

Almond-Bancroft School District
1336 Elm St., Almond, WI 54909
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Meeting held at the Almond School
March 19th, 2008 6:30 pm
OPEN MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1) Call Meeting to Order by President

Roy Danforth called the meeting to order at 6:30 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. Members of the audience included Renee Hunkins, Matthew Bickford, Wendy Bickford, Sandy Ciula, Mickie Pagel, Spence Bunders, Sara Blokhuis, Amanda Davy, Brenda Ramczyk, Cindy Wills, Sarah Ritter, Bill Wagner, Jeff Kujawa, Alan Meddaugh, SuAnn Pagel-Rast, Karen Warner, Curt Lamb, and Andrew Bradley.

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 Cathy Guth, second by Debbie Bradley to approve the agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

Spence Bunders gave a progress report and estimated timeline for the Almond Bancroft Sports Complex Improvement Project. The Booster Club has raised approximately \$11,450. Letters asking for donations have been sent out to alumni and businesses in the area. Also there will be a chicken dinner on April 20. Thrivent Financial has agreed to match the funds raised at the chicken dinner. There will be updates in the newsletter and at board meetings. The Booster Club is hoping to have the money needed to move forward with getting the bleachers installed in August.

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

6A February 20, 2008, Regular meeting of the Board Open Session

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Cathy Guth to approve the current expenses and vouchers. Motion carried 6-0.

8) Announcements/Reports/Updates/Consent Items

8A District Administrator Report

Mr. Boxx asked the board if they would be interested in having him looked into summer school for the district. The summer school could include gifted and talented classes, remedial classes, and basic skills for volleyball, basketball, etc. Mr. Boxx will look into the possibilities.

8B PK-12 Principal Report

Report on school activities

General Building Updates

Updates on programs

Kindergarten registration is finished. We will have an estimate of the number of students by the next board meeting. Child screening and 4k registrations has been completed. Author Jim Pope visited the 4th grade classrooms and read part of his book "Everyday Adventures of a Farm Boy in the 50's". Every student received a copy of the book and a stick like pencil. The human development instruction will be complete soon for the 4th and 5th graders. On April 22nd Fast Horses will give a cultural presentation. There will be a Town Hall meeting April 10th at 6 pm. April 28th will be a strategic planning meeting. The dodge ball tournament last Friday night was a great time. There will be a music and band concert for the elementary students. Drama class will put on a play for the elementary students the 2nd week in April. The senior trip will be for 4 days and 3 nights, a Friday through Monday. Lamers was used for the itinerary. There were Internet Safety Presentations to the MS and HS last Monday informing our students about the dangers of the internet. April 21st to 25th is prom week. On April 22nd the Baxtrum Family will give a presentation on drinking and driving. The ACES group started by Brenda Ramczyk and Amanda Davy has gone on another ski trip. They also sold concessions at the dodge ball tournament. A hayride will be scheduled soon. Thanks to Amanda and Brenda for their hard work. Homecoming will be September 26, 2008 versus Marion. Pep rally will most likely be on Wednesday like it was this past year. We will need volunteers in April to plant the 7,500 trees that will be coming for the school forest. The HS awards ceremony is May 12th. We are in the midst of student schedules for next year and teachers are budgeting for next year.

8C Reports from Band and Art Departments

March is Art Month. Sarah Ritter gave a presentation regarding the importance of art in the lives of our students. Art helps our students with the vital modes of seeing, imagining, inventing, and thinking.

9) Policy Development and Review

9A Second Reading Early Graduation Policy

Motion by Gary Smith, second by Debbie Bradley to approve the Early Graduation Policy. Motion carried 6-0.

9B Homecoming Court Selection Procedures 373-Rule

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Carol Ellie to approve the Homecoming Court Selection Procedures 373-Rule. Motion carried 6-0.

9C First Reading of Series 700-Support Services

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10) Possible Action Items with Respect to:

10A Cesa 5-9 08-09 service contracts

Motion by Debbie Bradley, second by Jerry Dernbach to approve the Cesa 5-9 08-09 service contracts. Motion carried 6-0.

10B Approve Open Enrollments for 2008-09

Motion by Jerry Dernbach, second by Gary Smith to approve open enrollments for 2008-09. We have 3 coming in and 11 of the ones going elsewhere are students that are in 4K this year. Mr. Boxx will be sending out questionnaires to find out why families are choosing to go elsewhere. Motion carried 6-0.

10C Goals for 08-09 discussion

Strategic planning is for the community and these goals would be the board's goals for the school district. They should coincide with the strategic plans but are different than the strategic goals.

10D 2008-09 Calendar

Defer discussion of the 2008-09 Calendar to closed session.

10E Approve Youth Options

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve two students for Youth Options. Motion carried 6-0.

10F Recommendation for long-term substitute

Jeff Rykal said that after holding interviews the best candidate for the long-term substitute position is Andrew Bradley.

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 16, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

12B Election Day, Tuesday, April 1, 2008

12C Town Hall Meeting, Thursday, April 10, 2008 Almond School

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. (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. AAEA contract update (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Grievance update

Motion by Jeanette Wilson, second by Carol Ellie to adjourn to closed session at 7:30 p.m. Roll call vote 7-0.

14) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

Motion by Jerry Dernbach, seconded by Gary Smith to return to open session. Roll call vote 7-0.

14A Action on items discussed in closed session if necessary

Motion by Debbie Bradley, seconded by Jerry Dernbach to table decision on 2008-09 calendar until the April 16, 2008 meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

15) Adjournment

Motion by Debbie Bradley, seconded by Jerry Dernbach to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0.

School District Board President

Date

School District Board Clerk

Date