular Meeting as presented.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

B. Presentation of financial statements.

0481011 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 October 31, 2010.

Second: Mrs. Weeks.

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

6. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

Held inception meeting with Hi-Tec Building Services. They will begin December 20, 2010.

Mr. Franklin will attend a Set/Seg sponsored seminar on bullying prevention on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at St. Joseph ISD.

Cookie dough arrives tomorrow.

C. High School Principal.

No written report. Mr. Franklin shared of the new staff at the high school.

D. Athletic Director.

Championship sign for Districts, etc. have been put up on the walls in the gym.

Volleyball team won the Big 8 Conference Championship.

We hosted the District #99 and won.

Mr. Hobbs shared the estimate for re-doing the high school gym floor.

E. Technology Director. No written report.

F. Curriculum Director.

Mr. Dubbeld has a tem working on new child study process using SIDR.

He shared the student intervention data review checklist.

MEAP testing is finished and sent in.

Information was shred on test results over the past few years.

7. Old and New Business.

A. Resolution: Change in Elections.

0491011 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution #1, Option B to change the elections.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

B. NEOLA – Board Policy Updates.

0501011 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the attached board policy updates.

Second: Mrs. Smittendorf.

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

C. New Hires.

1. High School Counselor.

0511011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Mr. Lloyd Service as the high school counselor.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

2. Math Teacher.

0521011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Mrs. Sarah Low as the high school mathematics teacher.

(NOTE: Sarah is replacing Jennifer McCreight and has given her two-week notice at Marshall Academy.)

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

D. Parent Advisory Appointment.

0531011 Mrs. Weeks moved that the Board of Education appoint Lisa and Ron Collins to the policy advisory for special education.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

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

E. Point-to-Point Radio Bridge.

0541011 Mrs. Falk moved that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to award the contract for construction and installation of a point-to-point wireless bridge for increasing network bandwidth to East Leroy Elementary School, in accordance with board policy on competitive bidding and the RFP posted on the district website.

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Five. Nays: Two (Chapman, Knowles). Motion: Passed.

F. Approve the Contract for TPTA.

0551011 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to sign the contract with Tower, Pinkster, Titus and Associates for the bond project.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

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

8. Adjournment.

0561011 Mrs. Falk moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mrs. Weeks.

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

Time of Adjournment: 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Loew, Secretary, Board of Education

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