

ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63
BOARD OF EDUCATION
APRIL 23, 2025
RE-ORGANIZATIONAL and REGULAR MEETING, 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Huegen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call shows Athmer, present; Boeckmann, present; Henry, present; Huegen, present; Jung, present; Lucas, present; Wuebbels, present. Everyone in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

Sally Albers, Abby Braundmeier and Chris Norrenberns were present. Superintendent Mike Toebe and Bookkeeper Janel Zurliene were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Athmer made the motion to approve the agenda. Jung made the second motion. Voice votes show all present in favor.

BOOSTER CLUB

- Box Tops are still being collected in the digital format.
- The playground equipment needs some repairs. The estimate is approximately \$100,000.00. A Dueling Piano fundraiser was held on March 8, 2025, at the Albers Legion. Auction items, volunteers, and donations raised over \$38,000.00.
- Field Day is being planned to be held at Whispering Pines. Many volunteers are needed.
- They will be assisting Ms. Dumstorff with decorations at the Spring Concert.
- A graduation greeting sign has been ordered for May 15, 2025. It will be displayed in the grass in front of the school.
- The next meeting is April 29, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ASSIGNMENTS

- BUILDING & GROUNDS, Lucas, Henry, Boeckmann – There is nothing at this time.
- TECHNOLOGY, Athmer, Wuebbels, Lucas – There is nothing at this time.
- SPORTS CO-OP/FRIENDS OF THE COUGARS, Jung, Boeckmann – There is nothing at this time.
- SAFETY – There is nothing at this time.
- CAT TEAM – There is nothing at this time.
- FINANCE – Huegen, Wuebbels, Boeckmann – There is nothing at this time.
- KASKASKIA COLLEGE COMMITTEE – Huegen, Henry, Athmer – There is nothing at this time.
- SIP – There is nothing at this time.
- PARENT ADVISORY BOARD – There is nothing at this time.
- BULLYING – There is nothing at this time.

TEACHER REPORTS

- There is nothing at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Jung made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2025, regular meeting; approve and seal the executive session minutes from March 26, 2025; approve the financial report; and approve the bills for \$ 41,457.09. Boeckmann made the second motion. Roll call shows Boeckmann, aye; Henry, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Lucas, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT – Jung made the motion to extend the Superintendent's Contract through 2030 as presented. Boeckmann made the second motion. Roll call shows Henry, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Lucas, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Boeckmann, aye.

DECLARATION OF THE VOTING RESULTS FROM APRIL 1, 2025 – Mr. Toebe read the results. Chris Norrenberns, Tina Wuebbels, and Marshall Lucas were elected as board members. All board members recited the Oath of Office.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE RETIRING BOARD – Boeckmann made the motion to adjourn the retiring board. Jung made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

Mr. Toebe thanked Lynette Huegen, Jamie Jung, and Lynn Boeckmann for their years of service on the board.

REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Mr. Toebe called the meeting to order at 7:11 PM. Mr. Toebe was appointed the President Pro Term. Roll call shows Athmer, present; Henry, present; Lucas, present; Norrenberns, present; Wuebbels, present.

VISITORS

Sally Albers and Abby Braundmeier were present. Superintendent Mike Toebe and Bookkeeper Janel Zurliene were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Athmer made the motion to approve the agenda with changes to board positions – two-year terms and date changes to 2025-2026 for coaching positions. Henry made the second motion. Voice votes show all present in favor.

ELECTION OF PERMANENT OFFICERS – 2-year terms

Athmer nominated Lucas for President. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.

Athmer nominated Wuebbels for Vice-President. Henry made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye.

Wuebbels nominated Athmer for Secretary. Henry made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye.

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

The meeting date was set for the fourth Wednesday at 7:00 PM. The May meeting date will be May 28, 2025, at 5:00 PM due to a scheduling conflict.

Athmer made the motion to authorize the depository of school funds at First County Bank in Albers, IL. Henry made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye.

Wuebbels made the motion to declare that all existing policies shall be continued in force until otherwise changed. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye.

Athmer made the motion to declare the Superintendent as agent for all governmental programs, state, and federal, and that the Superintendent be authorized to submit applications for such programs in a timely manner. Henry made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.

Wuebbels made the motion to appoint Tiffany Engelmann as the District Treasurer. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye.

Wuebbels made the motion to appoint Janel Zurliene as the Recording Secretary. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye.

Henry made the motion to appoint Courtney Athmer to the KSED Governing Board. Norrenberns made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye.

Wuebbels made the motion to advertise for the vacant Board two-year term positions. Athmer made the second motion. Voice votes show all in favor.

Committee assignments were tabled until the vacant positions were filled.

OLD BUSINESS

- 2023-2024 MAINTENANCE GRANT – Progress is being made in the new front office. The cabinets and desks are being built at this time. The estimated completion day is late May. An open house will be planned later this summer.
- 2025 MAINTENANCE GRANT – The project will begin on June 1, 2025. All doors and frames will be painted blue. The wooded doors will be replaced with metal doors.
- SUBSTITUTE EVENING CUSTODIAN – This item was tabled. There were no applicants.
- 2025-2026 SCHOOL FEES – This item was tabled.
- 2025-2026 TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT – Athmer made the motion to approve the contract presented by Zurliene Bus Service. Henry made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye.
- EGYPTIAN TRUST – Mr. Toebe shared information regarding the employee health insurance additional premium from Egyptian Area Trust. This item was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

- SUMMER MAINTENANCE PROJECTS – This item was tabled.
- 2025-2026 PARENT & STUDENT HANDBOOK – This item was tabled.
- 2025-2026 ATHLETIC HANDBOOK – This item was tabled. A coach handbook also needs to be created and approved.
- 2025-2026 JUNIOR HIGH HANDBOOK – This item was tabled.
- AUDIT PROPOSAL – Athmer made the motion to approve the audit proposal not to exceed \$7,850.00. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Henry, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.
- ATHLETIC DIRECTOR – Wuebbels made the motion to hire Kyle Peters as the Athletic Director. Henry made the motion. Roll call vote shows: Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye. Roll call vote shows: Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye.

- COACHING STAFF – Athmer made the motion to hire Liz Norrenberns as the JV & Varsity GBB coach; Kyle Peters as the JV & Varsity BBB coach; Casey Thole as the JV & Varsity Volleyball coach; Rylee Toennies as the Cheerleading coach; Mike Hellmann as the Bowling coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Norrenberns, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Henry, aye; Lucas, aye. All other positions were tabled.
- COACHING VOLUNTEERS – Athmer made the motion to have Solana Schumacher as a volunteer cheer coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor. All other positions were tabled.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Field Day will be at Whispering Pines near Carlyle, IL on May 20, 2025. Volunteers are needed to assist with activities.
- Classroom clean-out day will be May 21, 2025.
- Graduation will be May 15, 2025 at 7:00 PM for 8th grade.
- Awards Day will be May 22, 2025.
- Thank you notes were received from the family of Marge Ottensmeier and the Cancer Night donation recipients.
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

There is nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Athmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Wuebbels made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

Marshall Lucas, President

Courtney Athmer, Secretary