

Unadopted Minutes
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Albany Area Schools – ISD #745
Held at Farming Community Center
February 4, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Winkels at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Winkels, Hansen, Seiler, Dirkes, Kreuzer, McLachlan Student Representatives: Silvers, Rieland

Late: none Absent: Gersch, Hartwig

3. Agenda- Additions or Deletions

3.1 9.5 Add: Requests for Early Graduation

4.0 Public Forum--No requests

5.0 Approvals

5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes Motion by Kreuzer, seconded by Seiler to approve the prior minutes from the January 7, 2015 regular meeting.

Supported by all Present

5.2 Cash Flow Report and Budget to Actual

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Dirkes to approve the December Cash Flow Report.

Supported by all Present

6. Consent Agenda

AFT: Lane Change: Karla Welle BA + 15 to BA + 30 Leslie Thesing BA + 30 to BA + 45

Michael Rien, Department Chair-Tech Ed

Daniel Fragodt, from Jr High Track Coach to Assistant Track Coach

LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE: Gina Benson and Stephanie Loechen

AESP: Kristie Kirckof from Cook's Helper to AlaCarte Cook

Alissa Klemmer, reassigned to ECC

Extra Curriculars/Community Education/Additional Services:

Doug Lien, Head Boys' Golf Coach

Daniel Brady, Head Girls' Golf Coach

Kenedy Meyer, CE

Kids Company: Molly Gersch, Abby Gerads

LOA: One

Resignations/Retirement: Kathryn Neufeld, effective February 1, 2015

Kaitlyn Barten, Kids Co effective January 26, 2015

Donations:

\$ 50.00	Anonymous, Family Outreach-R# 51005
10,000.00	Tani Division-Bryan and Lynn Schiffler, Project Lead the Way-R# 51005
125.00	Land O'Lakes-General Acct-R# 50980
2,000.00	Albany Apothecary-Scholarship-R#50988
99.00	Cindy Nienaber w/promo Ludwig Photography-James Stueve Scholarship-R# 50980
148.00	Ross & Julie Voit w/promo Ludwig Photography-James Stueve Scholarship-R# 50980
4,000.00	Blattner Family Council-Scholarship-R# 50959
99.00	John Greer w/promo Ludwig Photography-James Stueve Scholarship-R# 51021
70.00	Dawn Smith - Albany Elementary R# 51050
500.00	Albany Mutual Telephone, Clay Target League-R#51054
500.00	Avon Sportsman Club, Scholarship Funds-R# 51077
500.00	Albany Jaycees, Athletics-R#51054
1,500.00	Albany Jaycees, Robotics R#51054
500.00	Albany Jaycees, Speech R#51055
2,000.00	Albany Jaycees, Special Needs R#51055

2,000.00	Albany Jaycees, Scholarships R#51055
1,000.00	Central Minnesota Manufacturers Association, Robotics-R#51106

Expenditures:

The following checks were issued in paying claims: Wire transfers and checks 82850-83086

01 General Fund	\$729,562.69
02 Food Services	\$59,778.82
04 Community Services	\$29,642.47
07 Debt Redemption	\$1,524,843.75
08 Scholarships	\$16,725.00

Special mention was made in regard to the generous donations received from our local businesses. The Board recognized the contributions of each of our contributors.

Motion by Hansen, second by Seiler to approve the consent agenda.

Supported by all Present

7. Education Report

7.1 Student Representative Report

- **Representative Silvers:**

- The Albany Dance Team took 7th in the section meet
- Albany Wrestlers are hosting the purple pride meet this week
- Boys and Girls Basketball are having a very successful season
- NHS is being hosted in St. Cloud on February 4th
- The Spring Musical, Math Team meet were two of several events highlighted.
- Snow Daze Coronation was mentioned including events during the week of coronation.

7.2 Purple Pride

- Nick Mergen won his 100th wrestling match
- Both the Boys and Girls Basketball Teams are doing well
- Ann Schultz reported that February is Heart Health Month. Many Students are participating in the fundraising. A chili cook-off scheduled to help raise awareness and funds.
- Reading contests are taking place as additional challenges for our students.
- Chairman Winkles and the board thanked Scott Hansen for his four years of leadership on our board.

7.3 Albany Elementary Staff

- The leadership team for Albany Elementary spoke about goals in improving skills:
 - Goal: increase reading proficiency through the Star 360 program
 - Integration Meetings were held to identify and improve technology.
 - "My Maps" were introduced in the social studies department.
 - "Other Happenings" highlighted the volunteers that have helped with the educational process at the schools and several activities hosted at the school to promote a fun, learning environment.
 - Owners of the Holiday Station in Sauk Centre have donated a dictionary to every 3rd grade student at Albany Elementary. Thank you for your generosity.

7.4 Career and Technology Education

- The Career and Tech Ed Staff reported on this program.
 - "Project Lead the Way" Curriculum was discussed along with the purpose and implementation of the program. This is a component of the tech ed/ag curriculum.
 - The specifics of the program and areas of focus were highlighted in the presentation. Students may receive college credits for their participation.
 - College in the Schools (CIS) courses will be provided. This is a Science College Credit course. There is an animal science and plant propagation component to the course. The goal of this program is to provide more opportunities for the students at Albany and give them the best chance for our students to succeed.
 - The Farm to School program was discussed. The purpose of this is to educate our students on locally grown foods and the importance of proper nutrition.
 - CASE (Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education) was discussed and aligns programs and compares student performance within the state and across the country. Grants are being applied for in this program for lab equipment.

8. Unfinished Business

8.1 Policy 430-Classified Substitute-Second Reading

This item tabled until March 4, 2015 regular meeting.

8.2 Policy 501 Weapons-Second Reading

Motion by Kreuzer, seconded by Dirkes to approve the MSBA model Policy 501

Supported by all Present

8.3 Policy 526 Hazing-Second Reading

Motion by Seiler, seconded by Hansen to approve the MSBA model Policy 526.

Supported by all Present

8.4 Policy 529 Staff Notification of Violent Behavior-Second Reading

Motion by Dirkes, seconded by Kreuzer to approve the MSBA model Policy 529.

Supported by all Present

8.5 Board Committee Structure

The Board Chairman and Superintendent will determine committee assignments.

8.6 Board Compensation

Motion by Seiler, seconded by Hansen to approve the compensation schedule currently in place.

Supported by all Present

8.7 Facilities/Survey

- Superintendent Johnson summarized prior facility discussions. Specific items include:
 - Enrollment has seen slow and steady growth
 - Square footage per student is substantially less than each of our surrounding districts.
 - Secondary School is full and outdated
 - 2007 and 2011 had failed referendums for facilities
 - The District is looking to seek a building bond that will take care of our district for the next 20 years. The last building was built twenty years ago
 - There is a tax neutral opportunity to accomplish this and to offer opportunities for our students and communities
 - Many surrounding districts are seeking approval for school facility improvements
 - Initial planning for facilities were discussed

8.8 AFT Seniority List-Second Read

Motion by Dirkes, seconded by Kreuzer to approve the 14-15 AFT Seniority List as updated.

Supported by all Present

9. New Business

9.1 Calendar Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PRE-LABOR DAY START

This is the first reading of the calendar resolution The board will act upon this resolution at the March Board Meeting

9.2 15-16 School Calendar

This is the first reading of the calendar. The board will act upon this at the March Board Meeting

9.3 Make-up Days-Weather Related Cancellations

Motion by Dirkes, second by Hansen to approve a change to the 14-15 School Calendar. March 23 will be a student contact day rather than a staff development day.

Supported by all Present

9.4 Schedule February Work Session

A February work session will be held at 6:00 pm in the Albany Board Room on February 25th.

9.5 Early Graduation Requests

Motion by Kreuzer, second by Hansen to approve the eight requests for an early graduation.

Supported by all Present

10. Board Committee Reports-Minutes attached to Board Book

10.1 Staff Development Report

10.2 WCED

10.3 Health and Safety Committee

10.4 Technology Steering Committee

10.5 Technology Committee Report

10.6 CMETS

10.7 MSBA Leadership Conference

- Board members reported on individual sessions attended.

11. Superintendent's Report

11.1 Education Foundation: Kreuzer, Winkles and Johnson have been meeting to form an Education Foundation and recently met with the Initiative Foundation to continue to form this Foundation.

11.2 Meet-Confer: Johnson spoke about getting together to have conversations with staff to continue to build positive relations.

11.3 Enrollment Update: 1,669 students are enrolled in the Albany School District

11.4 Community Meeting Dates: March 5th (Albany) and March 11th (Avon) were discussed as potential community meeting dates. These will take place at 7:00 pm.

12. Adjournment

Agenda completed at 9:11 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Hansen, seconded by Dirkes.

Supported by all Present

Dean Dirkes, Clerk

Greg Johnson, Superintendent