

ATHENS AREA SCHOOLS
Board of Education
East Leroy, Michigan 49051
September 19, 2022

REGULAR MEETING
High School Media Center
7:00 P.M.

Athens High School
300 E. Holcomb Street, Athens
TELEPHONE: 729-5414

1. Call to order, Mr. John Knowles presiding at 7:00 PM.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: X Kacie Brunner AB Dennis Stanton AB Mike Harvey
X John Knowles X Joel Chapman X Eric McClure AB Jason Stanton

A quorum X is, is not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR SUE HARVEY

2. Approval of Agenda.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented/amended.

Motion: Mr. Joel Chapman.

Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: .

3. Public Comments.

- *Kelly Hulce: Thanked Janice Rubley for taking care of flower beds at East Leroy Elementary. Issue re: watering plants. Idea of rolling duties into custodial, etc. Position.*

4. Presentations/Discussions.

A. Middle School Abatement

- *Martin and Associates was lowest bid for former MS building abatement.*
- *Recommending approval of their bid.*

B. Paraprofessional Hires

- *Maddelyn Merry: Spec Ed one-on-one for elementary student.*
- *Crystal Stein: Spec Ed one-on-one for middle school student.*

C. Bus Driver Hires

- *Jamie Walling*
- *Darrel Vorce: wants to be available for extra trips, etc.*

D. Cook Hire

- *Beth Green: substitute cook position/currently filling in at ELE.*

E. COVID Update

- *Recommended to follow CDC Guidelines/Recommendations by CCPHD.*

5. Routine Matters.

A. Presentation of minutes of prior meetings:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approval of the minutes of the August 15, 2022 Regular Meetings as presented/amended.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.

Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

B. Presentation of financial statements.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education receive and place on file for audit the financial reports for the District for the period through August 31, 2022.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner.

Second: Mr. Joel Chapman.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

6. Reports.

A. Board President.

- *Absent*
- *Requesting volunteers for Homecoming game Friday, September 23.*

B. Facilities/Planning Committee.

- *Shared next steps on upcoming projects, including former MS building abatement.*
- *Shared safety set-up for abatement while practice gym in use.*

C. Superintendent

- *See attached report.*
- *Thanked Sue Harvey for her years of service to District and honored her passing.*

D. High School Administrator

- *See attached report.*
- *Fall homecoming is Friday, September 23rd*
- *Parent/teacher conferences are September 29th*

E. Elementary Principal

- *See attached report.*
- *Thanked ELE staff for welcoming her and being so willing to help each other/support each other.*

F. Athletic Director.

- *See attached report.*
- *Shared fall sports update.*

G. Assessment, Special Education and Compliance Officer.

- *See attached report.*
- *Very pleased with special education staff.*

7. Action Items.

A. Middle School Abatement Contract

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Martin and Associates for the abatement at Athens Area Middle School for the cost of \$62,608.00

Motion: Mr. Joel Chapman

Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: _____.

B. 1 Paraprofessional Hire

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Maddelyn Merry as a paraprofessionals.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner
Second: Mr. Joel Chapman
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: .

B. 2 Paraprofessional Hire

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Chrystal Stein as a paraprofessionals.

Motion: Mr. Joel Chapman
Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: .

B. 3 Cook Hire

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Beth Greene as a substitute cook.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner
Second: Mr. Eric McClure
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: .

C.1. Bus Driver Hire

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Jamie Walling as a substitute bus driver.

Motion: Mr. Joel Chapman
Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: .

C.2. Bus Driver Hire

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Darrel Vorce as a substitute bus driver.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure
Second: Mr. joel Chapman
Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 .
Passed: X . Defeated: .

8. Public Comment

- None

Break Out: 7:41 p.m. In 7:47 p.m.

9. Closed Session.

A. Negotiations – Administrative Staff and Bus Drivers

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with Administration and Bus Drivers over compensation.

Motion: Mr. Eric McClure.

Second: Mr. Joel Chapman.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Brunner: Y Stanton, D: AB Harvey: AB
Knowles: Y Stanton, J: AB McClure: Y Chapman: Y

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: . Time: 7:48 p.m..

Board President calls for the return to Open Session.

Time 8:10 p.m.

10. Compensation Increase – If Needed

B.1. Bus Drivers

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the presented one dollar (\$1) per run increase for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years, with steps authorized for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion: Mr. Joel Chapman

Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0.

Passed: X. Defeated: .

B.2. Administration

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the presented Administrative compensation packages for the years 2022-2025 school years.

Motion: Mrs. Kacie Brunner

Second: Mr. Eric McClure

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

Passed: X Defeated: _____

11. Adjournment.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Mr. John Knowles

Second: Mrs. Kacie Brunner

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0

Passed: X Defeated: _____

Time of adjournment: 8:13 p.m.

Minutes signed by: , Acting Secretary of the Board of Education

Minutes prepared by: Angie Harris, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

Approved for publication by the Board: October 17, 2022 (date)