

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGSMinutes of **AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**Regular
MeetingHeld at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 18
20 17

President Ron Yacobozzi presided. Meeting called to order at 4:31 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

Ron Yacobozzi, present; Marc Zappa, present; Rex Engle, present; Teresa Gilles, present; Bob Kamnikar, present.
Steven A. Sayers, Superintendent, present; Barbara J. Donohue, Treasurer, 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.

2017-12-01

It was moved by Engle and seconded by Gilles to approve the agenda as presented, including any addendum(s).

Roll call vote:

Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Yacobozzi, aye

Special presentation by Board President, Mr. Ron Yacobozzi.

Good News Reports:

None tonight

2017-12-02

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Zappa to approve the correction of approval for the 10/16/17 Regular Board Meeting minutes.

Roll call vote:

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

2017-12-03

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Engle to approve the board minutes for the 11/20/17 Regular Board meeting.

Roll call vote:

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

2017-12-04

It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Zappa to approve the board minutes for the 11/13/17 Special Board meeting. (Bob Kamnikar was absent).

Roll call vote:

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

2017-12-05

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

- A. Approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of November 2017.
- B. Authorize the treasurer to renew **membership in OSBA (Ohio Schools Board Association)** for FY'19.

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

- **Amherst Steele Theatre Booster Club** for a \$2,600 donation to replenish expenses incurred on behalf of the MLS Theatre Company, Troupe 1422 and for an additional donation of \$1,111 to purchase a laptop for the troupe.
- **Steve Sayers and family** for a \$7,500 donation to be used for student scholarships for the class of 2018.

Roll call vote:

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

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Steve Sayers

Notes:

- Shared that Mr. Molnar was on WEOL – Champion of Education – talked about all the good things that are happening at Amherst Schools. You can go to WEOL website and listen. The interview was Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 3:40 p.m.

Administrative Committee Reports:

Mr. Mike Molnar, Assistant Superintendent

Notes:

- Mock trial – 65 students participated. Amherst News Times had a great article about it. Amherst had: 1 win, 1 loss and 1 split decision.
- Congratulations to the Junior High Academic Team, they placed in Ohio and nationally.

Mr. Rex Engle, JVS Representative

Notes:

- Columbia Community Foundation made a donation to the LCJVS and Columbia towards an I-pad initiative. It is their plan to donate for the next few years.
- Director of Communications is putting together a guide for recurring items, so the Districts will be consistent.
- Planning open house which is January 28, 2018.
- Newsletter will be coming out and it will be showcasing some of the partnerships that LCJVS has had.

A. Appoint a President Pro Tempore to preside over the January 8, 2018 Organizational Meeting.

Ron Yacobozzi will be President Pro Tempore for the January 2018 meeting.

2017-12-06

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

A. Accept the following resignations as indicated:

- **Nancy Strauser**, PT Van Driver and PT Monitor, Nord School, effective end of day 12/8/17.

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B. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract, for the 2017-2018 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:

- **James Clifford, Jr.** 60-day probationary contract, Head Mechanic, effective 12/9/17
- **Dawn Karnik**, 30-day probationary contract, PT Van driver, effective 12/18/17

C. Employ the following individual(s), as certified and/or classified substitutes for the 2017-2018 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 and FBI background check:

- **Kristin Alexander**, teacher, effective 12/12/17
- **Melissa Carver**, classified, effective 12/15/17
- **Courtney Elliott**, classified, effective 12/18/16
- **Thomas Krevinko**, classified, effective 12/7/17
- **Kristin McCaslin Mackowski**, teacher, effective 12/5/17
- **Tyler Neuhoff**, classified, effective 12/18/17
- **Catherine Ody** bus driver, effective 11/20/17
- **Lucas Shalkhauser**, technology, effective 12/18/17

D. Employ the following certified individuals) on a one-year limited contract, as indicated for the 2017-2018 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 Amherst Schools:

- **Nancy Strauser**, Paraprofessional, Powers Elementary, effective 12/11/17

E. Employee the following individuals as Title I Tutors for the 2017-2018 school year with proper placement on the negotiated salary schedule pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check and proper ODE teaching licensure:

Amanda Beal, Powers Elementary, effective 1/2/18
Lindsey Gullett, Powers Elementary, effective 1/2/18
Katie Orseno, Powers Elementary, effective 1/2/18

F. Approve the changes in contract status for the following individuals for the 2017-2018 school year as indicated:

Sherrill Kneisel, assistant cook, M.L. Steele, **increase** in hours from 6.5 to 7 per day, effective 12/26/17
Josephine Powell, head cook, M.L. Steele, **decrease** in hours from 8 to 7.5 per day, effective 12/26/17

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G. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the winter and/or year- round extra-curricular activities during the 2017-2018 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:

- **Jordan Ault**, swimming Volunteer
- **Kelly Kordelski**, Science Olympiad

H. Grant **Alexandria Jones**, Paraprofessional, Nord School, the balance of a one-year contract effective 12/18/17.

I. Grant the following individuals, who have completed their probationary contract, a limited contract or return to a continuing contract status as indicated:

- **Anthony Karnik**, PT Bus Driver, balance of a one-year contract effective 12/26/17.
- **Luther D. Randelman**, PT Bus Driver, balance of a one-year contract effective 12/26/17.

J. Approve the **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** between the Amherst E.V. Board of Education (Board) and the **Amherst Teachers Association (ATA)** as per **Attachment 13A**.

K. Grant the following individuals a supplemental contract to be paid \$22/hr. on an "as needed" basis, beginning 12/1/17 for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year for the Nord School Homework Lab Program. Payment is to be made at the end of each month.

Lynn Andrews
Tina Dever (substitute)

Roll call vote:

Engle, aye; Zappa, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Gilles, aye

2017-12-07

Moved by Kamnikar, seconded by Engle to approve the following:

- A. Approve the agreement with **Final Forms** as per **Exhibit 14A**.
- B. Approve the independent contracts with **Pamela Shirtz, Alison Ortenzi** and **Simone Gall** for their work with the M.L.S. Theatre Company, Troup 1422, as per **Exhibit 14B**.

Roll call vote:

Kamnikar, aye; Engle, aye; Zappa, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Gilles, aye

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Moved by Engle, seconded by Zappa to approve the following:

- A. Approve the proposed agreement with **Educational Funding Group, Inc. (EFG)** for consulting services for upcoming E-rate Funding Year's 2018-2019, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 as per **Exhibit 15A**.

Roll call vote:

Engle, aye; Zappa, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Gilles, aye

2017-12-09

It was moved by Gilles and seconded by Zappa to enter into executive session at 4:49 p.m., for the purpose of considering discipline of a public employee of the School District.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Engle, aye; Yacobozzi, aye

The Board returned from Executive Session at 5:12 p.m.

2017-12-10

It was moved by Gilles and seconded by Zappa to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Engle, aye; Kamnikar, aye

Board President Ron Yacobozzi adjourned the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer