

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Regular
Meeting

Minutes of the Amherst Board of Education

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC. FORM NO. 10148

Held at the M.L. Steele Media Center at 4:30 p.m. on Aug 10, 20 15

President Teresa Gilles presided.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

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

2015-08-01

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

Roll call vote:

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

Creative Learning Spaces – Mark Kostur

Mr. Kostur shared the five learning spaces that they have designed:

- Presentation Spaces
- Collaboration Spaces
- Virtual Learning Spaces
- Model Classroom Spaces
- One Button Video Studio

Mike May - 2014-2015 Steele Highlights – Mr. May shared the new and exciting things that are going on at Marion L. Steele

2015-08-02

It was moved by Engle, seconded by Kamnikar to appoint a board member as the delegate for the Amherst Schools to the Annual Business Meeting of the Ohio School Boards Association to be held on 11/9/15 – Nominee – Mr. Zappa

Roll call vote:

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

Treasurer’s Report: Mrs. Barb Donohue

Notes:

- RAM – Requisition Approval Manager, it has been implemented and the process is much smoother and efficient.
- Refpay/Arbiter – we currently are setting up Refpay/Arbiter for our officials. This is an online process for officials to select events and get paid online.
- Health Insurance Spousal Language became effective July 1, 2015
- Leadership Lorain County – I have been accepted in the Class of 2016. It is a year- long leadership series and we will meet once a month.

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2015-08-03

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

- A. The Board minutes for the 7/20/2015 regular board meeting
- B. The Treasurer's financial reports for the month of July, 2015
- C. Approve the financial consulting services agreement with **Rockmill Financial Consultants, LLC** for the 2015-2016 school year as per **Exhibit 9A**.
- D. Approve a resolution estimating the amount of active and inactive moneys of the Amherst Exempted Village School District to be awarded for the period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019 as per **Exhibit 9B**.

Roll call vote:

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

Superintendent Reports: Mr. Steve Sayers

Notes:

- Feel really good where we are at as a district! Just over a week away from school starting and have a lot of momentum in a lot of areas: (summer projects, kindergarten, preschool, roof projects, etc). Things are going well
- Tuesday, August 18, 2015 all staff meeting.

Administrative Committee Reports:

Mr. Mike Molnar, Executive Director of Educational Services

- Thanked Mark Kostur for his presentation. Also wanted to thank the Tech staff for all the work in going through all the equipment room and making sure everything is ready to go.
- I am excited about the beginning of the school year. Third grade and a fifth grade teacher positions yet to fill and then we will be good to go.
- After the Board approves the bus routes this evening they will be posted tomorrow as well as class lists. Power school accounts will be open week before school starts.
- Thursday will be the back to school edition from the Amherst News Times.

Mr. Rex Engle, JVS Representative

- Gearing up for start of school after fair week.
- Finishing up the projects they have started and everything looks good.

2015-08-04

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

- A. Accept the resignation from the following individuals, as indicated:
Jane Lehman, substitute teacher, effective 8/7/15

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- B. Approve the request for an unpaid leave of absence for **Todd Engle**, due to medical reasons, for the 2015-2016 school year, with the intent to return for the 2016-2017 school year.
- C. Approve the request for a non-professional leave of absence for **Katherine Austin**, 5th grade teacher at Nord Middle school, for the 2015-2016 school year.
- D. Approve the re-employment of Food Services Supervisor, **Wanda Warford**, for 170 days beginning 9/1/15 through 6/30/16. Annual salary will be \$45,000 with fringe benefits provided as with other administrative staff in accordance with the administrative handbook.
- E. Approve the change of placement and schedule for **Jacob Percival**, Physical Education teacher, from part-time at Powers Elementary to full-time at Nord Middle school, effective 8/17/15.
- F. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract, for the 2015-2016 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.
 - Cathy Ody**, 60-day probationary contract, part-time bus driver, effective 8/17/15
 - Margaret Settle**, 30-day probationary contract, 4 hour bus aide for Positive Education Program (PEP), effective 8/17/15
- G. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the 2015-2016 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 BCII & FBI background check:
 - **Kyle Fitch**, Custodian, effective 8/19/15
 - **Mary Ann Foster**, Sign Interpreter, effective 8/17/15
 - **Ryan Hudasek**, Custodian, effective 8/19/15
 - **Laura Swift-Hause**, Teacher, effective 8/17/15
 - **Lynne Traut**, Teacher, effective 8/17/15
- H. Employ **Ken Long** to work as summer help during the summer of 2015, for building and grounds, at a rate of \$11.00 per hour, pending completion of all employment requirements, effective 8/7/15
- I. Employ **Tammy Clotz** to work "as needed" for the summer of 2015, as a custodial substitute, with compensation at the regular substitute hourly rate, pending completion of all employment requirements, effective 8/6/15.
- J. Approve payment of mileage expenses and a rate of \$14.29 per hour to **Michael Edwards**, Intervention Specialist, for attending the Positive Education Institute (PEP) for additional training on June 15-16, 2015 per the negotiated contract.
- K. Approve the following staff members to be paid \$14.29 per hour (up to 6 hours) as per the negotiated contract, upon attending the Special Education Training Day to be held on August 12, 2015:
 - Kelly Baon, Paul Brooks, Maureen Bruder, Kelly Bruenig, Sara Bulea, Kevin Collins, Mike Edwards, Corrie Engle, Jennifer Forthofer, Jill Galloway, Lisa Harcula, Gia Hober, Tomie Houston, Erica Kaufman,**

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Patricia Keberle, Beth Kovach, Tiffany Leavitt, Betty Lehman, Kaye Long, Jodi Magers, Russ Marty, Andrea Massie, Courtney McMullen, Sandra Mellott, Joel Melvin, Holly Miller, Sara Mowcomber, Mary Kay Mullen, Rebecca Nielsen, Nora Pavlov, Myra Pecora, Georgeane Poplar, Jen Rush, Lisa Schenk, Erica Stallings, Lisa Tilk, Kelly Waldon, Colene Walker, Gina Welch, Joyce West, Annette Winemiller, Wendy Zimmerman

- L. Approve payment for the following staff members for summer curriculum work completed on 8/3/15, to be paid \$14.29 per hour as per negotiated agreement.

Michelle Jagodzinski (4 hours)
Katy Innes (4 hours)
Jennifer Rush (4 hours)
Tommie Houston (3 hours)

- M. Approve an additional two work days for **Sharon Arendash**, part-time monitor at AJH, to be paid at her regular hourly rate.
- N. Employ the following individuals as Title I Tutors for the 2015-2016 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:

Maria Bertoncin
Colleen Burman
Shirley Friedman
Jeanette Holp
Elena Kelley
Megan Murphy
Kelly Park
Ashley Quarando
Michael Rutar

- O. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the fall and/or year round extracurricular activities during the 2015-2016 school year as per **Attachment 12A**, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a Pupil Activity Permit, if required for position, and a BCII and FBI background check.
- P. Employ the Ancillary salary schedule for game management and athletic event personnel during the 2015-2016 school year for the high school and Jr. high school to be paid from the athletic fund as per **Attachment 12B**.
- Q. Authorize the superintendent to hire all certified substitutes for the 2015-2016 school year from the approved list provided by the Lorain County Educational Service Center.
- R. Approve the game management and athletic event personnel as per **Attachment 12C** to be paid according to the approved 2015-2016 Ancillary salary schedule.
- S. Approve the recommendation of Jill Williams as the Jr. Varsity Cheerleading Advisor for the 2015-2016, at a stipend of \$1,000.00 for her services.

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Mr. Kamnikar wanted to mention that he saw Todd Engle's name and wanted to let everyone know that he is going through a lot and indicated he and his wife, Corrie, reach out to the children of the district. He said that Todd spoke at his church.

Roll call vote:

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

2015-08-05

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

- A. Approve the resolution opposing **HB 70** as per **Attachment 13A**.
- B. Enter into an agreement with the **Avon Local School District** for the purpose of sharing a psychologist for the 2015-2016 school year as per **Exhibit 13A**.
- C. Approve the contract with MTI Productions for Steele High School's amateur production of Little Shop of Horrors as per **Exhibit 13B**.

Roll call vote:

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

2015-08-06

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

- A. Approve the bus routes/stops for Powers Elementary, Harris Elementary, Nord Middle and Amherst Jr. High for the 2015-2016 school year as presented in Exhibit 14A and authorize the transportation supervisor to make adjustments to routes/stops as needed throughout the 2015-2016 school year.
- B. Approve the proposal/bid for the purchase of a new school bus as per **Exhibit 14B**.
- C. Approve payment of the Service Maintenance Agreement with **Enabling Technologies** in the amount of \$765.00 as per **Exhibit 14C**.
- D. Enter into an agreement with **Pitney Bowes** for leasing a postage meter as per **Exhibit 14D**.
- E. Approve the **Transportation Procedure Manual** as per **Exhibit 14E**.

Roll Call Vote:

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

2015-08-07

It was moved by Zappa, seconded by Kamnikar to withdraw the minutes 9-A.

Roll Call Vote:

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

2015-08-08

It was moved by Zappa, seconded by Kamnikar to approve the minutes 9-A.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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It was moved by Engle and seconded by Kamnikar to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

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

Board President Teresa Gilles adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer