

Minutes of the Argos Community Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Held on February 14, 2022

The Board of School Trustees held a regular school board meeting on February 14, 2022. The following individuals were present for all or a part of the meeting.

- A. Angela Smith, Jennifer Hurford, Chris O'Dell, Pat Rensberger and Karra Duff, Board Members.
- B. Ned L. Speicher, Superintendent
- C. Jennifer Lee, Business Manager
- C. Amy Miller, Administrative Assistant
- D. Kerry Johnson, Kelli VanDerWeele, Statia Scaife, John Fishburn, Staff
- E. Monty Peden, Patron
- F. Greg Drennen-Architect with LWC Incorporated.

Board President Angela Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 January 10, 2022 Regular Board meeting and Board of Finance meeting. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-0. Board Member Jennifer Hurford abstained from the vote, due to not being present at last month's meeting.

Staff Members Kelli VanDerWeele, Statia Scaife, John Fishburn and Kerry Johnson all spoke about their experiences at the FETC conference which was held January 26-29 in Orlando, Florida. Each of them were able to bring back valuable information to share with colleagues regarding a wide variety of topics, including technology and leadership.

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

Chris O'Dell made a motion to approve contract and/or compensation rates for Administrators, Directors and leadership team positions. These rates would be for these employees with effective and highly effective performance evaluations and return next year as employees of Argos Community Schools. Jennifer Hurford seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0.

Mr. Speicher presented the Board with the 2022-2023 Educational Materials Fees. There will be no change from the current fees charged. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve with a second by Pat Rensberger. The motion was passed 5-0.

The Board received 9 policies to review from NEOLA Policies and Guidelines, Volume 33, No. 1 for the first reading. The second reading and approval will be at the March 14, 2022 meeting.

Mr. Speicher presented his Instructional Report. He touched on the decrease in COVID numbers we are experiencing, as well as announcing that Preschool and Kindergarten Roundup is scheduled for March 8th. The new playground equipment has arrived and we are anticipating that it will be installed once the weather breaks. The FEMA grant has concluded and we have received compensation for monies spent on PPE, signage and sanitizer. The Small and Rural Schools (SRSA) Grant has also been approved. This money will possibly be used to purchase a new K-8 math program.

Jennifer Lee presented the Board with claims totaling \$881,236.50. These claims included accounts payable and payroll. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve the claims with a second by Pat Rensberger. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Speicher asked the Board to approve the January 2022 invoice from LWC Incorporated for their ongoing work on the proposed Jr.-Sr. High School Renovations. Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve payment of the invoice with Karra Duff seconding and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Speicher asked the Board for approval of purchase of a used pickup truck and snow blade from Mark McIntire. With this purchase, the school will be able to keep all parking lots clear if we should have accumulating snow. Karra Duff moved to accept the purchase with Chris O'Dell seconding and the motion was passed 5-0.

Mr. Speicher also asked the Board for approval of an Online Auction of the school's used pickup truck. The truck was purchased by S&H Leasing, LLC with a high bid of \$3,951.00.

The Financial Report was presented, once again highlighting the strong, sound financial standing of Argos Community Schools.

Having no other items for discussion, Pat Rensberger made a motion to adjourn with a second by Karra Duff. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

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BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Angela Smith, President

Chris O'Dell, Vice President

Jennifer Hurford, Secretary

Patricia Rensberger

Karra Duff

Board Approved Personnel, February 14, 2022

A. Employment

- 1, Kyle Kunce- High School MOMH Instructional Assistant

B. Resignation

1. Travis Tanner- Assistant Maintenance Manager
2. Adam Calhoun- High School Study Hall Monitor