

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular  
Meeting

February 12,  
Held at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. 2018

President Teresa Gilles presided. Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

Teresa Gilles, present; Valerie Neidert, present; Rex Engle, present; Ron Yacobozzi, present; Marc Zappa, 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.

2018-02-01

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Zappa to adopt the agenda as presented, including any addendum(s).

Roll call vote:

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

Presentation and update on the new building project by **GPD Group**.

**Good News Reports:**

**M.L. Steele High School**

Mrs. Angie Deleon, Science Teacher and students Emily King and Ryan George will have a Power Point presentation regarding the new Biomimicry course.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Barb Donohue

Acknowledge and correct the name of one of our law firms that provide legal counsel to: Squire Patton Boggs for the 2018-2019 school year.

2018-02-02

It was moved by Zappa, seconded by Yacobozzi to approve the board minutes for the December 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

Roll Call:

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

2018-02-03

It was moved by Engle, seconded by Yacobozzi to approve the board minutes for the January 8, 2018 Organizational meeting and the January 8, 2018 Regular Board meeting.

Roll call:

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

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It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Engle to approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of December 2017.

Roll call vote:

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

2018-02-05

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Zappa to approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of January 2018.

Roll call vote:

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

2018-02-06

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Neidert to approve the following:

A. The revision of appropriations and the "412 certificate"

- Increase Capital Projects Fund – 010 - Classroom Facilities \$763,902.00
- Increase Enterprise Fund – 020 – Comet Kids \$62,402.00

B. The amended **Five-Year Forecast** and **assumptions** (Can be found under financials).

C. The contract with **James Zupka, CPA, Inc.**, for **GAAP services** from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2020 as per **Exhibit 9A**.

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

- **Cochran Family Foundation** for a \$6,000 donation to be used for technology.
- **The Live Oak Engine Co. No 2 Unincorporated Association** for a \$200 donation to Special Olympics.
- **Powers PTO** for a \$450 donation used to purchase a laminating machine for Little Comets Preschool.
- **Amherst Steele Theatre Booster Club** for a \$1,000 donation to the MLS Theatre Company, Troupe 1422 for Winter Festival of Plays.

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Neidert, aye; Zappa, aye; Gilles, aye; Engle, aye

### Superintendent's Report: Mr. Steve Sayers

Notes:

- Commended Mrs. Donohue on her work on the forecast and added staffing matches with what happened with enrollment.
- The AJH Creative Learning Center will be ready for bid in a couple of weeks and may bid in March.
- Mr. Engle asked to see a design of the AJH Creative Learning Center at the March meeting.
- Mrs. Caraballo will be sharing an events calendar with the Board members.

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## Administrative Committee Reports:

### Mr. Mike Molnar, Assistant Superintendent

Notes:

- Cochran family donation and Boxcast Streaming.
- Teresa Gilles did ask Mr. Molnar if there was any way we could get a microphone for the presenters, as some of them speak so soft.

### Mr. Rex Engle, JVS Representative

Notes:

- Open house at the JVS was great.

Other Reports: (Administrative Standing Committees)

None

2018-02-07

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Engle to approve the following:

#### A. Accept the following resignations for the **purpose of retirement**:

- **Jeanne Balukas**, Art teacher, Amherst Jr. High, effective 6/30/18.
- **Sandra Jankowski**, Secretary, Powers Elementary, effective end of day 3/16/18.
- **Rebecca Karrer**, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, Nord School, effective end of day 5/31/18.

#### B. Accept the following resignations as indicated:

- **Melissa Carver**, Classified Sub, effective 1/31/18
- **Michael Demich**, Classified Sub, effective 1/19/18
- **Stephanie Rothman**, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, Nord School, effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

#### C. 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:

- **Joanne O'Conner**, 60-day probationary contract, PT Comet Kids Aide, Nord School, effective 1/29/18

#### D. Employ the following individual(s) as certified 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 & FBI background check:

- **Bailey Deulley**, Teacher, effective 1/10/18
- **Karilyn Haupt**, Classified, effective 2/6/18
- **Ronald Hill**, Bus Driver, effective 1/24/18
- **Turner Jones**, Teacher, effective 2/12/18
- **Joanne O'Connor**, Classified, effective 1/29/18
- **Angeline Ragnoni**, Teacher, effective 2/5/18
- **Stacey Reaser**, Classified, effective 1/10/18
- **Logan Weigand**, Teacher, effective 1/10/18

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E. Approve the changes in contracted status for the following individuals for the 2017-2018 school year as indicated.

- **Lisa Dadas**, Nord School Secretary to Powers Elementary School Secretary, effective 4/2/18 (building change only)

F. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the spring and/or year-round extracurricular 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 as per **Attachment 12A**.

G. Approve the salary advancement due to changes in educational training level of certified staff as indicated:

- **Kimberly Haney** from M+30 to M+45
- **Jennifer Henry** from M+20 to M +30
- **Natalie Schneider** from M+30 to M +45
- **Ruth Yuhasz** from B+20 to B+30
- **Breanna Wisnor** from B+30 to M

H. Approve the unpaid medical leave of absence for **Todd Engle**, PE Teacher, Nord School, effective 1/16/18 through the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

I. Grant approval for **Josephine Powell**, MLS Head Cook, to attend the Legislative Action Conference in Washington, DC along with **Deanne Pastva**, Food Service Supervisor, March 4-6, 2018 at no cost to the district.

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

- **Pricilla Fowler**, PT Monitor, Nord School, (balance of a one-year contract), effective 2/14/18
- **Dawn Karnik**, PT Van Driver, (balance of a one-year contract), effective 2/7/18
- **Jenna Porostosky**, EMIS Secretary, (balance of a one-year contract), effective 2/13/18

K. Employ the following individuals, as indicated, for the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Girls Basketball Game hosted on 2/17/18, with compensation reimbursed to the Amherst Schools by OHSAA as per **Attachment 12B**.

L. Implement the **Reduction-in-Force** of Murray Ridge School, Student Attendant, **Kathleen Bennett's** contract, as per the negotiated agreement, effective 2/8/18.

Roll call vote:

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

2018-02-08

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

A. Approve the following overnight field trips:

- **Varsity Wrestling** team, wrestling tournament at Oregon Clay High School as per **Exhibit 13A**.

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- **Mr. Todd's NCT students** who qualify, to attend the Business Professionals of America (BPA) State Conference & Awards in Columbus, OH as per **Exhibit 13B**.
- **Amherst Junior High School's 2018-2019 8<sup>th</sup> grade class** trip to Washington DC as per **Exhibit 13C**.

- B. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the **Special Olympics of Ohio** and **Amherst E.V. School District** and **registration form** as per **Exhibits 13D and 13E**.
- C. Accept the Memorandum of Understanding(s) (MOU) with **Lorain County Community College** and **Kent State University** for the **College Credit Plus (CCP) program** as per **Exhibits 13F and 13G**.
- D. Approve the **Ohio High School Athletic Agreement (OHSAA) Site Agreements** for boys and girls basketball and a district site agreement as per **Exhibits 13H and 13I**.
- E. Approve the contract with **Ombudsman Program Alternative Education Service Agreement First Amendment** as per **Exhibit 13J**.
- F. Approve the agreement with **Boxcast, Inc.**, (live streaming equipment) as per **Exhibit 13K**.

Roll call vote:

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

2018-02-09

It was moved by Engle and seconded by Yacobozzi to authorize the Amherst Athletic Association to control the scheduling of non-school activities on the district's softball and baseball fields, with the exception of the varsity fields. Varsity field usage will be managed by the district's Athletic Director and each sports' respective head coach. This will be for the 2018 spring/summer sports season or until such time that the Board decides otherwise.

Roll call vote:

Engle, aye; Yacobozzi, aye, Gilles, aye; Engle, aye, Neidert, aye

2018-02-10

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Zappa to adjourn to executive session at 6:33 p.m. to discuss the employment, discipline, and compensation of public employees, and preparing for negotiations with public employees, with no action to be taken.

Roll call vote:

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

Returned from executive session at 8:02 p.m.

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

Roll call vote:

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

Board President Teresa Gilles adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

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Board President

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Treasurer