

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

REGULAR MEETING
Media Center
7:00 P.M.

East Leroy Elementary
4320 K Drive South
TELEPHONE: 729-5419

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, Kendra Falk, Craig Fairchild, John Knowles,
Daniel Loew, Sr., and Dennis Stanton.

Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

1391112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Mr. Loew.

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

3. Public Comments.

Stan Skopek: State of Michigan reviewed a timeline of plan review and reasons for reviews.

Jason Vincent: Regarding maintenance issues he saw while working this summer on the school. Filter on units, exhaust fans that are not working that they repaired. Would like to point out that we need to make sure we maintain the new equipment.

4. Presentations.

A. Construction Update.

Ryan from Frederick Construction: Heat in high school up and running; the inside of the building is mostly complete.

Classrooms: Not quite ready to turn over yet and new target date is the end of October for classrooms.

Band Room: Still working on some masonry and brickwork;
75% complete

Having trouble keeping roofer on site; should be able to dry in by end of next week

Looking at mid to end of November for Band room to be turned over
Light in parking lots is being addressed and electrician is having new units supplied.

Will send us an update on contingency fund when he has received all bills that are required for boiler repair.

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

1401112 Mr. Loew moved approval of the minutes of the September 19, 2011 Regular Meeting and Closed Session as presented.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

B. Presentation of financial statements.

1411112 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 September 30, 2011.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

6. Reports.

A. Board President. NONE.

B. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- We do not have a final Fall count yet.
- Battle Creek Math and Science will refund on the 'Hot Plant Needs Cool Kids'.
- Will be recommending Julie Beal for the LRE para-pro position at next month's meeting.
- Thank you to Marshall Public Schools for allowing us to pick up free surplus equipment and furniture at the closed Sherman Elementary School.
- Presented a new contract for Mrs. Casselman for part-time Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

C. High School Principal.

- 8th grades came back from camp and had a good time
- MEAP is going well
- 20% parents showed up for conferences
- Homecoming was a success and kids behaved
- Requesting bids for maintenance prevention and filters to change
- Radios for buses estimated at \$9,600.00
- Recommend to sell the lift bus

Dennis Stanton left at 8:20 p.m. Vice-President Kendra Falk took over the meeting.

D. Athletic Director.

- Football Coach Scriber addressed the board. Would like to see cheerleading at the football games
- Recommendation for Nic Holibaugh as Varsity Boys Track Coach.

E. Technology Director.

- Purchased hard drives for new lab at the high school with leftover GAP grant money
- Spending time on Parent Connect

F. Curriculum Director.

- MEAP Testing has begun and November 2nd is the last day to ship materials
- Supplied a chart on Big 8 Conference ; average percentage from top to bottom lists 2011 that Athens is ranked #1 in the conference

7. Old and New Business.

A. Resolution – Insurance Policy Holder.

1421112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution for the Insurance Policy Holder.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

B. Contract Approval – Executive Assistant.

1431112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education approve the contract for Diana Casselman as the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

Second: Mr. Fairchild.

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

C. Approval of Track Coach.

1441112 Mrs. Brunner moved that the Board of Education approve Nic Holibaugh as the Varsity Boys Track Coach for the 2011-2012 school year.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

BOARD COMMENTS: Joel Chapman: Permit timeline. Kendra Falk: Band trip.

8. Adjournment.

1451112 Mr. Knowles moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mr. Chapman.

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

Time of Adjournment: 9:08 p.m.

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