

Almond-Bancroft School District
1336 Elm St., Almond, WI 54909
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Meeting held at the Almond School
March 17, 2010 6:30 pm
OPEN MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1) Call Meeting to Order by President Danforth

Roy Danforth called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

2) Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum

___Bradley ___Danforth ___Dernbach ___Ellie ___Guth ___Wilson ___Smith

All board members were present. Administrators present were Dan Boxx and Jeff Rykal. Michele Warzynski, District Bookkeeper, was present. The members of the audience included Tom Collins, Brenda Ramczyk, Amanda Negro, Sarah Ritter, and Rochelle Schultz.

3) Proof of Posting of Meeting Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84

Dan Boxx reported that the meeting was posted according to statute.

4) Approval of Agenda

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Cathy Guth to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

There were no public appearances.

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

6A February 15, 2010 Regular meeting of the Board Open and Closed Session

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the open and closed session minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

6B February 17, 2010 Food Service/Activity Fund Committee

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the open and closed session minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

6C Special Board Meeting February 24, 2010

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the open and closed session minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Gary Smith to approve the current expenses and vouchers. Motion carried 7-0.

8) Announcements/Reports/Updates/Consent Items/Correspondence

8A District Administrator Report

There was a negotiations meeting that was held earlier in the week.

8B PK-12 Principal Report

Report on school activities

General Building Updates

Update on programs

Homecoming for the 2010-2011 school year will be October 15, 2010. We had someone from the Department of Justice come in and make a three-hour long presentation. It was very blunt and in your face. There will be a Sneeks Alive presentation on Friday involving snakes and possibly an alligator.

8C A.C.E.S. Report

Amanda Negro and Brenda Ramczyk made a presentation updating the board on the A.C.E.S. group activities. The ski trips to Nordic Mountain were a success. They went 4 times over 4 weeks. A few students are now hooked on the sport. A UWSP Ski Club member joined the club for trips and lessons. Next year the club plans to try to expand the skiing activities. A portion of the Bohn Lake Ice Age Trail has been adopted by the club. Once a month they check the trail and notify the DNR of anything that needs to be removed. The club is thinking of going to the Portage County Humane Society to work with the animals for half a day and spend the other half of the day at Iverson Park for a canoe trip. The A.C.E.S. club is looking into joining the High Adventure Club. Bill Harris is a partner in North American Hydro. He made a presentation to grades 7-12 to see how many students were interested. Twenty Almond Bancroft students attended. The fee is \$25 a student and involves 4 to 5 training sessions. There is a buddy system used when climbing. Environmentally the group concentrates on trying to leave the smallest footprint behind when they are hiking. Students would learn leadership skills, self-confidence, and respect for the outdoors. The coach to student ratio is 10. The trips are overnight. The summer trips would be outside of the normal school time. The staff is volunteering their time. Mr. Boxx and the board thanked Amanda and Brenda for the effort they put forth.

8C Tom C-AmeriCorp

Mr. Collin would like to partner with the YMCA to provide a few classes here in Almond. Also he would like to create a program for the atrium in the elementary school. A program that would enable the atrium to be useful for our students and staff for the entire year. The possibility of enclosing the area and using as a greenhouse was mentioned. Mr. Boxx needs a commitment from the staff in order to invest in the area. Mr. Collins is highly respected for the job he is doing. His work is sent and used as a reference for other Americorp workers.

9) Policy Development and Review

Review letter from WASB

We received a letter from WASB that is in your packets stating that Nancy Dorman will be involved in other responsibilities and will not have the availability that she did in the past to work on policies. The policy committee will meet after Mr. Boxx has called to see if we can get WASB recommendations for the policies we have yet to update.

10) Possible Action Items with Respect to:

10A Code Red-Approval for 2010-11

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Debbie Bradley to approve Code Red for the 2010-11 school year. Motion carried 7-0.

10B SAGE Waiver

Motion by Jerry Dernbach, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the request for a waiver for Third Grade for the 2010-11 school year. Motion carried 7-0.

10C Approve Open Enrollment Students

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Gary Smith to approve open enrollment students as listed. Motion carried 7-0.

10D Recommendation for Business Education and Yearbook advisor.

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve Ashley Mills as our new Business Education and Yearbook Advisor. Motion carried 7-0.

11) Items for Signatures

11A Signatures for meeting minutes

12) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

12A Regular Board of Education meeting Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

13) Roll Call-Adjournment to Closed Session

Consideration for movement into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Final Layoff Notice-Ben Corcoran, Administration negotiations-start discussions on admin. Staff, AAEA and ABESPA negotiations.

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jerry Dernbach to adjourn. Motion carried by roll call vote 7-0 at 7:49 p.m.

14) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Carol Ellie to return to open session at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried by roll call vote.

14A Action on items discussed in closed session if necessary

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to send Final Layoff Notice to Ben Corcoran. Motion passed by voice vote.

15) Adjournment

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Jerry Dernbach to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

School District Board President

Date

School District Board Clerk

Date