

ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SEPTEMBER 24, 2025
BUDGET HEARING, 6:45 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Athmer called the budget hearing to order at 6:48 PM. Roll call shows Athmer, present; Deimeke, present; Henry, present; Hilmes, present; Lucas, absent; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, absent.

VISITORS

Kristie Weh and Susan Scott were present. Superintendent Mike Toebe and Bookkeeper Janel Zurliene were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Hilmes made the motion to approve the agenda. Henry made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

BUDGET HEARING

The budget was reviewed.

ADJOURNMENT

Henry made the motion to adjourn at 6:59 PM. Deimeke made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

REGULAR MEETING, 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Wuebbels called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call shows Athmer, present; Deimeke, present; Henry, present; Hilmes, present; Lucas, absent; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, present. Everyone in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

Kristie Weh and Susan Scott were present. Superintendent Mike Toebe and Bookkeeper Janel Zurliene were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Athmer made the motion to approve the agenda. Henry made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

BOOSTER CLUB

- The current playground is being removed. The construction is underway.
- Dairy King hosted a fundraiser for the Booster Club the week of August 25 – 29, 2025. The Booster Club received \$1,200.00.
- McTeacher Night was held at the New Baden McDonald's. The Booster Club received \$736.00.
- There will be Dine-Out events at Pete's, El Indio, Knotty Pin and Joe's Pizza during the next few months.
- Volunteers are needed in the concession stands at home basketball games. There is a Sign-up Genius page for volunteers to schedule a date.
- The next meeting is October 7, 2025.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ASSIGNMENTS

The new assignments will be discussed when the full board is in attendance.

TEACHER REPORTS

The students enjoyed participating in the Mental Health Awareness Week activities. Over \$500.00 was raised for the Swing for Sydney Foundation.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Athmer made the motion to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2025, regular meeting; approve and seal the executive session minutes from August 27, 2025; approve the financial report; and approve the bills for \$ 106,346.13. Henry made the second motion. Roll call shows Henry, aye; Hilmes, aye; Lucas, absent; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye.

OLD BUSINESS

- 2023-2024 MAINTENANCE GRANT, OFFICE – The window replacement is Janel's office is the last item on the project. The last payment was made the Millennium Construction.
- 2025 MAINTENANCE GRANT, DOORS – The final payment was made the WCCS, Inc. Kickplates were suggested. Dr. Toebe will get an estimate.
- EGYPTIAN TRUST – We are no longer permitted to be members as we do not have anyone purchasing the health insurance. Dr. Toebe is researching, with other Superintendents, a healthinsurance co-op for the Clinton County Schools.
- IASB CONVENTION – Information was reviewed about the November 2025 convention in Chicago. Any board member interested in attending should contact Dr. Toebe.
- APPOINT COMMITTEE MEMBERS – This item was tabled to discuss when all members are present.
- PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT – The installation has started. There is a goal to have it completed by October 1, 2025. This item was tabled.
- COACHING VOLUNTEERS – Athmer made the motion to approve Janet Rolves as a volunteer GBB coach. Hilmes made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor. All other positions were tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

- MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – Athmer made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the health insurance provider as listed in the IEA/NEA Contract. Deimeke made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor. It should be noted that Dr. Toebe will continue to work with area Superintendents to possibly create a local group for health insurance purchases using a group rate.
- 2024-2025 AUDIT – The school has 514 days of cash on hand and the estimated score is 3.65, recognition level. Zurliene was thanked for her work preparing and completing the audit. Henry made the motion to approve the audit prepared by Glass & Shuffett. Athmer made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- BUDGET – Athmer made the motion to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented. Henry made the second motion. Roll call shows Hilmes, aye; Lucas, absent; Norrenberns, absent; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Deimeke, aye; Henry, aye.
- ADM & TEACHER SALARY REPORT – Athmer made the motion to approve the report. Deimeke made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- NOVEMBER MEETING DATE – Athmer made the motion to move the November meeting to November 25, 2025 at 5:00 PM. Henry made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- DECEMBER MEETING DATE – Athmer made the motion to move the December meeting to December 17, 2025 at 7:00 PM. Henry made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- HOLIDAY PARTY – The annual Holiday party will be December 5, 2025 at the Albers Jaycee Building.
- STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE – The goals were reviewed. Items were completed and noted. The next meeting will be in November 2026.
- TAX LEVY – The past rates were reviewed. This item was tabled.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. Toebe shared that the staff desktop computers will need to be replaced within the next year. The estimate from Night Time Computers is approximately \$850.00 per computer.
- The baseball and softball teams are competing in Regionals this week. The 5th & 6th grade girls basketball team have their first home game next week.
- The Art Club will be taking a field trip to a retired art teacher's home on September 25, 2025 under the supervision of Mrs. Kelly Mungai.
- It was noted that Mrs. Tracy Schulte will be completing her degree and may be leaving at the end of the school year. A replacement should work with her before her departure.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There is nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Athmer made a motion to exit the regular session at 8:01 PM. Deimeke made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

Marshall Lucas, President

Courtney Athmer, Secretary