

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular
Meeting

Held at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. May 20,
2019

President, Rex Engle presided. Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call:

Rex Engle, present; Marc Zappa, present; Teresa Gilles, Present; Valerie Neidert, present; Ron Jacobozzi, present.

Steven Sayers, Superintendent, present; Amelia R. Giolfredo, Treasurer/CFO, present.

Each meeting of the Amherst Board of Education is held in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

2019-05-02

It was moved by Jacobozzi and seconded by Engle to adopt the agenda as presented, including any addendum(s).

Roll call vote:

Jacobozzi, aye; Neidert, aye; Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye;

Recognition of incoming staff:

Mrs. Schwartz introduced Corrie Engle, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Walker introduced Danielle Buczowski, Intervention Specialist, Steele
Ms. Giovnazzo introduced Kristen McKnight, 4th Grade ELA Teacher, Nord
Mr. Tellier introduced Eric Watts, Music Teacher, Steele

Recognition of retiring staff by Mr. Sayers

Certified Staff

Kirk Hagerich
William Matthews
Mark Skladan
Gary Sooy
Regina Weleh
Ruth Yulhasz
Kaye Zukowski

Classified Staff

Barbara Hyster
Kathleen Pozniak -- 25 years of service

Crystal Apple award presentation

Award Recipients:

Jennifer Denn
Sarah Yoder
Darcie Parsons

Recess for 10 minutes to enjoy cake and coffee and congratulate our retirees and Crystal Apple award recipients.

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5:53 p.m. break

Return to regular session at 6:03 p.m.

Hearing of the Public:

The Public Participation section of the Board of Education's agenda is specifically designed for the public to address the Board with their compliments and/or concerns. The Board welcomes and appreciates your comments. If you wish to address the board regarding a problem, please consider the following:

- First, your comments should be factual and respectful of the rights of others.
- Second, before addressing the Board with a specific problem, it is the Board's hope that you have first addressed the problem with the appropriate teacher, staff member or administrator.

Individual statements should not exceed five (5) minutes and total time shall be a maximum of thirty (30) minutes.

(If planning to address the Board, please complete the sign-in sheet).

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Amelia Gioffredo

Notes:

- Monthly FYTD report for April 2019 compared to FY18. Favorable variances are highlighted in green.

2019-05-03

It was moved by Zappa and seconded by Yacobozzi to approve the following:

- A. Amend and/or approve the board minutes for the 4-15-19 Regular Board Meeting.
- B. Approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of April 2019. (see Exhibits 11A, 11B, 11C).
- C. Approve the revision of appropriations and the "412 certificate".

516-9219 FY19 Spec Ed from	\$765,986.36 to \$760,256.88
572-9219 FY19 Title I from	\$378,305.88 to \$378,368.60
587-9219 FY19 ECSE from	\$ 18,598.62 to \$ 18,687.35
599-9219 FY19 Title IV-A from	\$ 35,359.81 to \$ 35,317.91

Ohio Department of Education has made more changes than usual to the CCIP allocations.

029-9218 ASEF from \$ 36,650.00 to \$128,217 (reflects the influx of cash for the scholarships from ASEF, as well as the Fine Arts Grants)

- D. Approve the Five-Year Forecast (see Exhibit 11D).
- E. Approve the 2019-2020 medical and dental rates as per Attachment 11A. (5% Health renewal; 6% Dental renewal.)

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F. Approve the agreement with SpyGlass Audit as per Exhibit 11E.

SpyGlass audits local & long-distance telephone, data, internet and POTSlines billing. They share any cost recovery from incorrect billings!

G. Approve that an activity fund for the Alumni Association be established.

H. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the Amherst Schools:

- Amherst Steele Theatre Booster Club for a donation of \$3,005 from ticket sales to replenish expenses incurred on behalf of the MLS Theatre Company, Troupe 1422.
- Amy Price for her generous donation of \$200 to pay for students' outstanding debt for breakfast and lunch.
- Amherst Choral Boosters for a donation of \$308.13 for music coverage.
- Nord School PTO for a donation of \$996.80 to cover the fourth grade trip to the Natural History Museum.

Roll call vote:

Zappa, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Neident, aye.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Steve Sayers

Notes:

- Chuck Grinnett received a BWC Safety Grant used to alleviate workplace injury. Monies will be used at Steele HS for ballistic film, a camera system and automatic floor machines.

Administrative Committee Reports:

Mr. Mike Molnar, Assistant Superintendent

Notes:

- Finalsite Mobile App
- Online updates/Power school portal for parents.

Mr. Rex Engle, JVS Representative

Notes:

- Senior recognition May 17th at Lorain Palace.
- JVS Board voted to place a .66 mill Permanent Improvement levy on the ballot.

Other Reports: (Administrative Standing Committees)

- Congratulations to all
- Tuesday Academic Award Banquet

2019-05-04

It was moved by Gilles and seconded by Zappa to approve the following:

A. Accept the following resignations as indicated for the purpose of retirement and authorize the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to execute any necessary documents relating to separation of employment:

- Barbara Hyster, Media Aide, Amherst Jr. High, effective 9/1/19.

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- B. Accept the following resignations and authorize the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to execute any necessary documents relating to separation of employment:

Marie Cole, Spanish Teacher, Amherst Jr. High, effective 5/31/19
 Steven Hamilton, Bus Driver, effective 4/19/19
 Yolanda Kozich, Custodian II/Cleaner, M.L. Steele, effective 5/6/19
 Ryan Kruse, Intervention Specialist, Nord, effective 8/31/19
 Catherine Ody, Bus Driver, effective end of day 5/10/19
 Deborah Overman, PT Cook/Cashier, Nord, effective 5/10/19
 Westley Spears, Technology Technician, effective 5/12/19
 Joyce Wolfe, Comet Kids Aide, effective 5/30/19

- C. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the 2018-2019 school year, as indicated, with compensation at the board approved substitute rates pending completion of all employment requirements, including, but not limited to licensure/certification (if required) and a BCI & FBI background check:

- Mechelle Barnard, Bus Driver, effective 4/24/19

- D. Approve the administrative contract renewals as indicated:

- Andrew Gibson, Principal, Amherst Jr. High, three-year contract, beginning 8/1/20.
- Charles Grimmett, Building and Grounds Supervisor, a three-year contract, effective 8/1/20.
- Ashley Harrigan, Assistant Principal, M.L. Steele High School, a three-year contract, effective 8/1/20.
- Michael Molnar, Assistant Superintendent, a three-year contract, effective 8/1/20.
- Rhonda Neuhoff, Assistant Principal, Amherst Jr. High, a three-year contract, effective 8/1/20
- Sarah Walker, Director of Student Service, a three-year contract, effective 8/1/20.

- E. Employ Cornelia Engle, as Assistant Principal at Powers Elementary, on a two (2) year, 210-day administrative contract as per the administrative salary schedule, effective 8/1/19, pending completion of all employment requirements, including, but not limited to licensure and a BCI & FBI background check.

- F. Employ the following certified individuals, on a one-year limited contract, as indicated, for the 2019-2020 school year pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check and proper certification/licensure. Proper placement on the negotiated salary schedule pending verification of all education training and prior experience submitted to the Amherst Schools:

- Danielle Buczowski, Intervention Specialist, M.L. Steele, effective 8/1/19
- Jeannette Holp, Family Consumer Science Teacher, (.5 contract) M.L. Steele, effective 8/19/19
- Kristen McKnight, 4th Grade ELA Teacher, Nord, effective 8/1/19
- Deborah Raesler, Guidance Counselor, Nord, effective 8/19/19
- Eric Watts, Music Teacher, M.L. Steele, effective 8/19/19

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- G. Grant the following classified personnel a one-year or two-year limited contract as per Attachment 1-A, for the 2019-2020 school year. (See Attachment 1-B for all other classified employees who are presently under contract for the 2019-2020 school year and will be issued a salary notice.)
- H. Re-employ the following special needs student attendants on a one-year limited contract for the 2019-2020 school year pending completion of all employment requirements:
- Dana Haney
 - Joy Jeffries
 - Elise Patrick
 - Stephen Prior
 - Charlene Yohn
- I. Employ the following classified substitutes, to work during the summer of 2019, "as needed", with compensation at their regular substitute hourly rate pending completion of all employment requirement
- Matthew Bragg, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Alexandra Burkes, Classified, effective 5/30/19
 - Lindsey Dutton, Classified, effective 5/30/19
 - Thom Hall, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Kyle Koller, Technology, effective 5/30/19
 - Tyler Neuhoff, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Jaelyn Overdorff, Classified, effective 5/30/19
 - David Rice, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Lucas Shalkhauser, Technology, effective 5/30/19
 - Timothy Warner, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
- J. Employ the following individuals as summer help for 2019, "as needed", at \$8.55 per hour (minimum wage), pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check:
- Tyler Adams, Grounds, effective 5/30/19
 - Zachary Boesel, Grounds, effective 5/30/19
 - Benjamin Brogan, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Austin Franks, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Zachary Jackson, Technology, effective 5/30/19
 - Noah Kelley, Grounds, effective 5/30/19
 - Camryn Lennard, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Samantha McQuate, Technology, effective 5/30/19
 - Andrew Mission, Grounds, effective 5/30/19
 - Daniel Ortiz, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Tyler Strauser, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
 - Emily Woolf, Custodial, effective 5/30/19
- K. Re-employ Barbara Wolansky on a one-year supplemental contract as an Orientation and Mobility Trainer for visually impaired students for the 2019-2020 school year at \$75.00 per hour, not to exceed 50 hours.
- L. Approve the following personnel for the 2018-2019 Extended School Year (ESY) positions:
- Sara Kemppainen, ESY Intervention Specialist
 - Tiffany Leavitt, ESY aide

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- M. Grant the following certified personnel a supplemental contract for their services as a home instruction tutor for the 2018-2019 school year, inclusive of summer 2019 if necessary, on an "as needed basis" with compensation at the board approved rate:
- o Jackie Fink
 - o Kelly Massa
- N. Approve Reheena Diar and Carol Kolenda for a stipend of \$100 for completion of the Murray Ridge Center Intensive Needs Training class that was held 5/7/19 to 5/10/19.
- O. Approve the unpaid parental leave of absence for Joanne Carnabuci, Amherst Jr. High, Guidance Counselor, effective 8/18/19 through 11/19/19.
- P. Approve up to four (4) additional workdays (May 31, June 3-5, 2019), for Sharon Arendash, A/JH Teacher Aide, to be paid at her per diem rate.
- Q. Approve the discretionary funds for the 2018-2019 school year as per the negotiated agreement and as indicated per Attachment 14C.
- R. Employ the following individuals, as indicated, for the Southwest Conference (SWC) Track Meet, with compensation reimbursed to the Amherst Schools by OHSAA as per Attachment 14D.
- S. Employ the following individuals, as indicated, for the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) District and Regional Track event, with compensation reimbursed to the Amherst Schools by OHSAA as per Attachment 14E and Attachment 14F (student workers).
- T. Grant a supplemental contract to the individuals from the Transportation Department to work on an "as needed basis" during the summer of 2019 as per Attachment 14G.
- U. Approve the changes in building status for the following classroom aides, for the 2019-2020 school year as indicated:
- o Andrea Dolacki from Amherst Jr High to Nord School
 - o Samantha Jones from Nord School to Powers Elementary
 - o Patricia Leuster, from Nord School to Powers Elementary
- V. Approve the following personnel for extra duty pay, upon completion of non-violent crisis intervention training hours as per Attachment 14H.
- W. Provide Custodian II/Cleaner, Eric Faust, with notice of the Board's intention to non-renew his limited contract upon expiration on June 30, 2019 and further authorizes and directs the Superintendent to notify said employee of the Board's action non-renewing his contract.
- X. Grant Natalie Yacobozzi, presently under contract, a salary notice for the 2019-2020 school year.

Roll call vote A through W:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye; Neidert, aye; Yacobozzi, aye

Roll call vote X

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye; Neidert, aye; Yacobozzi, abstain;

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2019-05-05

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Engle to approve the following:

- A. Approve the following overnight field trips:
 - o Boys Cross Country team camping trip to Mohican Cabins, Perrysville, OH as per Exhibit 15A.
 - o M.L. Steele High School Yearbook Editor Workshop, at Kenyon College, Gambier, OH as per Exhibit 15B.
 - o Boys Cross Country team to National Trails Raceway Park, Hebron, OH, for competition as per Exhibit 15C.
- B. Approve the revised 2019-2020 County Service Agreement with the Educational Service Center of Lorain County (ESC) as per Exhibit 15D.
- C. Approve the contract with Mercy Regional Medical Center for PT Services as per Exhibits 15E.
- D. Approve the student handbook for the 2019-2020 school year for M.L. Steele High School, Amherst Jr. High, and Powers Elementary as per Exhibits 15F through 15H.
- E. Approve the school fees for the 2019-2020 school year for M.L. Steele High School, Amherst Jr. High, and Powers Elementary as per Attachment 15A.
- F. Approve the service agreement with the Educational Service Center of Medina County for nursing services as per Exhibit 15I.
- G. Approve the agreement with Rehabilitation Consultants Inc. for athletic training services as per Exhibit 15J.
- H. Approve the agreement with Finalsite for products and service for our mible app as per Exhibit 15K.
- I. Enter into a contract with Great Lakes Biomedical to provide random drug testing for athletes, students involved with extracurricular activities and students that drive to school during the 2019-2020 school year as per Exhibit 15L.
- J. Approve the agreement with Summit Educational Service Center for set-up and implementation of our online Local Professional Development Committee (LPDC) management system as per Exhibit 15M.
- K. Accept the Resolution Authorizing the use of Board of Education Logo as per Attachment 15B.
- L. Approve the 2019-2010 Comet Kids Handbook as per Exhibit 15N.
- M. Approve the list of prospective graduates for the Classs of 2019 who are eligible for graduation on 5/25/19 as per Attachment 15C, as recommended by Joseph Tellier, Principal, M.L. Steele High School, pending completion of the requirements set by the State of Ohio and the requirements as set forth by the Amherst E.V. Board of Education.

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Engle, Neidert, aye; Gilles, aye; Neidert, aye; Zappa, aye.

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2019-05-06

It was moved by Neidert, seconded by Gilles to approve the following:

- A. Accept the resolution with the Ohio Schools Council Cooperative Bus Purchasing Program authorizing the purchase of three (3) busses from the bids received through Ohio Schools Council as per Exhibit 16A.

Roll Call vote:

Neidert, aye; Gilles, aye; Engle, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye

2019-05-07

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Gilles to adjourn to executive session at 6:28 p.m. to prepare for collective bargaining with public employees, with no action to be taken.

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye, Gilles, aye; Engle, aye; Neidert, aye; Zappa, aye

The board returned from Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.

2019-05-08

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Gilles to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Gilles, aye; Engle, aye; Neidert, aye; Zappa, aye

Board President Rex Engle adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer/CFO