

Minutes of the Argos Community Schools  
Regular School Board Meeting  
Held on March 15, 2021

The Board of School Trustees held a regular school board meeting on March 15, 2021. The following individuals were present for all or a part of the meeting.

A. Angela Smith, Jennifer Hurford, Chris O'Dell, Pat Rensberger and Jennifer Porter, Board Members.

B. Ned L. Speicher, Superintendent

C. Patti Van Der Weele, Administrative Assistant

D. Amee Stone, Staff

Board President Angela Smith called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

There was no communication from patrons.

Jennifer Porter made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2021 Executive Session and Regular Board meeting. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

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

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve NEOLA Policies, Volume 33, No. 1 per the attached listing. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve NEOLA Administrative Guidelines, Volume 33, No. 1 per the attached listing. Jennifer Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve the use of school property for parking for the Argos Summer Kick-Off Festival to be held June 25-27, 2021 with the understanding that no parking may take place on any irrigated fields. After discussion, Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Speicher's Instructional report reviewed attendance and quarantine/isolation reports, ILEARN testing, the Erate bid award, and recovery services.

Mr. Speicher asked the Board to consider approval of a \$100 COVID incentive payable to employees who receive a full COVID vaccination. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve with a second by Pat Rensberger. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Speicher presented an outlook for expenditures using ESSERS II funds. After discussion, Jennifer Porter made a motion to approve with a second by Jennifer Hurford. The motion passed 5-0.

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve the 2021 Summer Teacher Academy with a second by Jennifer Hurford. The motion passed 5-0.

Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve summer school dates and summer hours for staff. Jennifer Porter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher presented information to the Board regarding the purchase of property located adjacent to the school at 410 Yearick Avenue. Information included the cost of purchase, condition of the property and the cost of demolition. After discussion Jennifer Porter made the motion to approve with a second by Chris O'Dell. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher presented the Board with claims totaling \$368,016.16. These claims included accounts payable and payroll. Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve the claims with a second by Jennifer Hurford. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Speicher presented the Financial Report to the Board and gave an overview of the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement of Indiana Counties Tax Refund Exchange and Compliance System.

Having no other items for discussion, Pat Rensberger made a motion to adjourn with a second by Jennifer Hurford. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 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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Jennifer Porter

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Patricia Rensberger

Board Approved Personnel, March 15, 2021

A. Employment

1. MariJean Wegert--Temporary Jr.-Sr. High English Teacher
2. Jennifer Lee - Spring Musical Accompanist

B. Retirement

1. Lori Overmyer - Elementary Teacher

C. Volunteer

1. Laura Bash - Spring Musical

- NEOLA Policies, Volume 33, No. 1
  - a. Policy 1220            Employment of Superintendent
  - b. Policy 2370.02        Flex Program
  - c. Policy 2700            Annual Performance Report
  - d. Policy 3220            Staff Evaluation
  - e. Policy 5130            Withdrawal From School
  - f. Policy 5610            Suspension & Expulsion of Students
  - g. Policy 5895            Student Employment
  - h. Policy 6114            Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds
  - i. Policy 8390            Animals on School Corporation Property
  - j. Policy 8400            School Safety
  - k. Policy 8405            Environmental Health & Safety Issues
  - l. Policy 8462            Child Abuse & Neglect
  - m. Policy 8600            Transportation
  - n. Policy 8800            Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies & Observances
  - o. Policy 9700            Relations With Special Interest Groups
- NEOLA Administrative Guidelines, Volume 33, No. 1
  - a. Guideline 5460        Graduation Requirements
  - b. Guideline 5895        Student Employment
  - c. Guideline 8462        Child Abuse or Neglect