

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular
Meeting

Held at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. Mar 18
20 19

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

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

2019-03-01

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Zappa to adopt the agenda as presented and including any addendums.

Roll call vote:

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

Good News Reports:

Amherst Police Department Chief Lt. Mark Cawthon

- 2nd School Resource Officer – Brian Bowers

Mr. Andrew Gibson – AJH Principal

- CLC
- Master Schedule
- Mr. Harcula – 7th grade basketball SWC champs

Mr. Casey Wolf – Athletic Director

Student Athletic Recognition:

- Josh Hill:** For the 3rd year in a row Josh qualified for the OHSAA State Meet. He finished 26th as a sophomore, 7th as a junior, and this year raced all the way to the end and finished 3rd. Josh will be continuing his Academic and Athletic Career at Eastern Michigan University next Fall.
- Kamryn Dziak:** Kamryn became the 5th Lady Comet to score 1,000 career points. She reached this milestone on Senior Day with a 3-point shot, one of a season record 81 3-point shots made. She finished her career, scoring 1,067 points. Kamryn will be continuing her Academic and Athletic Career at Georgie State University next Fall.
- Hockey Team:** This season the hockey team did something no other Southwestern Conference School has ever done when they won both the Baron Cup and Southwestern Conference Championship in the same season. The team finished with a 32-3 record this season and a two season record of 62 and 5.

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D. **Swimming and Diving:** Our boys Swimming and Diving Team finished another dominating season in the pool, 8-0 in dual meets and 113-point margin of victory at the Southwestern Conference Championship. What does this all mean...for the fourth year in a row, the Comet Boys Swimming and Diving Team brought home a Southwestern Conference Championship. They are one of 4 schools in SWC History to win 4 straight conference championships. Within this group of swimmers, is **Ethan Belak**, who is also our diver. As a freshman, Ethan qualified for the State Championships, where he finished 22nd overall.

2019-03-02

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

- A. The board minutes of 2/11/19 with the amendment, in the roll call, of the spelling of Valeria Neidert to Valerie Neidert.
- B. Approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of February 2019, (See exhibits 8A and 8B)
- C. Approve the revision of appropriations and the "412 certificate",
 - Prom Fund/SPCC 200-9099 from \$21,450 to \$27,850
 - Special Olympics Fund 300-4590-9210 from \$1,250 to \$7,250
- D. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donation to the Amherst Schools:
 - **Amherst Steele Theatre Booster Group** for a \$6,500 donation to pay for independent contractors used in the Spring production by the MLS Theatre Company, Troupe 1422.

Roll call vote:

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

Steve Sayers - Superintendent's Report:

Notes:

Mr. Sayers publicly thanked the Transition Committee regarding the new Powers Elementary. Staffing will be handled through attrition and retirements.

Mr. Mike Molnar – Assistant Superintendent

Notes:

- Mr. Molnar spoke about parent engagement
- Gr 9-10 Connections Academy

Mr. Rex Engle – JVS Representative

Notes: None

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2019-03-04

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

- A. Accept the following resignations for the **purpose of retirement**:
- **William Matthews**, Social Studies/CBI Teacher at M.L. Steele High School, effective 5/31/19.
 - **Mark Skladan**, Musical/Vocal Teacher, M.L. Steele High School, effective end of day 5/30/19.
 - **Ruth Yubasz**, Family & Consumer Science Teacher, M.L. Steele High School, effective 9/30/19.
 - **Kaye R. Zukowski**, Family & Consumer Science Teacher, M.L. Steele High School, effective end of day 9/30/19.
- B. Accept the following resignations as indicated:
- **Elizabeth Curbelo-Robles**, PT Bus Driver, effective end of day 2/22/19
 - **Zachary Glowacki**, Varsity Assistant Track Coach, effective 2/27/19
 - **Erin Kasper**, Assistant Jr. High Track Coach, effective 2/27/19
- C. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract, for the **2018-2019** 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:
- **Jenna Hall**, 60-day probationary contract, PT Van Driver, effective 3/4/19.
 - **Douglas Hicks**, 60-day probationary contract, PT Bus Driver, effective 3/5/19.
- D. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the **2018-2019** school year, as indicated, with compensation at the board approve substitute rates pending completion of all employment requirements, including, but not limited to licensure/certification (if required) and a BCI & FBI background check:
- **Cameron St. Clair**, Certified, effective 2/12/19
 - **Julie Steele**, Certified, effective 2/13/19
 - **Donald Weller**, Certified, effective 2/19/19
- E. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for spring and/or year-round extra-curricular activities during the **2018-2019** 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:
- **Erin Kasper** – Varsity Assistant High Track Coach, (1/2 contract)
 - **Garrett Mullins** – Track Volunteer
 - **Kayla Nunez-Knowlton** – Varsity Assistant High Track Coach (1/2 contract)
 - **Megan Parker** – Track Volunteer
 - **Aleecia Sunagel** – Softball Volunteer

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F. Grant the following certified personnel a supplemental contract for their services as a home instruction tutor for the **2018-2019** school year, inclusive of summer **2019** if necessary, on an "as needed basis" with compensation at the board approved rate:

- **Michelle McClintic**, effective 2/12/2019

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

- **Bethzida Rivera**, FT Bus Driver, balance of a one-year contract, effective 3/8/19.

H. Approve the revised **Ancillary Salary Table** for the **2018-2019** school year as per **Attachment 11A**.

I. Approve **Melissa Anderson** as AJH Track Announcer, for the **2018-2019** school year, to be paid according to the Ancillary Salary Table.

The following are to be listed as substitute AJH Track Announcers (to be used as needed):

- Janet Caraballo
- Brian Kelley
- Lisa Schenk

J. Approve the request for an unpaid non-professional leave of absence for **Ruth Yuhasz**, Family & Consumer Science Teacher, M.L. Steele High School, effective 8/19/19 through 9/30/19.

K. Accept the resignation of custodian/cleaner Cindy Jo Wetzal, effective 3/31/19 for personal reasons and authorizes and directs the Superintendent, Board President and Treasurer to execute documents relating to her separation from employment.

Roll call vote:

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

2019-03-04

It was moved by Neidert seconded by Gilles to approve the following:

A. Enter into a service contract with the **Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities (LCBDD)** for the **2019-2020** school year for the provision of school-age services as needed, as per **Exhibit 12A**.

B. Approve the following overnight field trip(s).

- **MLS theatre students to the Ohio Educational Theatre Association State Thespian Conference** trip to Akron School for the Arts, effective 3/29/19 – 3/31/19 as per **Exhibit 12B**.

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C. Approve the following allocations from the Recreation Funds:

- Summer Baseball/Softball - \$5,000
- Sandstone Summer Theatre - \$4,000
- Swimming - \$2,000

D. Approve the revised school calendar for the 2019-2020 school year (addition of conference and open house dates) as per Attachment 12A.

E. Approve the new school day times beginning with the 2019-2020 school year:

Powers – 8:45 am – 3:45 pm (Preschool: AM 9:15 – 11:45 / PM 12:45 – 3:15)
 Nord – 8:30 – 3:30 pm
 AJH – 7:30 am – 2:30 pm – coordinates w/HS busing
 ML Steele – 7:45 am – 2:45 pm

Roll call vote:

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

2019-03-05

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

- A. Approve the Consulting and Agronomic Services Agreement with Gary D’Andrea, Independent Consultant as per Exhibit 13A.
- B. Approve the agreement for transportation services, for a Vermilion Local School student to be transported to PEP (Positive Education Program) on our bus route.

Roll call vote:

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

2019-03-06

It was moved by Zappa, seconded by Yacobozzi to adjourn to executive session at 6:09 p.m. to discuss personnel employment and pending litigation.

Roll call vote:

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

2019-03-06

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Zappa to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call vote:

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

Board President Rex Engle adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer