

Minutes of the Argos Community Schools  
Regular School Board Meeting  
Held on August 16, 2021

The Board of School Trustees held a regular school board meeting on August 16, 2021. The following individuals were present for all or a part of the meeting.

A. Angela Smith, Jennifer Hurford, Chris O'Dell, and Karra Duff,  
Board Members

B. Ned L. Speicher, Superintendent

C. Jennifer Lee, Director of Business Services

D. Amy Miller, Administrative Assistant

E. Monica Betz, Monty Peden, Frank and Brandy Gillespie, patrons

A public hearing was held prior to the start of the regular meeting for testimony from the public regarding negotiations and the teacher contracts. There was no public testimony so the hearing was closed.

Board President Angela Smith called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

There was no communication from patrons.

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Jennifer Hurford seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-0.

Jennifer Hurford made a motion to accept the approval of personnel changes, per the attached listing. Chris O'Dell seconded the motion and it was passed 4-0.

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve the Master Contract Schedule for Adoption. Karra Duff seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chris O'Dell moved to approve the purchase of a 24 Passenger School Bus with a purchase price of \$7,500. Jennifer Hurford seconded the motion and it was passed 4-0.

Mr. Speicher presented the Board with an enrollment update for the 2021-2022 school year. Enrollment is up substantially and count day is scheduled for September 15, 2021. The Board then heard an Opening of School Update and was presented with information on Safe Schools Helpline, an anonymous service available to our students and parents to help with life issues. In the Construction report, Mr. Speicher briefly explained that all demolition of the 410 Yearick St. property is complete and as soon as the weather cooperates, fill dirt will be spread and grass seed planted.

Angela Smith recognized and thanked individuals for donations received per the attached listing. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve the donations with Karra Duff seconding. The motion passed 4-0.

Jennifer Lee presented the Board with claims totaling \$211,867.46. Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve the claims with a second by Jennifer Hurford. The motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Speicher presented the Financial Report to the Board.

Having no other items for discussion, Jennifer Hurford made a motion to adjourn with a second by Chris O'Dell. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

ARGOS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

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Angela Smith, President

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Chris O'Dell, Vice President

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Jennifer Hurford, Secretary

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Patricia Rensberger

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Karra Duff

## Board Approved Personnel, August 16, 2021

### A. Employment

1. Rachel Rife- Middle School Reading
2. Ondraya Perez- Elementary Art/Sub Aide
3. Frances Leffert- Elementary Aide
4. Lindsay Shultz- Elementary Aide
5. Alyssa Thayer- Girls Softball Varsity Coach
6. Phil Dean- Girls Softball Varsity Assistant
7. Mallorie Jennings- Girls Softball Jr. High Coach
8. Robert Lyon- Cross Country Varsity Coach
9. Carissa Clifton- Cross Country Jr. High Coach
10. Shawn Ferguson- Weight Room Supervisor
11. Joseph Stone II- Weight Room Supervisor
12. Natalie Ott- Cafeteria
13. Robert Hines- Girls Middle School Basketball Coach

### B. Resignations

1. Michelle Schnitz- PreK Aide
2. Jennifer Thomas- 2nd Grade Teacher
3. Lorinda Clifton- Elementary Life Skills Aide

### C. Volunteer

1. Travis Tanner- Jr. High Boys Soccer
2. Angie Ferguson- Girls Volleyball Assistant Volunteer

## Board Approved Donations, August 16, 2021

- A. Argos Summer Kick Off Festival Parking (\$1,350)
- B. Argos Lions Fair Booth (\$900)