

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Regular

Meeting

Minutes of the Amherst Exempted Village Board of Education

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held at the M.L. Steele Media Center at 4:30 p.m. on January 12, 2015

President Teresa Gilles presided.

Roll call vote:

Rex Engle, present; Teresa Gilles, present; Bob Kamnikar, present; Marc Zappa, present; Ron Yacobozzi, 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.

2015-01-09

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

Roll call vote:

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

The Board of Education recognized the local police department. The Board of Education gave the Chief of Police a plaque thanking them for being a great partner with the School District.

Mr. Miller, Nord Middle School Principal, shared about the writing project Mrs. Kovach was doing with her students.

The Board took a break at 5:00 p.m. and returned to regular session at 5:15 p.m.

TREASURER'S NOTES:

Assessed Valuation increased by 1,6 million. General Fund will increase by around 110,000.

Health Insurance – in looking at a review at the end of December, 2014 it looks like we will be getting a 7% increase.

Went through the financial reports with the Board. We are halfway through the year and we are on track with our projections.

2015-01-10

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

- A. The minutes of the December 15, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.
- B. The Treasurer's financial reports for the month of December, 2014.
- C. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donations:

**Mr. Donald Redman** donated 20 American Heritage books to the Steele Media Center valued at \$50.00

**The Powers PTO** donated \$16,179.95 to Powers Elementary to purchase 30 iPads, 30 iPad covers and one (1) iPad cart.

**The Allen Memorial Art Museum, Oberlin College** donated \$142.40 to cover expenses related to the AJH field trip to the museum.

**Amherst Steele High School Class of 1960** donated \$500.00 to Amherst school in memory of Richard Cooley to be deposited into the Track and Field Fund.

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Roll call vote:

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

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Mr. Mike Molnar**, Executive Director of Educational Services  
All day kindergarten  
New area of Science – Biomimicry

**Mr. Rex Engle**, JVS Representative  
Open House

**Amherst Community Foundation** – Judy Alexander will not be continuing as a representative of the school. Mr. Engle thinks that Barbara Donohue would be best suited as the representative since she attends the meetings and is a financial piece to the meetings.

**Mr. Bob Kaminkar**, Board Member (Community Task Force Update)  
Notes: Strategic Plan – Focus at Risk Behavior  
Library Book Club Meeting, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Arabica coffee shop,  
the meeting will be dedicated how we can partner with the schools.

2015-01-11

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

- A. Approve the following individuals, as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract for the 2014-2015 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.

**Tom Grisel**, part-time cook/cashier assigned to Harris Elementary, 30-day probationary contract, for the 2014-2015 school year, effective 1/5/15

- B. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the fall and/or year round extra-curricular activities during the 2015-2016 school year, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCII and FBI background check:

**Drew Biedenbach**, boys' varsity soccer coach

- C. Acknowledge the following individuals as volunteers for the winter and/or school year, pending completion of all volunteer requirements, including but not limited to a Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCII and FBI background check:

**Jason Bodnar**, AJH Wrestling Coach

- D. Employ the following individuals as substitutes, as indicated for the 2014-2015 school year, with compensation at the appropriate board approved substitute rate pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a teaching license/certificate (certified employees) and a background check (BCII & FBI) for all substitutes:

**Andrius Balukas**, teacher, effective 1/5/15

**Kathleen Behra**, long term English substitute, 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, effective 1/5/15

**Michael Kriesen**, teacher effective 1/5/15

**Kristen Zocchi**, teacher, effective 1/5/15

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

Linda Rourke, part time monitor, (balance of a one year contract), effective 1/14/15

F. Approve the reassignment of Maria Tomusko, student attendant, from AJH to Nord Middle school, effective 1/5/15.

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

- Alex Baldwin from M to M+10
Colleen Pete from M to M+10
Jennifer Forthofer from M to M+10
Kim Haney from M+10 to M+20
Mary Courtney McMullen from M+10 to M+20
Mark Lowrie from M+10 to M+20
Natalie Schneider from M+20 to M+30

H. Adjust the State of Ohio minimum wage from \$7.95/hr. to \$8.10/hr. to appropriate employees, effective 1/5/2015:

I. Approve the salary amendment for Jon Heyd, technology technician, with the compensation of \$26/hr., effective 1/12/15.

Roll call vote:

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

2015-01-12

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Kamnikar to approve items A through F excluding D

A. Approve the College Credit Plus and MyUniversity Guarantee terms and conditions prepared by Lorain County Community College & The University Partnership program, effective 7/1/15 through 5/30/18 as per Exhibit 13A.

B. Approve the 2015-2016 school year calendar as per Attachment 13A.

C. Approve the change in the location of the preschool from Powers Elementary to Nord Middle School, effective beginning with the 2015-2016 school year

D. Approve the tuition free, all-day, every-day kindergarten at Powers Elementary to Nord Middle School, effective beginning the 2015-2016 school year.

E. Approve the overnight field trip for the FIRST Robotics Club to attend the FIRST Robotics competition in Myrtle Beach, S.C. from 2/25/15 through 3/1/15 as per Exhibit 13B.

F. Approve the swim lane usage agreement with Mercy Health & Recreation Center as per Exhibit 13C.

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Roll call vote:

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

2015-01-13

It was moved by Engle, seconded by Zappa to approve Item D from Motion #2015-01-12;

Roll call vote:

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

2015-01-14

It was moved by Zappa and seconded by Kamnikar to approve the sale of Bus #28 to Lake Ridge Academy for \$3,500.00.

Roll call vote:

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

2015-01-15

It was moved by Engle and seconded by Yacobozzi to adjourn to executive session at 5:45 P.M., to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employees, and prepare for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees, with no action to be taken.

Roll call vote:

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

The Board returned to regular session at 6:23 p.m.

2015-01-16

It was moved by Kamnikar, seconded by Yacobozzi to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

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

Board President Teresa Gilles adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:24 p.m.

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Board President

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Treasurer