

ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63
BOARD OF EDUCATION
APRIL 22, 2026
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Lucas called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Roll call shows Athmer, present; Deimeke, present; Henry, present; Hilmes, present; Lucas, present; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, present. Everyone in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

Rochelle Halstead, Amanda Swink, and Christelle Bretz were present. Susan Scott arrived at 7:06 PM. 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. Henry made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

BOOSTER CLUB

- Dine-Out event at Joe's Pizza is scheduled for April 22, 2026.
- Raffle tickets are still available.
- A golf tournament will be held on Sunday, June 7, 2026.
- The Spring concert is May 5, 2026. The BC will help with decorations.
- Field Day will be at Whispering Pines on May 15, 2026.
- The flower fundraiser was successful.
- The Booster Club will be adding mulch to the playground.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ASSIGNMENTS

There is nothing at this time.

TEACHER REPORTS

There is nothing at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Wuebbels made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2026, regular meeting; table the executive session minutes from March 25, 2026; approve the financial report; and approve the bills for \$ 42,516.31. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call shows Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.

OLD BUSINESS

- 2026 MAINTENANCE GRANT – The application was approved by the State of Illinois. The boiler will be replaced by a rooftop unit. The curtain in the cafeteria and assembly room will be replaced. Work will begin this summer.
- KINDNESS CLUB – Dr. Toebe reported that it is going well. There is a kindness tree in the cafeteria with each leaf showing a form of kindness. There have been several presentations for the students in March and April regarding bullying and mental health. There are 16 students interested in the Kindness Club.
- POLICY REVIEW – Dr. Toebe presented a few of the current policies and reviewed them with the board members.
- SUMMER POSITIONS – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Quinten Engelmann and to hire Trigg Goestenkers. Henry made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye.
- 2026 – 2027 SCHOOL FEES – This item was tabled. Dr. Toebe will gather more information from the other schools in the county.
- 2026-2027 TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT – Zurliene Bus Service presented the contract for the 2026-2027 school year. The rate was \$98,500.00 for regular routes. Wuebbels made the motion to approve the contract as presented. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – The Kitchen Substitute position was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

- RESIGNATION – Athmer made the motion to approve the resignation of Tiffany Gravitt. Henry made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

- CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT PLAN – Athmer made the motion to approve as presented. Deimeke made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- PRES POLICY UPDATES – The first reading was held.
- SUMMER PROJECTS – WE are not stripping floors this summer. The mulch will be replaced with rubber. The landscape will be updated on the South side of the building. The Booster Club is willing to purchase new desks for the teachers.
- 2026-2027 PARENT & STUDENT HANDBOOK – The first reading was held.
- 2026-2027 ATHLETIC HANDBOOK – The first reading was held. The co-op committee will also review.
- 2026-2027 JUNIOR HIGH HANDBOOK – The first reading was held. It will also be reviewed on May 1, 2026, with the JH staff members.
- 2026-2027 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – This item was tabled. Dr. Toebe is working on a job description.
- 2026-2027 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Athmer made the motion to hire Kyle Peters as the Athletic Director. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT - Athmer made the motion to re-hire Liz Norrenberns as the JV & V GBB coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT – Wuebbels made the motion to re-hire Kyle Peters as the JV & V BBB coach. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call shows Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Ken Lake as the 5th & 6th BBB coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call shows Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT - Wuebbels made the motion to re-hire Rylee Toennies as the Cheer coach. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT - Athmer made the motion to re-hire Andra Goestenkers as the Track coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT - Athmer made the motion to re-hire Andra Goestenkers as the Cross-Country coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT – Wuebbels made the motion to re-hire Mike Hellmann as the Bowling coach. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Abby Braundmeier as the softball coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT - Athmer made the motion to re-hire Dean Oelze as the baseball coach. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, aye; Norrenberns, absent; Athmer, aye.
- 2026-2027 COACHING EMPLOYMENT - The 5th & 6th GBB, volleyball, assistant track, golf, robotics, and all volunteer coaches were tabled.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- The teachers will begin making recommendations for Summer School next week.
- The school will be getting new subscriptions for the Reading and Math series. The bills could be larger due to the new series.
- Track is going well for both teams.
- Field trips are scheduled and happening each week.
- The Student Council will be sponsoring a Reptile assembly on April 23, 2026.
- The athletic banquet is April 30, 2026.
- Graduation is May 14, 2026, at 7:00 PM. Board members are asked to be at the school by 6:45 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There is nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Athmer made a motion to adjourn at 7:41 PM. Wuebbels made the second motion. All in favor.

Marshall Lucas, President

Courtney Athmer, Secretary