

ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 23, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

President Rickhoff called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call shows: Athmer, present; Huegen, present; Kloeckner, present; Richter, present; Rickhoff, present; Winterbottom, present; Wuebbels, absent. Everyone in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

Lynn Boeckmann, Tina Wuebbels, Kristie Weh and Rachel Beckemeyer were present. Recording Secretary Janel Zurliene and Superintendent Mike Toebe were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Athmer made the motion to approve the agenda. Richter made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

BOOSTER CLUB

- The SCRIP program is still running. Mrs. Bretz has offered to be the coordinator this year.
- Field day is being planned for May 28, 2021 with the 1:40 PM dismissal.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- SIP – There is nothing at this time.
- BUILDING & GROUNDS – Mr. Toebe is working on the memorial benches placement for future donations. Student Council may be able to donate funds to improve the landscaping at the front entrance.
- PARENT ADVISORY BOARD – There is nothing at this time.
- TECHNOLOGY – There is nothing at this time.
- BULLYING – There is nothing at this time.
- SPORTS CO-OP/FRIENDS OF THE COUGARS – There is nothing at this time.
- SAFETY – There is nothing at this time.
- CAT TEAM – There is nothing at this time.

TEACHER REPORTS

- There is nothing at this time.

AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

Huegen made the motion to approve the February regular meeting minutes; seal the February executive session; approve the bills \$ 33,598.93 and approve the financial report. Kloeckner made the second motion. Roll call vote: Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye.

OLD BUSINESS

- MAINTAINANCE GRANT / SUMMER PROJECTS – The parking lot and sidewalk work will be performed as weather allows.
- COVID – 19 UPDATES & PROCEDURES – A weekly update will be sent via Teacherease. If students are not in session during the fourth quarter, they will not be able to participate in field trips or field day.
- SPORTS CO-OP – A meeting needs to be organized with Damiansville to review the Co-op. Gym use by outside groups is still not permitted at this time. A cleaning policy needs to be created. Track and golf started this week.
- SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION – This item was tabled.
- CARES ACT Funding – The school will receive additional funding estimated near \$ 59,000.00. More information will be shared as it is received. Summer school, HVAC replacements; Chromebooks and counseling services are a few things planned with possible use of these funds.
- CALENDAR – Richter made the motion to approve the amended 2020-2021 calendar. Winterbottom made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- CALENDAR - Athmer made the motion to approve the proposed calendar for 2021-2022 school year. Richter made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- IEA/NEA CONTRACT – The current contract is expiring in August 2021. Mr. Glynn and Mrs. Recker are the staff representatives. Winterbottom, Wuebbels and Richter volunteered to represent the Board of Education.
- EMPLOYMENT – Kloeckner made the motion to hire Bree Gerfen as the Track coach. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote: Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye.

- EMPLOYMENT – Huegen made the motion to hire Andra Goesten Kors as the Assistant Track coach. Richter made the second motion. Roll call vote: Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT - Kloeckner made the motion to hire Jessica Hogg as the Scholar Bowl coach. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote: Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Huegen made the motion to hire Joe Glynn as the Golf coach. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote: Athmer, aye; Huegen, absent; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent.
- EMPLOYMENT – All other positions were tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

- AUDIT – Huegen made the motion to have the annual audit performed by Glass & Shuffett not to exceed \$ 5,350.00. Kloeckner made the second motion. Roll call vote: Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye.
- LANDSCAPING – Boeckmann Landscaping has prepared a drawing of potential improvements at the main entrance. The Student Council has funds available to help offset the expense. Boeckmann also gathered some donations of plants.
- ASBESTOS REMOVAL – This item was tabled.
- BUILDING APPRAISAL – This item was tabled.
- LINDENWOOD AGREEMENT – Kloeckner made the motion to approve the agreement for student teachers from Lindenwood University. Winterbottom made the second motion. Voice votes shows all present in favor.
- 5 ESSENTIALS SURVEY – This link will be shared next week for student to complete.
- SENIORITY LIST – The list was reviewed.
- EMPLOYMENT – Kloeckner made the motion to re-hire the tenured teachers, Glenda Recker, Lisa Groennert, Kristie Weh, Angela Wellen, Rachel Beckemeyer, Joe Glynn, Christelle Bretz and Jessica Hogg. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote: Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Winterbottom made the motion to re-hire and grant tenure to Tiffany Zurliene and Casey Thole. Richter made the second motion. Roll call vote: Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Kloeckner made the motion to re-hire Taylor Kampwerth. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote: Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Winterbottom made the motion to re-hire Charles Prager. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote: Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Kloeckner made the motion to re-hire Susan Scott. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote: Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Winterbottom made the motion to employ Joe Glynn as the Athletic Director. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote: Athmer, aye; Huegen, absent; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent.
- EMPLOYMENT – The Science position, Paraprofessionals and Assistant Kitchen were tabled.
- EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Tracy Schulte. Kloeckner made the second motion. Roll call vote: Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Craig Etter as the Head Custodian. Kloeckner made the second motion. Roll call vote: Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Chris Huegen as the District Secretary, Lunch Bookkeeper and Technology Coordinator. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote: Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye.
- EMPLOYMENT – Kloeckner made the motion to re-hire Janel Zurliene as the Superintendent's Secretary, District Bookkeeper and Substitute Coordinator. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote: Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye; Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Toeben shared information regarding items on the agenda.

- The Regional Office of Education and the State of Illinois Fire Marshall visited the school and made suggestions on improvements. Craig Etter made the suggested changes within two days as noted.
- Graduation is set for May 20, 2021. There will be an 8th grade graduation parent meeting on March 30, 2021.
- The KSED Governing board meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2021 at 10:30 AM via Zoom.
- IAR testing will be the last week of April 2021. The Illinois Science Assessment will be after the IAR testing.
- The Spring Concert will only feature the band this year. It will also be combined with the Damiansville band students. The date of the concert is May 6, 2021 with a 1:30 PM performance at Albers and a 7:00 PM performance at Damiansville.
- School board elections are April 6, 2021.

- The next meeting will be April 27, 2021 with the reorganization and regular meeting held at the same meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Winterbottom made a motion to enter into the executive session at 8:14 PM. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call shows: Athmer, present; Huegen, present; Kloeckner, present; Richter, present; Rickhoff, present; Winterbottom, present; Wuebbels, absent. Mr. Toeben was also present.

Huegen made a motion to exit the executive session at 8:30 PM. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call shows: Huegen, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Richter, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, absent; Athmer, aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Huegen made the motion to adjourn at 8:31 PM. Athmer made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

Kurt Rickhoff, President

Lynette Huegen, Secretary