

**ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2015**

President Rickhoff called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call shows: Broeckling, present; Kloeckner, present; Lucas, present; Rickhoff, present; Santel, absent; Schroeder, absent; Toennies, present. Everyone in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

Visitors present at the meeting include: Chyrisse Horstmann and Penny Angeli representing the Albers staff. Recording Secretary Janel Zurliene and Superintendent Mike Toeben were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Toennies made the motion to approve the agenda. Kloeckner made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

BOOSTER CLUB

McTeacher night is scheduled for October 6 at the New Baden McDonald's. Spirit wear order sheets will be sent out soon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- SIP – There was a meeting in August that Mr. Toeben and Crissy Toennies attended. Another meeting is required before December 1, 2015.
- BUILDING & GROUNDS – They are monitoring a water stain on the corner of the gym ceiling. Information was shared about the air conditioning units and possibly using the maintenance grant, if permitted, for replacements.
- PARENT ADVISORY BOARD – There is nothing at this time.
- TECHNOLOGY – The tablets have been modified to making logging on easier for the students. Another meeting will be held in October. Each 7th & 8th grade student received a thumb drive to use for school projects.
- BULLYING – There is nothing at this time.
- SPORTS CO-OP/FRIENDS OF THE COUGARS – There is nothing at this time.
- SAFETY – There is nothing at this time.
- CAT TEAM – There is nothing at this time.

TEACHER REPORTS

- There is nothing at this time.

AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

Broeckling made the motion to approve the consent items on the agenda. Toennies made the second motion. Roll call shows: Lucas, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Santel, absent; Schroeder, aye; Toennies, aye; Broeckling, aye; Kloeckner, aye. Total for the bills \$20,275.11. Minutes were approved with the executive session remaining sealed; financial report; bills; Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits report.

OLD BUSINESS

- MAINTENANCE GRANT – Kohnen provided an estimate on air conditioner replacements. Lucas made the motion to have Lunsford Architects put specifics together to amend the grant for AC improvements. Kloeckner made the second motion. Voice votes shows all present in favor.
- TECHNOLOGY – WIFI working well. Infrastructure upgrades working well. The tablets are working better due to the modifications. Some desktops are have issues and may need to be replaced soon.
- POLICY REVISION / PRESS UPDATES – The first reading was held.
- CHARTER SERVICES – Rickhoff and Lucas have been researching fiber optic options for internet services through Charter. No action was taken at this time.
- BUDGET – Toennies made the motion to approve the 2015-2016 budget as presented. Broeckling made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Rickhoff, aye; Santel, absent; Schroeder, aye; Toennies, aye; Broeckling, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Lucas, aye.
- PARKING LOT LEASE – Rickhoff will attend the Parish Council meeting on October 6, 2015 to discuss the rate.
- LUNCHESES – The required guidelines are being used with variation as the guidelines allow. We are contacting another supplier for additional options. Several new items were added to the October menu and new recipes that will follow the Federal guidelines are being researched.
- EMPLOYMENT – Employment was tabled. Volleyball coaching positions will be advertised.

NEW BUSINESS

- AUDIT – Glass & Shuffett has delivered the annual audit. We are in the Recognition status based on the State of Illinois accounting practices. Broeckling made the motion to approve the audit. Kloeckner made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- IASB KASKASKIA DIVISION FALL MEETING – Information was distributed regarding the meeting on October 27, 2015. Contact Mr. Toeben if you would like to attend.
- RESIGNATION – This item was tabled for executive session.
- PRESCHOOL TUITION – Lucas made the motion to approve a tuition waiver for Free & Reduced lunch eligible students for Preschool. Kloeckner made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Schroeder, aye; Toennies, aye; Broeckling, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Lucas, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Santel, absent.
- RETIREMENT – The board approved the letter of retirement from Rebecca Campbell. The retirement date is effective at the end of the 2017 school year. Kloeckner made the first motion. Broeckling made the second motion. Voice votes shows all present in favor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Toeben shared information regarding the items on the agenda.

- The school is eligible for a revolving technology loan of up to \$ 53,000 for 3 years.
- There is a bill in the Senate requesting a tax cap for two years on all real estate taxes.
- Rich Albers will be the substitute custodian while Ken Wellen is on vacation.
- The 6th grade girl's basketball team did well at the Germantown tourney.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Broeckling made the motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel at 8:24 PM. Kloeckner made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor, Santel, absent.

A motion to exit Executive session was made by Toennies at 8:42 PM, seconded by Broeckling. Roll call vote shows all present in favor. Kloeckner made the motion to accept the resignation of Dodye Blanco, seconded by Broeckling. Roll call vote shows all present in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Toennies made the motion to adjourn at 8:43 PM. Broeckling made the second motion. Roll call vote shows all present in favor.

Kurt Rickhoff, President

Stacy Schroeder, Secretary