

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular
MeetingHeld at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. Mar 14,
2022

President Rex Engle presided. Meeting called to order at 5:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

Rex Engle, present; Teresa Gilles, present; Amanda Messer, present; Morgan Wachholz, 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.

2022-03-01

It was moved by Gilles and seconded by Zappa to adopt the agenda as presented, including any addenda.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

Good News Reports:

Mr. Casey Wolf – Athletic Director

Ethan Belak

- 4x State Qualifier as a Diver (21st as a freshman, 18th as a Sophomore, 16th as a Junior, & 9th as a Senior)
- Qualified for Swimming State as a Sophomore
- School Record Holder in the 11 Dive, set this Year at OHSAA Districts at BGSU
- School Record Holder in the 6 Dive, set this Year at Dual Meet with Olmsted Falls at N. Olmsted Rec
- 2x SWC Diving Champion (Junior and Senior Year)
- 50 Free Champion as a Senior

Boys Bowling

- North Shore Bowling Conference Champions for 3rd Straight Year
- J.P Gregory: State Qualifier, after finishing 3rd at OHSAA Districts as an Individual
- Participated at State this past Friday, shooting a 510 Series

Girls Bowling

- North Shore Bowling Conference Champions for 3rd Straight Year
- Southwestern Conference Champions for 2nd Year in a Row
- Currently in the midst of a 50 match winning streak
- OHSAA State Qualifiers, Finishing 9th overall this past Saturday

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20 22**Makayla Velasquez**

- Tremendous Career
- 2x State Qualifier (Sophomore and Senior)
- 4x Southwestern Conference Girls Bowling MVP, hard to believe that anyone else has ever done this in the same sport
- Meets the OHSAA Record Books Requirements to have her name in there 7 times.....well, let's make it 8
- Makayla is your 2021-22 OHSAA Girls Division I Bowling Individual State Champion! The first Bowling State Champion from our school and the First from Lorain County.

Cheerleading (With Ohio State Rep, Joe Miller)

- November 8, 2021: The Amherst Steele Cheerleading Program won their 7th Southwestern Conference Championship at North Ridgeville High School. True team effort as it combines GameDay (True Sideline Cheer) Score with the Competition Team Score.
- February 6, 2022: Amherst Steele Competition Cheer Team competed in the OASSA Regional Cheerleading Competition at Anthony Wayne High School and earned the Qualifying score to compete for an OASSA State Cheerleading Championships in the Division 2 Non-Building Small Team Division
- February 27, 2022: Amherst Steele Competition Team WON 2Division 2 Non-Building Small Team Division OASSA State Championship at Pickerington North High School!

Joe Tellier, Steele High School Principal

- March 30th at State House – AJH will go after Spring Break
- Culture, sensitivity to other teams SW Summit
- Bring 10 individuals – melting pot

Treasurer's Report, Mrs. Amelia Gioffredo

- Review of Feb '22 Month-to-date and Fiscal-Year-to-Date activity for Amherst Exempted Village School District.

2021-03-02

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

- A. Amend and/or approve the board minutes for the 2/14/2022 Regular Board meeting.
- B. Approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of February, 2022 as per **exhibits 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D and 8E.**
- C. Approve the revision of appropriations and the "412 certificate."
 - Prom 200-9099 from: \$23,300 to: \$27,748.38
- D. Request for transfer of funds from 001-0000 General Fund to 300-9021 Comets Live Video Club in the amount of \$22,000.
- E. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the Amherst Schools:
 - An anonymous donation of \$1,646 to support three students and their families with school fees.

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- Paul Timko for a donation of new devices/equipment, to the Athletic Department with an approximate value of \$2,000 to help with student athlete treatment and recovery. Items are:
 - 2 Hypervolts — Percussive Massage Devices
 - 2 Normatec Leg Systems — Leg Compression Systems
 - 1 Hyperice Vibrating Roller
 - 1 Hyperice Vibrating Ball
 - 3 Hot/Cold Packs
 - 4 Resistance Band Loops
- Lorain Estates for a donation of 36 hand sanitizer dispensers, valued at approximately \$2,035.
- Amherst Steele Theater Booster Club for a donation of \$3,450 from ticket sales from the winter production, to replenish expenses incurred on behalf of the MLS Theater Troupe 1422 and for \$3,750 to be used to pay the independent contractors used in the spring production.

Roll call vote:

Zappa, aye; Gilles, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

Steve Sayers - Superintendent's Report

- Weekly meeting – Health Commissioner
- 3/15/22 Family First Night
- Recreation Fund – Meeting of Youth Organizations 3/30 for collaboration

Mr. Mike Molnar – Assistant Superintendent

Notes:

- Bullying – Anti-bullying webpage. Can navigate from “Parents and Students” page
- Maker Space update
- Special Education classrooms

Mrs. Sarah Walker, Director of Student Services

HS staff:

- 3/16/22 – What Parents Need to Know – 6 P.M. (CLC)
- 4/27/22 - Summer Activity Fair – 5-7 P.M. (Powers Elementary School)

Mr. Rex Engle – JVS Representative

Notes:

- Board agenda should come out 3-14-2022
- Open House at end of February 2022

Other Reports: (Administrative Standing Committees)

Notes: none

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It was moved by Gilles, 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:
- **Lee Ann Northeim**, Teacher Aide, Powers, effective 6/30/2022
- B. Accept the following resignations as indicated and authorize the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to execute any necessary documents relating to separation of employment:
- **Peter Bric**, effective 6/30/2022
 - **Nicholas Quarando**, P. E. Teacher, Powers, effective 6/30/2022
 - **Christine Sarvas**, PT Cook/Cashier and Comet Kids Aide, Powers, effective 5/31/2022
 - **Jill Jiovanazzo**, Principal, Nord, effective at the end of the **2021-2022** contract, to accept a teaching position at Powers Elementary, effective for the **2022-2023** school year.
- C. Employ the following certified individual(s), on a one-year limited contract, as indicated, for the **2022-2023** 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:
- **Austin Johns**, PE Teacher, Powers Elementary, effective 8/22/2022
- D. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the **2021-2022** 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**
 - **Jessica Brandt**, effective 3/1/2022
 - **Jennifer Collins**, effective 3/7/2022
 - **Sean Coughlin**, effective 3/14/2022
 - **Gehrig Gabrie**, effective 3/14/2022
 - **Samuel Kamnikar**, effective 2/22/2022
 - **Halle Kish**, effective 3/8/2022
 - **Eric Lamb**, effective 2/14/2022
 - **Kyle Leuszler**, effective 2/22/2022
 - **Susan Smith**, effective 2/22/2022
 - **Jennifer Vrooman**, effective 3/14/2022
 - **CLASSIFIED**
 - **Jennifer Collins**, effective 3/7/2022
 - **Erika Hemmeline**, effective 3/14/2022
 - **Meghan Jancsura**, effective 2/22/2022
 - **Patti Smith**, effective 3/14/2022
 - **Reed Timko**, effective 3/8/2022
 - **Rochel Tomecko**, effective 3/14/2022
 - **Jennifer Vrooman**, effective 3/8/2022
- E. Approve the changes in contracted status for the following individuals for the **2022-2023** school year as indicated:
- **Kathy Smith**, from PT Cook/Cashier at MLS to Head Cook at MLS - **30-day probationary contract**, effective 8/23/2022

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- F. Grant the following individuals, who have completed their probationary contract, a limited contract or return to a continuing contract status as indicated:
- **Lucas Fox**, Assistant Mechanic, balance of a one-year contract, effective 3/26/2022
 - **Jillian Hunter**, Clinic Aide, Powers, balance of a one-year contract, effective 3/3/2022
 - **Joe Ann Wade**, FT Bus Driver, balance of a one-year contract, effective 3/8/2022
- G. Grant the following certified personnel a supplemental contract for their services as a **home instruction tutor** for the **2021-2022** school year, inclusive of **summer 2022**, if necessary, on an "as needed basis," with compensation at the board approved rate:
- **Maureen Bruder**, effective 3/10/2022
 - **Lila Lewis**, effective 2/28/2022
- H. Employ **Barbara Wolansky**, for up to 20 hours of **Orientation and Mobility Services**, including evaluations and the potential provisions of services as recommended, effective 2/24/2022 and to be paid at a rate of \$75.00 per hour.
- I. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the winter/spring and/or year-round extracurricular activities during the **2021-2022** school year, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCII and FBI background check with compensation at the board approved rate:
- **Anthony Trunzo**, Assistant Varsity Wrestling
 - **Alexandria Jones**, Varsity Softball Assistant (JV)
 - **Brett Thompson, Jr.** High Track ½ contract
 - **Kayla Nunez-Knowlton**, Track Volunteer
- J. Approve the following game management and **athletic event personnel** to be paid according to the approved **2021-2022 Ancillary salary**
- **Kristin Mackowski**, Track Announcer - AJH

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-03-04

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

- A. Accept and approve the following overnight field trip proposals:
- **2022 Eighth Grade Washington D.C. Trip**, as per **exhibit 12A**
 - **MLS Theater Company** to attend the Ohio Thespian State Conference at Westerville Central High School, as per **exhibit 12B**.
- B. Approve the agreement with the **Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities (LCBDD)** for educational placement at Murray Ridge School, as per **exhibit 12C**.

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- C. Approve the agreement with **Lorain City Schools for Title I Non-Public School Program services**, serving students attending St. Joseph School, within the Amherst E.V. School District boundary, as per **exhibit 12D**.
- D. Approve the agreement with **Learn Well**, for an individual student to receive services, as per **exhibit 12E**.
- E. Approve the following allocations for **2022** from the **Recreation funds**:
- Summer Baseball/Softball - \$2,500
 - Sandstone Summer Theater - \$4,000
 - Swimming - \$2,000
 - Youth Football - \$2,500 (new)
 - Youth Soccer - \$2,500

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Messer, aye; Engle, aye; Wachholz, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-03-05

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

- A. Approve the **Consulting and Agronomic Services Agreement** with **Gary D'Andrea**, Independent Consultant, as per **exhibit 13A**.
- B. Authorize the purchase of three (3) 78 passenger buses (\$86,498 each) for a total cost of \$259,494.
- C. Accept the agreement with **M.T.C. Horticultural Services**, for lawn maintenance services for the 2022 as per **exhibit 13B**.
- D. Approve the quote from **CDW•G LLC**, for the district's Microsoft license and software renewal as per **exhibit 13D**.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Messer, aye; Wachholz, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-03-06

It was moved by Wachholz, seconded by Messer that a card, signed by the board, be presented to students and those who are recognized in the "Good News Report".

Roll call vote:

Wachholz, aye, Messer, aye; Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

2022-03-07

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Wachholz to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Wachholz, aye; Messer, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye.

Board President Rex Engle adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer/CFO