

Minutes of the Argos Community Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Held on September 21, 2020

The Board of School Trustees held a regular school board meeting on September 21, 2020. The following individuals were present for all or a part of the meeting.

A. Monty Peden, Jennifer Hurford, Chris O'Dell and Jennifer Porter,
Board Members.

B. Ned L. Speicher, Superintendent

C. Jennifer Lee, Director, Business Services

D. Patti Van Der Weele, Administrative Assistant

E. Ryan Humphrey, Staff

F. Peyton Heckaman, RTCtv4

G. Pat Rensberger, Mark Van Der Weele, Patrons

Board Member Absent: Angela Smith

Monty Peden called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. Speicher requested an additional item, Employee Appreciation Stipend, be added to the agenda.

No patron comments were heard.

Jennifer Porter made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2020 Regular Board meeting. Chris O'Dell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve all Personnel changes per the attached listing. Jennifer Hurford seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer Porter made a motion to approve the Teacher Appreciation Grant as shown in Policy 3220.01. After discussion Chris O'Dell made a motion to second and the motion passed 4-0.

Jennifer Hurford made the motion to approve payment to Administration equal to teacher appreciation awards for the 2019-2020 school year. It was noted that this is not paid from teacher appreciation grant funds. This motion was seconded by Jennifer Porter and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Speicher presented the Board with a request to approve the increase of adult/visitor lunch prices from \$3.25 to \$3.35. This request was made in order to be in compliance with food service guidelines. Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve with a second by Jennifer Hurford. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher asked the Board to approve the Seamless Summer Option Food Service. This program will allow all enrolled students to receive a free breakfast and lunch through the end of the calendar year or until government funds are exhausted. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve, seconded by Jennifer Porter. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher's Instructional Report reviewed school property and future considerations, an enrollment and school update and information regarding upcoming parent-teacher conferences. Monty Peden reminded the Board and those attending that the October board meeting will be held one week earlier on October 12, 2020 due to fall break.

Mr. Speicher presented to the Board for approval an employee appreciation stipend. If approved this stipend would be payable to all classified and certified employees in thanks for their dedication to Argos Community Schools and students during the COVID pandemic. Monty Peden made a motion to approve \$300 payable to each classified employee and \$500 payable to each certified employee on December 4, 2020. Jennifer Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Monty Peden recognized and thanked individuals and businesses for donations received per the attached listing. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve with a second by Chris O'Dell. The motion passed 4-0.

Jennifer Lee presented the Board with claims for the month of July totaling \$665,095.34. These claims included accounts payable and payroll. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve with a second from Jennifer Porter. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher presented the Financial Report to the Board.

Closing comments were heard and having no other items for discussion, Jennifer Porter made a motion to adjourn with a second by Chris O'Dell. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

ARGOS COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Monty Peden, President

Jennifer Hurford, Secretary

Chris O'Dell

Jennifer Porter

Board Approved Personnel Changes, September 21, 2020

A. Employment

1. Kimberly S. Snyder - Elementary Paraprofessional

Board Approved Donations, September 21, 2020

- A. Ginger & Brian Moore
- B. Gen-Tech Farm Seed
- C. Argos Public Library
- D. Jane Horvath, Barb Peden & Ellen Smith
- E. Ryan Calhoun
- F. Laura Jones