

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

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

A. Angela Smith, Jennifer Hurford and Pat Rensberger, Board Members

B. Ned L. Speicher, Superintendent

C. Jennifer Lee, Business Manager

D. Amy Miller, Administrative Assistant

E. Greg Drennen, Architect

F. Kerry Johnson, Patron

Before the start of the regular meeting, Board President Angela Smith conducted a public hearing. The hearing was to discuss the Extension of the Current Superintendents Contract from January 1, 2022 to June 20, 2023. The hearing was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Kerry Johnson spoke during the public testimony portion of the meeting and expressed her support and appreciation for Mr. Speicher in his role as superintendent. Jenny Hurford moved to close the hearing with Pat Rensberger seconding and the motion was passed 3-0. The hearing was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Board President Angela Smith called the regular meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2021 Public Hearing and Regular Board Meetings. Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve the minutes with Jennifer Hurford seconding and the motion passed 3-0.

Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve all personnel changes per the attached listing. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Greg Drennen, a Senior Associate Architect with LWC Incorporated, an architecture and design firm based out of Richmond, IN presented the board with updated renderings of the proposed construction and remodeling projects taking place at ACS. He asked the board to consider signing a Master Agreement with his firm so we can begin the preliminary site work/surveying needing to be done before bidding and construction take place. Jenny Hurford made a motion to approve the AIA Document with LWC Incorporated for Design and Engineering Services. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mr. Speicher presented the Board with a request to approve a Classified Staff Appreciation Grant of \$400.00. Pat Rensberger motioned to approve with Jenny Hurford seconding and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher presented the monthly financial report, end of year financial projections and a financial analysis before asking the Board to approve a transfer of up to \$250,000 from the Operations Fund to the Rainy Day Fund from the 2021 Budget. Jenny Hurford made a motion to approve. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and it was passed 3-0. Immediately following, Mr. Speicher asked the Board to approve an up to \$200,00 Transfer from the Educational Fund to the Rainy Day Fund from the 2021 Budget. Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve this with Jenny Hurford seconding and it also passed 3-0.

Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve NEOLA policy 2266 (Non-Discrimination). Jenny Hurford seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher asked the Board for approval of the On-Line Surplus Equipment Auction scheduled to run from November 16-23. Jenny Hurford made a motion to approve with Pat Rensberger seconding. The motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Speicher asked the Board for approval to purchase an IC/Collins School Bus. Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve. Jenny Hurford seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Superintendent Speicher presented the Board with his Instructional Report where he touched on the attendance/COVID reporting and numbers, and planned upgrades for the child-care facility.

A motion was made by Pat Rensberger to approve the donation of a ping pong table to the Jr.-Sr. High and it was seconded by Jennifer Hurford. It was approved 3-0.

Jennifer Lee asked for approval for claims in the amount of \$681,170.60. Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve with Jenny Hurford seconding and the motion was approved 3-0.

Having no other items for discussion, Jennifer Hurford made a motion to adjourn with a second by Pat Rensberger. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

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Jennifer Hurford, Secretary

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Board Approved Personnel, November 15, 2021

A. Employment

1. Adam Calhoun- Substitute/Bus Driver/Study Hall
2. Megan Huys- Corporation Testing Coordinator
3. Nichole Barden- Corporation ELL Coordinator
4. Ryan Humphrey- Foreign Exchange Student Coordinator
5. Ashli Prochno- 5th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
6. Raquel Teutle- Color Guard Coach
7. Karrah Walter- Elementary Paraprofessional
8. Summer Lagenour- Elementary Paraprofessional

B. Resignations

1. Teri Weiser- High School Paraprofessional, effective December 21, 2021
2. Amanda Davis- 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
3. Ginger Moore- Girls Varsity Volleyball Coach

C. Retirement

1. Rebecca Vamos- Title 1 Director, effective January 1, 2022

D. Volunteer

1. Karin Conklin- Cheerleading Assistant

E.. Transfer

1. Samantha Stone- Elementary Full Time Substitute