

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular
Meeting

Held at the AJH Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. Nov 16
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President, Valerie Neidert presided. Called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call:

Valerie Neidert, present; Teresa Gilles, present; Rex Engle, present; Ron Yacobozzi, present; Marc Zappa, present.
Steven A. Sayers, Superintendent, present; Amelia R. Gioffredo, Treasurer/CFO, present.

This meeting and notices of all meetings are in compliance with O.R.C. 121.22. This Board of Education shall discuss in Executive Session only those items allowed in O.R.C. 121.22.

2020-11-03

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Engle to adopt the agenda as presented, including any addenda.

Roll Call vote:

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

Good News Reports:

- Mr. Casey Wolf, Athletic Director
 - Golf team – 9 tournaments
 - Cross Country
 - Sliman’s – Jeep Jam
 - Boosters – Championship banners
- Mr. Andrew Gibson, AJH Principal
 - Making Middle Grades Work
 - Zoom presentation
 - \$3,000 grant making middle grades work
- Mr. Perdue – Bus Driver/Monitor
 - ESports

Treasurers’ Report – Mrs. Amelia Gioffredo – Five-year Forecast presentation.

2020-11-04

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

- A. Amend and/or approve the board minutes for the October 12, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
- B. Approve the treasurer’s financial reports for the month of October. (See Exhibits 8A, 8B & 8C)
- C. Approve the revision of appropriations and the “412 certificate”
 - 599-9021 fund for \$122,922 Federal Sub-recipient
 - 300-9021 fund for \$5,000 Comets Live Video Technology Program
 - 499-9020 fund from \$21,812 to \$28,187 (+6,375) OCCRRRA

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 D. Approve the Five-Year Forecast as per Exhibit 8D. 2020

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

- The family of **Jennifer Werner** for a memorial bench that will be placed at the high school in the outside classroom courtyard in her memory.
- The **Amherst Teachers Association** for a \$45 donation to the Educational Foundation on behalf of their Milestone Educators.
- The **City of Amherst** for a donation of \$122,922 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to use toward the purchase of two (2) new buses.

Roll call vote:

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

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Steve Sayers, Superintendent

- Donation from City of Amherst for buses
- Updated policies – December agenda
- Enrollment update – 3,638 students (20 fewer students than at end of school year). (Graduated more than kindergarten class)

Administrative Committee Reports:

Mr. Mike Molnar, Assistant Superintendent

- Comets Live! Presentation

Mrs. Sarah Walker, Director of Student Services

- Second Harvest pickup last month – 82 families – 377 community members
- Parent information nights – 15-minute learning sessions.
- Shout out – Corrie Engle – Licensing (surprise) visit from State

Mr. Rex Engle JVS Representative

- All remote today 11/16/2020 until end of November for sure – then will re-evaluate
- Challenges with labs, substitutes
- Cookie sale; poinsettia sale

Other Reports (Administrative Standing Committees) - NONE

2020-11-05

Moved by Engle, seconded by Gilles 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.
- **Pat Keberle**, Intervention Specialist, M.L. Steele, effective 5/31/2021.

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B. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract for the **2020-2021** school year pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check. Proper placement on the negotiated salary schedule pending verification of all prior experience.

- **David Melendez**, PT Bus Driver, 60-day probationary contract, effective 11/16/2020.

C. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the **2020-2021** 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:

CERTIFIED:

- **Stephanie Beam**, effective 11/2/2020
- **Nicholas Brockmeyer**, effective 11/16/2020
- **Andrea Giavroutas**, effective 10/13/2020
- **Barbara Mingee**, effective 11/10/2020
- **Marissa Perez**, effective 11/12/2020
- **Kelly Simenson**, effective 10/13/2020

CLASSIFIED:

- **Carol Blaser**, effective 11/2/2020
- **Ed Dulemba**, effective 10/15/2020
- **Jacqueline Dutton**, effective 10/13/2020
- **Mary Elliott**, effective 11/4/2020
- **Linnet Melendez**, effective 11/2/2020

D. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the winter and/or year-round extra-curricular activities during the **2020-2021** school year, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCI and FBI background check with compensation at the board approved rate as per **Attachment 11A**.

E. Grant the following individual(s), who have completed their probationary contract, a limited contract or return to a continuing contract status as indicated:

- **Michael Chesser**, Head Mechanic, balance of a one-year contract, effective 11/3/2020.
- **Stephanie Porter**, Bus Driver, balance of a one-year contract, effective 11/19/2020,

F. Approve **Regina Zaborski** to work in the treasurer's department temporarily, as needed, at a rate of \$25 per hour, effective 11/11/2020.

G. Approve the term renewal of Ms. Judy Alexander for an additional seven years as a **Library Trustee**.

H. Employ **Tyler Strauser**, as a student worker, for maintenance, for the **2020-2021** school year, to be paid at a rate of \$8.70 (minimum wage) per hour, effective 11/9/2020.

I. Amend the unpaid non-professional leave of absence for **Amanda Skiddie**, PT Monitor, at AJH, effective return date to 1/4/2021.

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- J. Approve the unpaid parental leave of absence for **Jill Williams**, Spanish Teacher, Powers, effective 10/27/2020 through 12/4/2020 and for **Allison Allen**, LA Teacher, M.L. Steele, effective 12/18/2020 through 1/28/2021.
- K. Approve the following landscapers to work additional days, as needed, and to be paid at their regular rate of pay, effective 11/16/2020 through 3/8/2021:
- **Peter Bric**
 - **Anthony Gordon**
 - **Andrew Kirschner**
 - **Damon Wallace**
- L. Approve the 3rd Revision of the **Ancillary Salary Table** for the **2020-2021** school year as per **Attachment 11B**.
- M. Approve the following game management and athletic event personnel to be paid according to the approved **2020-2021** revised Ancillary schedule out of the athletic funds for **AJH Sports**:
- **Michele Sturgeon** – Ticket Taker (football)
- N. Grant the following certified personnel a supplemental contract for their services as a home instruction tutor for the **2020-2021** school year, inclusive of summer **2021** if necessary, on an “as needed basis”, with compensation at the board approve rate:
- **Gia Hober**, effective 10/23/2020
- O. Approve a stipend in the amount of \$5,000 for **Sarah Rigda** to serve as the Amherst Schools Educational Foundation Liaison, effective for the **2020-2021** school year.
- P. Grant **Kimberly Haney** a stipend of \$1,000 for services as the Wellness Coordinator during the **2020-2021** school year.
- Q. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Amherst Teachers Association (ATA) relative to certain Supplemental Contract positions for **2020-2021**, as per **Attachment 11C**.
- R. Authorize the Superintendent and Treasurer to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Amherst Teachers Association (ATA) regarding class size stipends for trimesters for the **2020-2021** school year only.
- Roll call vote:
Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye; Neidert, aye.
- 2020-11-06
- It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Yacobozzi to approve the following:
- Grant a supplemental contract to **Duane “Shelby” Neidert**, as a Volunteer Assistant for Hockey, for the **2020-2021** season.
- Roll call vote:
Gilles, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Engle, aye; Zappa, aye; Neidert, abstain.

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2020-11-07

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

- A. Approve the school calendar for the **2020-2021** school year as per Attachment **12A**.
- B. Approve the agreement with the **Elyria Parks & Recreation Department North Park Ice Arena** for the hockey team as per **Exhibit 12A**.
- C. Approve the swim lane agreement with **Splash Zone (LCMP)** as per **Exhibit 12B**.
- D. Approve the resolution for **District Support Organizations**, including Booster Organizations with the exception of **Comet Athletic Boosters (CAB)** as per **Attachment 12B**.
- E. Authorize the development and promotion of the **Comets Live Video Technology Program** for possible implementation with the **2021-2022** school year.

Roll call vote:

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

2020-11-08

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

- A. Approve the resolution for **District Support Organization – Comet Athletic Boosters (CAB)**, as per **Attachment 12C**.

Roll call vote:

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

2020-11-09

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

- A. Accept the agreement with the **City of Amherst** for the **Coronavirus Relief Fund** as per **Exhibit 13A**.
- B. Approve the service agreement with **Republic Services, Inc.** as per **Exhibit 13B**.
- C. Approve the **Certificate of Standards Governing Types of Foods and Beverages sold on school premises report** for the **2019-2020** school year as per **Exhibit 13C**.
- D. Authorize the purchase of (2) school buses at a total cost of \$163,922 (\$81,961 each), utilizing funds from the **Coronavirus Relief Fund** donated by the City of Amherst, state grant and district funds.
- E. Approve the **Licensing Agreement** for the use of the District Logo as per **Exhibit 13D**.

Roll call vote:

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

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It was moved by Engle, seconded by Yacobozzi to adjourn.

Roll call vote

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

Board President, Valerie Neidert adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer / CFO