

Almond-Bancroft School District
1336 Elm St., Almond, WI 54909
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Meeting held in boardroom Almond School
August 15, 2007 6:30 pm

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1) Call Meeting to Order by President Danforth

2) Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum

__Bradley __Danforth __Dernbach __Ellie __Guth __Wilson __Smith

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

4) Approval of Agenda

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

6A July 16, 2007, 6:00 pm-Negotiations, Personnel, & Transportation Committee Open and Closed Session

6B July 18, 2007, 6:30 pm-Regular Meeting of the Board Open and Closed Session

6C August 23, 2007, 6:00 pm-Special Board Meeting of the Board Open Session

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

8) Announcements/Reports/Updates/Consent Items

8A District Administrator Report
07-08 budget
School owned vehicle savings
Cash Borrowing-explanation and discussion
WASB convention

8B PK-12 Principal Report
General building updates
Grant update
4K program

9) Policy Development and Review

9A Second reading of the 300 series (instruction) board policies.

10) Action Items

10A Strategic Planning Action Committee
Update-Mr. Gerlach and Ms. Ciula
10B Approve Extra-Curricular Contracts
10C Shed placement

11) Items for Signatures

12) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

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. Stipend request for school personnel, recommendation and review of new employees (HS English, 4K Aide and Elementary Aide), (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 and ABESPA negotiations update, review legal firms, (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice.
Grievances

14) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

14A Action on items discussed in closed session if necessary.

15) Adjournment

8) Annoucement/Reports/Updates/Oonsent Items

- 8A) 07-08 Budget. We are awaiting the final numbers from the auditor. It is very difficult to put together an accurate budget because; 1). Final state aid amount from state, 2) not having the contracts agreed upon. I will do my best to work on getting agreements with both the professional and support staff, with consent from the board's negotiation's team.

Spreadsheet showing the savings of school owned vehicle. Pay back will be in two years.

Cash borrowing-I know this is something that has never been done in AB but I would like to explain and discuss this program as it could mean a positive cash flow for the district. I would do all the paperwork. Cost would be approximately \$1500 for review of paperwork, providing resolutions for BOE to pass, and bidding out the bonds. Current rates to borrow money 3.22% reinvest with Local Government Investment Pool 5.18%. If the BOE is interested I will complete paperwork and get definite numbers.

WASB convention-Milwaukee-January 23-25, 2008.

10) Action Items

- 10A Strategic Planning Action Committee
Update-Mr. Gerlach and Ms. Ciula. The committee would like to have the BOE make a motion to support the plan as presented.
- 10B Approve Extra-Curricular Contracts-Mr. Rykal would like to recommend contract approval for all extra-curricular contracts-he will discuss positions we are still looking to fill.
- 10C Shed placement-Decision needs to be made on the placement of the new shed.

Closed sessions items

Stipend request for Jeff and Michele
Recommendation to hire –Nicole Brandt-HS English, PK4 Aide, Elementary Aide
Update on negotiations
Computer Security
Review correspondence from Jeff Jones
Review legal firms-I worked with Ruder Ware and with Jeff Jones while in Rib Lake. I was concerned about his recommendations and confidence level in his approach with union leadership. After time and several issues the BOE decided to retain the services of another law firm. After talking with Joe and Jeff, it sound like AB is having some of the same issues. I will address my concerns at the meeting. Please review the materials from Lathrop & Clark. Fees-Ruder Ware-Jeff Jones \$240 per hour. Lathrop & Clark-Partners \$210-\$240 per hour. I would like to see attorney fees decreased for 07-08. I spoke with Mr. Julka and he would be happy to attend a BOE meeting to answer any questions. I think with his experience (with Mr. Ivey, school matters, personnel) we should be able to save money.