

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS  
Board of Education  
East Leroy, Michigan 49051  
September 19, 2011

REGULAR MEETING  
Library Media Center  
7:00 P.M.

East Leroy Elementary  
4320 K Drive South  
TELEPHONE: 729-5427

1. The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Stanton at 7:10 p.m.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

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

Quorum: Present.

2. Approval of Agenda.

1301112 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. NONE.

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Construction Update

Ryan Collins: East Leroy work completed. High School interior: down to punch list; still some painting to touch up; ceiling mostly completed; clean up complete.

Additions: Unit A: Most block and brick work done; steel 100% complete; mechanical ready to run; plan to turn over second week in October.

Unit B: Masonry is in process; steel toward end of week.

Landscaping will probably be delayed; possible turn over end of October.

Former Masons: Preferred properties

Masonry: Sub now Novak. Lincoln Stevens happy with new company. They have been working everyday. Talked with them today and they seem to be okay at this point.

B. Audit Presentation.

Christin Ward from Willis & Jurasek, P.C. presented the audit.

## 5. Routine Matters.

## A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

1311112 Mr. Knowles moved approval of the minutes of the August 15, 2011, Regular Meeting as presented.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

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

## B. Presentation of financial statements.

1321112 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 August 31, 2011.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

## 6. Reports.

## A. Board President.

Mr. Stanton tried to call the parent from the last board meeting with no success.

## B. Superintendent/Elementary Principal.

- Picture day was today.
- Most things have gone well for the start of this year
- School nurse is in East Leroy two days per week and at the High School one day per week
- Soup-r-Bowl week going on this week
- Justice Fence has been contracted to erect safety fencing and guide wire sleeves
- Joel Chapman finished leveling the dirt around the radio tower for future fencing
- Dean Transportation gave update at Superintendent's ABC Meeting.

## C. High School Principal.

- We started on time
- Teachers are working well with the situation
- Teachers are using the ELMOs a lot.

## D. Athletic Director.

- No report
- Posted for Boys JV Basketball Coach

## E. Technology Director.

Cell plan under State of Michigan Mitah Program is not implemented.

## F. Curriculum Director.

- MEAP testing begins on October 11 and ends October 28
- Kelly Boris is our new Speech Pathologist from the Calhoun ISD
- Corrected our graduation rate for last year. Thanks to Joe Huepenbecker, Walter Dubbeld, Lisa Guseman and Diane Casselman
- Shared graph on MME

## 7. Old and New Business.

## A. Resolution: Employment of English Teacher

1331112 Mr. Fairchild moved that the Board of Education confirm the employment of Anna West as a teacher of English at Athens High School, in accordance with the recommendation of the high school principal and superintendent and consistent with the action of the superintendent on August 30, 2011 (ref. BOE Policy 3120) .

Second: Mr. Loew.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion Passed.

## B. NEOLA Board Policy Updates.

1341112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of Education approve NEOLA updates Vol. 25, No. 2, as presented, except for #6520: Payroll, rev.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

## 8. Closed Session: Student Discipline

## A. Closed Session

1351112 Mr. Knowles moved that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of student discipline, as requested in writing by the parents.

Second: Mrs. Falk.

Roll Call: Brunner – Yes; Falk – Yes; Fairchild – Yes; Loew – Yes; Knowles – Yes;  
Chapman – Yes; Stanton – Yes.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed. Time: 9:15 p.m.

B. Return to Open Session.

1361112 Mr. Loew moved that the board of education return to open session.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

Ayes: Seven. Nays: None. Motion: Passed Time: 9:40 p.m.

9. Action: Student Discipline

1371112 Mr. Loew moved that the Board of education reinstate Tyler Kissinger to 8<sup>th</sup> grade status with the stipulations that he have no major violations as deemed by Principal Huepenbecker and must attend mandatory after school tutoring as set forth by the Principal.

Second: Mr. Knowles.

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

10. Adjournment.

1381112 Mrs. Falk moved the meeting be adjourned.

Second: Mrs. Brunner.

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

Time of Adjournment: 9:42 p.m.

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