

Almond-Bancroft School District
1336 Elm St., Almond, WI 54909
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Meeting held at the Almond School
May 21, 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 except Debbie Bradley and Jerry Dernbach. Administrators present were Dan Boxx and Jeff Rykal. Michele Warzynski, District Bookkeeper, was present. Members of the audience included Sandy Ciula, Matthew Bickford, Spence Bunders, Wendy Bickford, Karen Warner, Mickie Pagel, SuAnn Pagel-Rast, Linda McLarnan, Missy Henske, Laura Geisendorfer, and Derick Geisendorfer.

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 Gary Smith to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

There were no public appearances before the board.

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

6A April 16, 2008 Regular meeting of the Board Open and Close Session

Motion by Jeanette Wilson, second by Carol Ellie to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

6B April 16, 2008 Negotiations Committee Closed Session

Moved to Closed Session

6C April 30, 2008 Special Board Meeting

Motion by Jeanette Wilson, second by Carol Ellie to approve open session minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

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 4-0.

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

8A District Administrator Report

Summer school courses will be offered if there are at least 8 students enrolled. Current enrollment is approximately 75 students. This number does not include band or driver's ed. The estimated increase in revenue is approximately \$27,000. We are able to offer summer school lunch for free.

8B PK-12 Principal Report

Ethan Meddaugh and Katie Schude were Principals for a Day. Patience Turner and Deana Clark were Deans for the Day. The Rural Youth Safety Day for 4th grade was held. First grade took a walk and visited local businesses. Third grade went to Leigh Youkey Art Museum. The top 12 safety cadets went to Wisconsin Dells. Kindergarten and 1st grade went to the Carrie School Forest. Mr. Young is teaching his roller blading unit. Second grade went to Point Basse. Fifth grade toured the middle and secondary school areas. Also they had 6th grade orientation. Title I had story telling evening. PIE had a babysitting clinic for the 5th and 6th graders. PIE also had staff appreciation breakfast. There was a Staff Appreciation Lunch for the staff, retirees, and board members. The middle/high school concerts sounded great. Sixth grade went to the Outdoor Expo. Middle school had their track meet and went to the school forest. The Library Club went to the Fox Valley Museum. Awards night and the Athletic banquet were held. There has been some band recruiting of the 5th grade students. Stephanie Rodriquez and Justine Karaba made it to Regionals in Track this year. The softball team made it to the second game in regionals. There was a spa night for Senior Tea organized by PIE. The elementary concert is at 2:00 pm tomorrow. Graduation is at 2:00 pm on Sunday. The track team is going to regionals on Thursday at TriCounty. The Safety Cadets will be going to the Dells on the 27th. The 5th grade will be going to UWSP on Friday. Kindergarten will go to the Elk Farm and to the Madison Zoo. First grade will go to the Dells. Eight grade graduation and middle school awards ceremonies are at 2:00 p.m. on June 3rd. PIE will be putting together the banquet for 8th grade graduation. Middle school students will go on their reward trip to the Dells. Elementary awards are at 12:30 p.m. on June 6th. The bike rodeo put together by Sarah Blokhuis will be May 28th for 2nd thru 4th graders. Baseball regionals are Friday. After school tutoring is completed for the year. A strategic planning meeting will be held this fall. We are wrapping up the grants for the year.

9) Policy Development and Review

9A Second Reading of Policy Defining Full Time Student, First Reading Cell Phone Use

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Gary Smith to approve the Policy Defining Full Time Students. Motion carried 4-0. The cell phone policy will be in the Elementary and Secondary Handbooks and the August Newsletter.

9B Review and discussion regarding fund raising policy.

Discussion was held.

10) Possible Action Items with Respect to:

10A Booster Club project

The chicken dinner was a huge success. The Booster Club received matching funds from Thrivent Financial. Today the Booster Club has a little more than \$42,000 towards the project. There was a \$6,000 increase in the cost of the bleachers due to an increase in the cost of aluminum. A custom aluminum sign will be made for each business that contributes over a certain dollar amount. The total cost of the signs will be about \$3,000 to \$4,000. The sprinklers are costly but the club will have help with the installation. At worst the completed project should be between \$70,000 and \$75,000. That includes the bleachers and the sprinklers. Mr. Boxx will come back in June with a number that the school can contribute to the project. Motion made by Carol Ellie, second by Gary Smith to table the dollar amount until the next board meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

10B Easement through School Forest

Mr. Dernbach said the easement was fine. Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jeanette Wilson to approve the easement through the School Forest. Motion carried 4-0.

10C Handbook revisions

Changes include a new procedure for Discipline Plans. The strike cards will not be used next year. The school colors policy was updated for the green and white Almond School colors with black being the accent color. Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Cathy Guth to approve handbooks for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

10D Request for Early Graduation

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Carol Ellie to approve the request for early graduation. Motion carried 4-0.

10E Approve Education for Employment Plan

Motion by Gary Smith, second by Carol Ellie to approve the Education for Employment Plan. Motion carried 4-0.

10F Winter Sports Coaches-Contracts

Moved to closed session.

11) Items for Signatures

11A Signatures for meeting minutes

12) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

12A Graduation-Sunday, May 25, 2008 at 2:00

12B Regular Board of Education meeting Wednesday, June 18, 2008 at 6:30pm

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. Possible discussion of coaching staff (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, Administrative team (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/Act 11

Motion by Jeanette Wilson, second by Carol Ellie to adjourn to closed session at 7:28 p.m. Roll call vote 5-0.

14) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

Motion by Gary Smith, second by Carol Ellie to return to open session. Roll call vote 5-0.

14A Action on items discussed in closed session if necessary

Motion by Carol Ellie, second by Cathy Guth to table winter coaching contracts until the June board meeting. Motion 4-0.

15) Adjournment

Motion by Cathy Guth, second by Jeanette Wilson to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0 at 8:57 p.m.

School District Board President

Date

School District Board Clerk

Date