

Approved Minutes
SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION
Albany Area Schools – ISD #745
District Office Board Room
January 25, 2023

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kreuzer at 6:07 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Kreuzer, Hansen, Sand, Sands, Carbajal

Absent: Reuter, Dirkes

Student Representatives: Bierbaum, Hudock, Seiler

Guest Speaker, Chad Meemken, who is an SRO from Stearns County Sheriff's Office. He will be implementing a new program in our elementary schools where he will teach a 10-week class focused on educating students about drugs and their side-effects. These will be 45-minute sessions taught once per week for 10 weeks. This program is called LEAD and is something new that Stearns County Sheriff's Office is implementing in several schools. It is supported by our local law enforcement and has been reviewed and is supported by our elementary principals. More information will be going out to 3rd grade families soon.

3. Student Representatives

They would like to meet with the custodial workers to thank them and let them be heard. Working on a program for mental health for the future.

4. Choir Trip Presentation

Andrew Peterson presented. The trip is funded by student fundraising and student activities funds, no district money is being used. The cost of the entire trip is \$53,650. 30 students will be going in grades 9-12. They will depart February 15th-20th and will be going to Orlando, Florida. Six chaperones will be accompanying and have private nighttime security at hotels. Trips are offered every 4 years.

5. 2023-24 School District Calendar

Laura Roelike presented. At home learning days were deleted and switched to early out days. Early outs are on different days of the week (Wednesday & Fridays) not just Fridays like previous years. The last day of school for the 2023-24 school year is May 24, 2024.

6. Weather Make-Up Days Recommendations

Staff recommendation is to not make them up and add two professional learning days at the end of the year. We had two snow days and four e-learning days. We are allowed one more E-learning day for the school year.

7. Albany Facility Condition Assessment Report

ICS looked at all the buildings for improvements and recommendations. They work with LTFM funds also. They will present their reports on a future date.

8. Dust Collection System Replacement

Recommendation is to replace and update. The estimated cost is \$200,000 and will be voted on at the February meeting.

9. Request for Proposal for Banking Service

Sue Clemen, Business Manager, recommends going out for bids for banking rates and services in April or May.

10. Adjournment

Agenda completed at 7:57 pm

Amy Sand, Clerk