

2021-01-11 Organization Meeting

Amherst Exempted Village Board of Education
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Organization Meeting - Monday, January 11, 2021, 5:30 P.M.
M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center
450 Washington St., Amherst OH 44001

Each meeting of the Amherst E.V. 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.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: Mrs. Valerie Neidert, President Pro tempore

Time:

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

Mr. Rex Engle - Present / Absent
Mrs. Teresa Gilles - Present / Absent
Mrs. Valerie Neidert - Present / Absent
Mr. Ron Yacobozzi - Present / Absent
Mr. Marc Zappa - Present / Absent

4. President Pro tempore conducts the election of officers for 2021:

- A. Election of President of the Board of Education:
Nominations for President:

1. _____ nominated by _____

2. _____ nominated by _____

3. _____ nominated by _____

Vote on Presidency:

Mr. Engle voted for: _____

Mrs. Gilles voted for: _____

Mrs. Neidert voted for: _____

Mr. Yacobozzi voted for: _____

Mr. Zappa voted for: _____

Oath of Office of President:

Administered to _____ by _____

B. Election of Vice-President of the Board of Education:
Nominations for Vice President:

1. _____ nominated by _____

2. _____ nominated by _____

3. _____ nominated by _____

Vote on Vice Presidency:

Mr. Engle voted for: _____

Mrs. Gilles voted for: _____

Mrs. Neidert voted for: _____

Mr. Yacobozzi voted for: _____

Mr. Zappa voted for: _____

Oath of Office of Vice President:

Administered to _____ by _____

5. Set dates, times and location in the M. L. Steele Creative Learning Center unless otherwise noted for Regular Board Meetings in 2021.

- See attached worksheet for suggestions.

6. Appointment to Administrative Standing Committee.

- See attached worksheet for suggestions.

7. It is recommended that the following standing authorizations be approved for the calendar year 2021:

- A. That the Amherst E.V. Board of Education approve Squire Patton Boggs; Ennis Britton; Fisher & Phillips; Smith Peters & Kalail, and Bricker & Eckler law firms to provide legal counsel, as needed for 2021.
- B. That the Amherst E.V. Board of Education approve to establish a Board Member Service Fund of no more than \$20,000, as provided in the Ohio Revised Code pursuant to O.R.C. 3315.15.
- C. That the Amherst E.V. Board of Education approve the board member compensation at the maximum amount allowable by law pursuant to O.R.C. 3313.12.
- D. That the Treasurer be authorized to request advances from the County Auditor when funds become available, the Board further requests the County Auditor to advance 90% of funds available at any time as required by law.
- E. That the Treasurer be authorized to issue payment of bills and contractual obligations for 2021 in accordance with Board policy, and further authorize the use of a single signature.
- F. That the Treasurer be authorized to invest all available funds in securities as permitted by Board policy and O.R.C. The Board further authorizes the distribution of monthly investment earnings to the General Fund, Food Service Fund, Auxiliary Service Fund, and any other as required by O.R.C.
- G. That the Treasurer be authorized to transfer financial accounts, as needed, without Board action.
- H. That the Superintendent be authorized to employ such personnel, as needed, for emergency situations, with such employment to be presented to the Board for approval at the next regular meeting.
- I. That the Superintendent be authorized to accept resignations, which have been submitted by employees subject to Board approval at the next meeting. Upon approval by the Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.
- J. That the Superintendent be the purchasing agent for the Amherst Schools.
- K. That the Superintendent be authorized to enter into agreements to implement student placements, including transportation arrangements, in accordance with federal and state statutes and for student I.E.P.s (Individual Education Plans).
- L. That the Superintendent be authorized to enter into settlement agreements regarding services provided to students with I.E.P.s (Individual Education Plans).
- M. That the Superintendent be authorized to approve and sign routine contracts on behalf of the Board of Education as per board policy. The Board of Education will be made aware of these contracts prior to Superintendent approval. These contracts will then be placed on a future board meeting agenda for final ratification/approval.
- N. That the Superintendent has authority to approve policies, proposals, and transfers within the student activity funds.
- O. That the Superintendent be authorized to apply and participate in any federal, state, or local project or

program and to make application for such funds as are available from federal, state, or other sources.

P. That the Superintendent be authorized to approve payment of Professional Development expenses and/or stipends, as outlined in the negotiated agreements. The Superintendent be further authorized to approve registration, overnight lodging, mileage, and meals, which may exceed the negotiated agreements' approved amounts, when request to attend by the Superintendent or designee.

Q. That the Board continue to purchase liability insurance.

R. That the Board authorize the renewal of memberships in BASA (Buckeye Association of School Administrators), OASBO (Ohio Association School Business Officials), and OSBA (Ohio School Board Association) with dues paid in full for FY2021.

S. Set Public Official Bond for Treasurer at \$100,000, and execute position bonds for Board President and Superintendent at \$20,000, and others, as necessary, to acquire the same.

T. That the Board hereby directs the Treasurer to deposit \$10,000 into the Amherst Education Foundation Fund (Endowment), as authorized under O.R.C. 3315.40. The total of funds shall be transferred to the trust or "endowment account" established under the Community Foundation of Greater Lorain County.

U. That the Board directs the Treasurer to deduct sixteen dollars and sixty seven cents (\$16.67) per month from each board member's pay during the 2021 calendar year. The deducted funds are to be placed in a Board of Education Scholarship Fund, and used to award a \$1000 scholarship at the Senior Awards Banquet in the spring of 2021.

V. That the Board directs the Treasurer to be the board members' designee, thus being appointed to receive the Public Records training on the elected officials' behalf, as per the O.R.C. § 109.43(B) and § 149.43(E)(1). The O.R.C. states officials elected to statewide or local office receive three (3) hours of Public Records training for each term of office.

W. That the Amherst E.V. Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to enter into agreements with colleges and universities as needed regarding the placement of college students for field experience or student teaching.

X. That the Treasurer be authorized to establish Petty Cash or change funds on an as-needed basis up to \$2,650.

Y. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay mileage at the IRS rate.

Z. That the Treasurer and Board President be authorized to borrow funds as needed.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Engle _____, Mrs. Gilles _____, Mrs. Neidert _____, Mr. Yacobozzi _____, Mr. Zappa _____

8. That the Amherst E.V. Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 tax budget.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Engle _____, Mrs. Gilles _____, Mrs. Neidert _____, Mr. Yacobozzi _____, Mr. Zappa _____

9. Adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Engle _____, Mrs. Gilles _____, Mrs. Neidert _____, Mr. Yacobozzi _____, Mr. Zappa _____

Time:



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AMHERST BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICERS/MEMBERS & COMMITTEES

- Board Member – Mr. Rex Engle
- Board Member – Mrs. Teresa Gilles
- Board Member – Mrs. Valerie Neidert
- Board Member – Mr. Ron Yacobozzi
- Board Member – Mr. Marc Zappa

JVS Representative – Mr. Rex Engle – 3-year term – 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2021

ADMINISTRATIVE STANDING COMMITTEES

- Amherst Schools Educational Foundation:.....Mr. Rex Engle
- Board Policies:.....Mrs. Valerie Neidert and Mr. Ron Yacobozzi
- Board/Booster Partnership Committee:..... Mr. Ron Yacobozzi and Marc Zappa
- Buildings/Grounds:..... Mrs. Teresa Gilles and Mr. Ron Yacobozzi
- Community Relations/Scholarships/Awards:..... Mrs. Teresa Gilles and Mrs. Valerie Neidert
- Curriculum/Instruction/Staff Development:Mrs. Teresa Gilles and Mrs. Valerie Neidert
- Extra and Co-Curricular Activities:Mrs. Teresa Gilles and Mr. Marc Zappa
- Financial/Audit/Records:Mr. Rex Engle and Mr. Ron Yacobozzi
- Negotiations and Grievance:..... Mr. Rex Engle and Mr. Marc Zappa
- Technology: Mrs. Valerie Neidert and Mr. Marc Zappa
- Transportation:Mrs. Teresa Gilles and Mr. Marc Zappa

MEETING DATES

January 11, 2021	2 nd Monday @ 5:30 PM	Organization Meeting
January 19, 20 or 21 2021 *	@ 5:30 PM @ Powers Elementary	Regular Meeting
February 22, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
March 22, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
April 26, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
May 24, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
June 28, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
July 26, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
August 16, 2021	3 rd Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
September 27, 2021	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM	Regular Meeting
October 25, 2021 *	4 th Monday @ 5:30 PM @ Nord School	Regular Meeting
November 15, 2021 *	3 rd Monday @ 5:30 PM @ Amherst Jr High	Regular Meeting
December 13, 2021 *	2 nd Monday @ 5:30 PM @ Powers Elementary	Regular Meeting

NOTE: Under certain circumstances all meeting dates and times may be subject to last minute changes.

Location of meetings will be held at:

M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center, 450 Washington Street, Amherst, OH 44001 *unless otherwise noted.