

Minutes of the Argos Community Schools  
Special School Board Meeting  
Held on November 7, 2022

The Board of School Trustees held a special school board meeting on November 7, 2022. 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. Kelli VanDerWeele, Business Manager
- D. Amy Miller, Administrative Assistant
- E. Greg Drennen, LWC Architect

School Board members Chris O'Dell and Karra Duff were absent from the meeting.

Board President Angela Smith called the special meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. There was no communication from patrons.

Greg Drennen reviewed the bids that were received for Project 2 earlier in the week. There were 5 bids submitted, with one coming late. The lowest and best bid came from Brown and Brown Construction out of Wakarusa, IN. In general, all the bids received were under budget and will allow the school to take alternates for the band room renovation, auditorium carpet and stage floor and carpet/paint for the junior high corridor. Mr. Drennen is very comfortable with Brown and Brown as the general contractor and they have a very good reputation with surrounding schools on projects they have done in the past. Jennifer Hurford made a motion to approve Brown and Brown as the best and lowest bid for Construction Project 2. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and the motion was approved 3-0.

Pat Rensberger made a motion to approve Option 1 on the Plan to Address Employee Appreciation Compensation for 2022. Option 1 includes the already implemented bus driver stipend, a separate stipend to both the classified and certified staff and the hiring of 3 additional teachers in 2023 that would work with students on catch-up growth. Jennifer Hurford seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Mr. Speicher asked for approval of the Administrative Assistants Salary Adjustments to Address Position Responsibilities. He explained that with the change in the Business Office,

there has been a realignment of duties and the administrative assistants throughout the building have picked up an increased workload and new responsibilities. Jennifer Hurford moved to approve the adjustments. Pat Rensberger seconded the motion and it was approved 3-0.

In the closing comments, Mr. Speicher presented the Board with a picture of the pipe running under the cafeteria. This pipe will need to be replaced due to age. Core Mechanical will be doing the work. He will share numbers and info with the Board when they are available.

Having no other items for discussion, Pat Rensberger made a motion to adjourn with a second by Jenny Hurford. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Angela Smith, President

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Jennifer Hurford, Secretary

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Patricia Rensberger