

Almond Bancroft School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, May 16, 2016 6:30 pm
Almond, WI

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1) Call Meeting to Order by President Bradley

2) Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum

*__Bradley __Danforth __Dernbach __ K Dernbach __ Ruzicka __Warzynski __Weiss
All board members were present. Members of administration were Mr. Boxx, District Administrator, and
Mr. Rykal, Principal. Michele Warzynski, District Bookkeeper was present.*

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

Mr. Boxx reported meeting was posted according to Statute

4) Approve Agenda

Motion by Jerry Dernbach second by Kim Weiss to approve agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

Mrs. Kaepfel presented that each student now has been tested and their individual reading skills recorded. This enables staff to teach reading and comprehension to their individual level. Each classroom teacher can check out books at each student's level. Mrs. Bradley would like to know how students are progressing. If we have data that shows that each class has advanced using the new Fountas and Pinnell reading system. Middle school students are teaming up with first grade students to read and produce books of their own. The program is helping the first graders avoid the same mistakes that middle school students have experienced. They are sharing and learning together. Mr. Collins and Mrs. Kaepfel wrote for the Trifecta Grant and received it. There will be 12 to 15 students in a group that will meet 4 times next year during boys and girls club time and each will receive a book.

Erika Spear and Katie Ziebell presented the state testing results. Our students compared to the state are scoring higher than the average. We are slightly lower than the state average for proficient or advanced ELA (reading and language). We are higher than 3 area schools. Our students are slightly higher than the state average for proficient or advanced in Math. We are also higher than those 3 area schools in math.

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

*6A April 20, 2016, Regular Board Minutes Meeting of the Board Open and Closed Session
May 9, 2016 Special Board Meeting Minutes of Open Session*

Motion by John Ruzicka second by Bonnie Warzynski to approve minutes for the April 20, 2016 meeting of the board open and closed session and the May 9, 2016 Special Board Meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

Motion by Roy Danforth second by Kim Weiss to approve current expenses and vouchers payable. Motion carried 7-0. The code 10 E 29- pertains to retiree health insurance expense. In the past we have utilized Fund 73 to pay for retiree health insurance expense. We are unable to fund Fund 73. I will be closing the Fund and transferring the monies that are there. In the end we will incur close to the \$65,630. The 10 E 43- accounts are the open enrollment out expenses. We are as a whole with open enrollment out and in \$28,239 to the red. That equates to approximately 4.25 students. Most of the budgeted revenues that have not been entered have not been received yet. The only number I need to do more research on is the per pupil aid and the high cost transportation aid. It is hard to determine the exact amount because of all the different factors that go into the final number.

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

8A Correspondence-Recording Clerk-M Warzynski

8B District Administrator Report

8C PK-12 Principal Report

Report on school activities

General Building Updates

Update on programs

The band concert was great. 5th through 12th grade students working as a team. Awards night was successful. Choir concert is tomorrow night. The athletic banquet is on Wednesday. The safety cadets will be going on their end of the year trip. Elementary awards are soon and a bike will be given away to the most outstanding cadet again this year. 5th grade are going to UWSP to the National History Museum and the Planetarium, having a picnic and then bowling at the end of the day. The bike rodeo is on the 23rd. The senior trip went well. Great compliments on the behavior of our students. 19 students went. Ms. Spear and Mr. Rykal chaperoned. The seniors last day is May 26th and practice is the 27th. Middle school is touring the Packer Stadium or Heritage Hill. Then they are going to Bay Beach. 8th grade graduation is June 1st and PIE follows with a reception for students and parents. 4k graduations are the 31st and the 1st.

9) Donations to the Almond-Bancroft School District

None

10) Policy Development and Review

10A Board Authority 161-First Reading

10B Board Member Access to Information-First Reading

Bonnie Warzynski wants to know why we have to have policies if they are the law. Mr. Boxx said they are an interpretation of the law so general public can understand.

11) Possible Action Items with Respect to:

11A Approve overnight FFA trip

The FFA banquet was attended by 72 students and parents. FFA members (students) did most of the presenting. There will be a field trip to a cheese factory, a dairy, 1000 Island and Sunset Blvd. State FFA Convention will be June 14th and back on June 15th. Motion by Roy Dernbach second by Kim Weiss to approve overnight trip for FFA state convention. Motion carried 7-0.

11B Board members to review and sign the Suggested Guidelines for Successful and Effective Board interaction.

Board members signed.

11C Election of President (Debbie Bradley), Vice-president (Roy Danforth), Clerk (Open), and Treasurer (Keith Dernbach). In addition WASB (Jerry Dernbach) and CESA (Debbie Bradley) representatives, establishing board committees.

Motion by Roy Danforth second by Keith Dernbach to nominate Bonnie Warzynski. Motion by John Ruzicka to nominate Debbie Bradley. Motion fails for lack of a second. Motion carried 7-0 Bonnie Warzynski, President. Motion by Bonnie Warzynski second by Jerry Dernbach to nominate Roy Danforth as Vice President. Motion carried 7-0. Motion by Jerry Dernbach second by Roy Danforth to nominate Kim Weiss as Clerk. Motion carried 7-0. Motion by Roy Danforth second by Kim Weiss to nominate Keith Dernbach as Treasurer. Motion carried 7-0. Jerry Dernbach will be our WASB representative and Bonnie Warzynski will be our CESA representative.

Buildings and Grounds Committee- Jerry Dernbach, Keith Dernbach, and John Ruzicka

Personnel Committee-Roy Danforth, Kim Weiss, and Debbie Bradley

Policy Committee-Bonnie Warzynski, Kim Weiss, and Roy Danforth

Public Relations Committee-Kim Weiss, Keith Dernbach, and Bonnie Warzynski

11D Designation of depositories and newspaper

Motion by Roy Danforth second by Jerry Dernbach to approve Portage County Bank, Bancroft State Bank, State of Wisconsin-Local Government Investment Pool, Mid-America Administrative & Retirement Solutions Inc. as the designated depositories. Motion carried 7-0. Motion by Roy Danforth to designate Waushara Argus second by John Ruzicka. Motion by Kim Weiss to table until next board

meeting to provide more information regarding cost second by Keith Dernbach. Motion carried 6-1 with Roy Danforth voting no.

- 11E Personnel: Resignations-Kevin VanderLaan-Crystal Frank, Ass't Play Director/ Recommendations
Motion by Jerry Dernbach second by Debbie Bradley to approve resignation of Kevin VanderLaan Physical Ed Teacher and Crystal Frank Ass't Play Director. Motion carried 7-0.
- 11F Approve service contracts with Cesa 5, 9, and 10
Motion by Roy Danforth second by Jerry Dernbach to approve Cesa 10 contract for \$12,720 for Distance Learning Lab, Cesa 9 \$1,727for Erate, and Cesa 5 \$119,297. Motion carried 7-0.
- 11G Approve open enrollment students- Sadly we are losing 9 PK students to Tomorrow River (please see map) As you can see all students live in the hwy 54 area and are approx. 9 miles to TR and 13-14 to Almond.
Motion by Debbie Bradley second by Kim Weiss to approve open enrollment students as presented. Motion carried 6-1 with Jerry Dernbach voting no.
- 11H Meal price increase .10 for 2016-17
Motion by Debbie Bradley second by Roy Danforth to approve increase in meal prices by \$0.10 for 2016-17 PK-5 1.95 to 2.05 Grades 6-12 2.20 to 2.30, Adult 3.10 to 3.20 Breakfast 1.20 to 1.30 Adult 1.95 to 2.05 to stay within government guidelines. Motion carried 7-0.
- 11I Bancroft School procedures
Motion by John Ruzicka to rescind the April 20, 2016 motion for a non-binding referendum second by Kim Weiss to be able to discuss. Kim Weiss feels that we need to be transparent and that the discussion of rescinding this vote from April 20th needs to be brought to the communities in a timely manner. Debbie Bradley voted nonbinding so that the board could still make the decision based on financial concerns. What if our state aid is a \$100,000 shortfall. We have to lay off three teachers? We have 28 kids in a second grade class? To not be caught in a situation where the board might want to make that decision and the board cannot if it goes to referendum. Kim Weiss said zoning is an issue. She would like to see that if we close the school we leave the Bancroft community in the best possible situation that we can. Motion denied 1-6 with John Ruzicka voting yes. The wording of the resolution, transportation questions, enrollment questions, questions regarding location of where students would be in Almond etc will need further discussion. A meeting to explain the resolution language should be held prior to the vote.
- 11J Athletic Field update
Fields have been thatched and crab grass prevention has been used. They will be fertilized and aerated. Try to do some over seeding on the practice field. The magic granite that is on the infields is moving in the grass. We are working on keeping it where it needs to be. With the use of the field it moves.
- 11K Approve 3 year agreement with Stalker for gym floors-Already have agreement for East gym at \$11,300 (June 2016). Looking at a 3 year agreement for the two gyms-East gym done in June and main gym done before basketball season.
Motion by Roy Danforth second by Kim Weiss to approve contract with Stalker for resurfacing and coating the gym floors. \$2,500 new gym \$2,150 for old gym (training site would be \$1,550) -3 year contract. June 2017 East Gym- Main gym would be done between volleyball and basketball and water based 2016. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Keith Dernbach recusing himself.

12) Items for Signatures

12A Signatures for meeting minutes

13) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

13A June 15, 2016, 6:30 p.m. at Almond School

13B Future agenda items for discussions-Student and Staff Handbooks

Middle school/High school curriculum and numbers enrolled and courses offered. Graduation requirements compared to state testing results. Show the board that students are progressing. Kim Weiss would like to discuss graduation date.

14) Adjournment

Motion by Jerry Dernbach second by Keith Dernbach to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 at 8:59 p.m.