

Approved Minutes  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Albany Area Schools – ISD #745  
District Office Board Room  
August 11, 2021

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Winkels at 6 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Winkels, Hansen, Kreuzer, Carbajal, Sand, Pennie  
Late:                    Absent: Sands

3. Public Forum

4. Agenda – Additions and Deletions

5. Approvals

5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Carbajal, seconded by Kreuzer, to approve the July 14, 2021 Regular Meeting, July 28, 2021 Work Session and July 28, 2021 Special Meeting minutes as presented. Supported by all present.

5.2 Cash Flow Reports – June 2021

Motion by Carbajal, seconded by Pennie, to approve the June 2021 Cash Flow Reports as presented. Supported by all present.

6. Consent Agenda

AFT:

Caroline LaFave - LTS AVE First Grade Teacher  
Laura Roelike - Teacher on Special Assignment  
Laell Welle - HS Science Teacher  
Brianna Theisen - LTS ALE Fourth Grade Teacher  
Vicki Pfeffer - LTS ALE Special Education Teacher  
Mindy Arnzen - AVE Preschool Teacher  
Lauren Kunde - Instructional Technology Specialist/Media  
John Kleppe - AMS 2021 Summer Band

AFT Payroll Change Request:

Kristy Yurczyk - .557 FTE to .5 FTE Preschool Teacher

AESP:

Gina Becker - AVE Preschool Paraprofessional  
Rita Buermann - AVE Preschool Paraprofessional  
Bridget Fischer - AVE Preschool Paraprofessional  
Gretta Jarrett - AVE Preschool Paraprofessional  
Kimberly Lange - AVE Preschool Paraprofessional  
Adam Arezzo - Technology Assistant  
Sandy Brix - Bus Driver  
Alicia Waytashek – AVE K-5 Paraprofessional  
Kelly Nelson – AVE Food Service Aide

AESP Payroll Change Request:

Mary Klasen - SpEd Paraprofessional to Media Center Paraprofessional  
Lori Peters – ALE Food Service Aide 6 hrs/day to Breakfast/Lunch Clerk 6.5 hrs/day

AFT Summer School:

Peter Maas - HS/MS Teacher  
Molly Morrison - HS/MS Teacher  
Sue Noska - AVE Preschool SpEd Teacher

AESP Summer School:

Gina Becker - AVE SpEd Preschool Paraprofessional

Summer School Special Education Pay Differential:

Celina Anderson, Gina Becker, Melissa Bueckers, Heidi Eiyneck, Kayla Furnstahl, Anna Wilwerding

Coaching/Advisors:

Dave Dirkes - JH Football  
Ashley Miller - JH Volleyball  
Morgan Olson - JV Volleyball

Community Education:

BECC Attendant - Kendra Rausch  
Volleyball Camp - Scott Heinen, Brian Hines, Kaitlyn Hines, Morgan Olson  
Summer Recreation Supervisor - Morgan Kramer  
Girls Basketball Camp - Aaron Boyum, Dave Huberty, Todd Kuhn  
Boys Basketball Camp - Cory Schlagel, Grant Johnson, Aaron Ahrndt, Steve Schiffler, Jordan Schiffler  
Summer Dive Camp - Samantha Sell  
Huskie Sports Performance & Fundamentals - Aaron Schwenzfeier  
Aquatics - Katie Spanier, Bree Jensen  
Summer Softball – Madison Schmitz, Danni Toughill  
Umping – Aaron Ahrndt, Aaron Eiyneck, Joran Carlson  
Field Prep – Alexis Zierden  
Self-Defense & Person Safety Instructor – Adam Patterson  
Huskies Football Camp - Aaron Ahrndt, Alan Amdahl, Brian Bierbaum, Aaron Boyum, Zachary Dingmann,  
Lukas Fox, Dave Huberty, Todd Kuhn, Jason Thelen, Ben Eli, Mike Kleinschmidt,  
James Mader

LOA: One

Resignations/Retirements:

Laura Naujokas - HS Science Teacher, effective July 14, 2021  
Kari Wolford - 9th Grade Volleyball, effective April 20, 2021  
Aileen Swenson - JH Volleyball, effective July 15, 2021  
Rebecca Bidney - ALE Paraprofessional, effective July 22, 2021  
Jennie Stai - ALE Paraprofessional, effective August 4, 2021  
Jan Notch, Food Service Director, effective August 20, 2021  
Emily Notch – JH Volleyball, effective August 8, 2021

Termination

Rylan Grose - Technology Assistant, effective August 3, 2021

Donations:

\$3,200.00 – Class of 2021 – Live Streaming – R#58197  
\$ 50.00 - Anonymous - Family Outreach - R#58187

The following checks were issued in paying claims: Wire transfers and checks 100517 - 100676

Expenditures:

01 General Fund	\$1,039,010.52
02 Food Services	\$28,246.59
04 Community Services	\$49,346.94
06 Building Construction	\$15,268.35
07 Debt Redemption	\$533,400.63

Motion by Carbajal, seconded by Hansen, to approve the August 2021 Consent Agenda. Supported by all present.

7. Reports

7.1 Purple Pride

Highlighting staff for a job well done.

7.2 Legislative Update – Representative Lisa Demuth

Representative Demuth gave a legislative update and reported that the education bill came in at a total of \$20.983 billion dollars, which equates to 41% of the state budget allocated to education. The General Education Formula Allowance came in at 2.45% for the first year and 2.0% for the second year.

7.3 Summer School Update

Approximately 240 students attended summer school in the Albany Area Schools this summer. Students had special time for Social Emotional Learning each day as well as activities that included field trips to Avon Hills Folk School, Hemker Zoo, Teal’s Grocery Store and the library. The high school students focused on credit recovery, as well as building a butterfly garden and planting flowers around the new greenhouse. Huskie Sports Performance has had an excellent turnout and been very successful this summer.

8. Business

8.1 Enrollment Report

8.2 West Central Education District Joint Powers Agreement Approval

Motion by Carbajal, seconded by Hansen, to approve the WCED Joint Powers Agreement as presented. Supported by all present.

8.3 Employee Handbook

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Carbajal, to approve the 2021-2022 Employee Handbook as presented. Supported by all present.

8.4 School Reopening Plans

Students will be in school five days a week, with face coverings being optional in school and no COVID vaccine requirements. By federal law, face coverings are required on public transportation. Families will be in charge of their own-self screening and be expected to stay home when ill. Social distancing is

encouraged when possible and the district will continue to disinfect and clean the facilities. Breakfast and lunch will be free to all students for this school year.

#### 8.5 Resolution Relating to Health and Safety Measures for the 2021-2022 School Year

Member Kreuzer introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

### **Resolution Relating to Health and Safety Measures for the 2021-2022 School Year**

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes Section 123B.09 vests the care, management, and control of independent districts in the school board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Independent School District No. 745, the Superintendent is responsible for the management of the schools, the administration of all School District policies, and is directly accountable to the School Board; and

**WHEREAS**, when responsibilities are not specifically prescribed nor School District policy applicable, the Superintendent shall use personal and professional judgment, subject to review by the School Board, pursuant to School District Policy 302, *Superintendent*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) and the Minnesota Department of Health (“MDH”) have determined that the COVID-19 pandemic is currently ongoing and may remain ongoing for an unknown time; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Department of Education (“MDE”) has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for Minnesota schools on educational issues related to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the MDH has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for Minnesota schools on public health issues related to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent and the administration of the School District have conferred with the School Board regarding COVID-19 health and safety measures, the current CDC, MDE, and MDH requirements for each, and other relevant information; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the collective consideration of these factors, the Superintendent has recommended to the School Board that the Albany Area Schools 2021-22 School Opening Plan be implemented at the commencement of the 2021-2022 school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 745 as follows:

Section 1: The Superintendent is hereby directed to implement the following health and safety measures to open the 2021-2022 school year: Albany Area Schools 2021-22 School Opening Plan.

Section 2: The Superintendent is hereby authorized, after consultation with the School Board Chair and notification to the School Board, to select and implement different health and safety measures for the School District or any specific school buildings without School Board action if the Superintendent reasonably believes that prompt implementation of different health and safety measures is necessary, and that constraints of time and public health considerations render it impractical to hold a School Board meeting to approve the implementation. The health and safety

measures selected and implemented by the Superintendent shall continue in effect unless and until the School Board, in consultation with the Superintendent and appropriate school district staff and public health officials, deems it in the best interest of the School District and its students to implement different health and safety measures.

Section 3: The Superintendent will provide regular updates to the School Board regarding the School District's efforts to implement COVID-19 related educational and public health guidance issued by the MDE and the MDH, respectively.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Hansen and upon vote being taken thereon, the following

Roll Call Vote

voted in favor thereof: All Present - Winkels, Hansen, Kreuzer, Carbajal, Sand, Pennie

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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School Board Chair

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School Board Clerk

### 9. Committee Reports

### 10. Superintendent Report

Mr. Johnson reported that it was a busy spring and summer with negotiations and welcoming/orientating the new staff.

Facilities update – The next school board work session will focus on the facilities challenge.

### 11. Adjournment

Agenda completed at 7:07 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Carbajal, seconded by Sand. Supported by all Present

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Lynn Pennie, Clerk