

**ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2013**

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

VISITORS

Visitors present at the meeting include: Jennifer Moder, Luke Davis and Evan Bosah of McKendree University, Rachel Beckemeyer and Becky Yager. Superintendent Humes and Recording Secretary Janel Zurliene were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

BOOSTER CLUB

- A Ham Raffle, 5K Run/Walk are fundraisers that the Booster Club will be holding this year. The Trivia Night went well. Eighteen teams participated. Stacey Schroeder submitted over 6,000 Box Tops for payment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- SIP – November 6, 2013 meeting. Math books, technology and PARC assessments were discussed.
- BUILDING & GROUNDS – There is nothing at this time.
- PARENT ADVISORY BOARD – There is nothing at this time.
- TECHNOLOGY – The wireless internet is working and is password protected. Currently, Mrs. Becker and Mrs. Yager are using it with their devices. Computer and smartboard replacements were discussed as many are having some problems. A form was created to track technology requests for repairs.
- HANDBOOK – There is nothing at this time.
- SAFETY – There is nothing at this time.
- BULLYING – There is nothing at this time.

TEACHER REPORTS

- Family reading night in December 4 and the Book Fair will be December 2 through December 6, 2013.

MINUTES

Toennies made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2013 regular meeting. Santel made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Santel made the motion to approve the financial report. Kloeckner made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

BILLS

Santel made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$77,641.06. Schroeder made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Kennedy, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Santel, aye; Schroeder, aye; Toennies, aye; Broeckling, absent.

OLD BUSINESS

- BOARD SELF EVALUATION / TRAINING – Breese Central is hosting a workshop on February 1, 2014 for required board training. Kennedy, Toennies, Santel, Kloeckner and Schroeder agreed to attend.
- DISTRICT HOLIDAY PARTY – Meyer Catering will provide the meal. All other details will be completed by various board members.
- TEACHING VACANCY, MUSIC, BAND & CHORUS – Several questions were presented regarding the increase of days from 2.5 to 4.0 as well as the need of two staff members when Mr. Rutter was doing the entire job on his own. This item was tabled for executive session. Four candidates were interviewed last week.
- 2012-2013 IL SCHOOL REPORT CARD – The second reading of the Illinois School Report Card for the district was reviewed. Toennies made the motion to approve the Report Card as presented. Santel made the second motion. Voice vote shows all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

- POLICY READINGS – The PRESS Policy updates were distributed and reviewed. This is the first reading.
- NEW BOARD POLICY – The first reading was held for the Staff Fraternalization policy. The new policy was distributed among the board members and Mr. Humes.
- TAX LEVY – Mr. Humes shared his projections on the tax levy. Due to the amount being less than 5%, a hearing is not required.
- SCHOOL SEARCH AWARD – The school was awarded the School Search 2013 Bright A+ Award for academic excellence.
- ROE13 ANNUAL BOARD DINNER – Mr. Humes shared information on the dinner meeting to be held on February 3, 2014 at the KC Lifelong Learning Center. Members were asked to notify him if they wish to attend.
- PSIC RISK CONTROL REPORT – The report was a review of the insurance policy recommendations for improved safety.
- EMPLOYEE SICK TIME – This item was tabled for executive session.
- MAINTENANCE GRANT – The State of Illinois is offering additional grants for maintenance projects. Mr. King presented information to Mr. Humes about refinancing the bonds to finance a large project such as the boiler replacement. Mr. Humes was instructed to apply for the grant but we can decline if the board chooses to not participate.

- GYM USE – The board approved use of the gym by the Clinton County Crush volleyball team with the paperwork being performed by residents Kerry and Peggy Fehrmann. Wither Kerry or Peggy must be present during the events as they are the responsible persons for the facility as noted in the rules and regulations.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Humes shared information regarding items on the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to enter Executive Session was made by Toennies at 8:52 PM to discuss personnel. Kloeckner seconded the motion. Roll call vote shows all present in favor. Attendance shows Broeckling, absent ; Kennedy, present; Rickhoff, present; Kloeckner, present; Santel, present; Schroeder, present; Toennies, present. Superintendent Jeff Humes was present.

A motion to exit Executive Session was made by Toennies at 9:12 PM, seconded by Kloeckner. Roll call vote shows all present in favor. A motion was made by Toennies to hire Kesterson part time for band for the 2013/2014 school year and to hire Nelson part time for music for the 2013/2014 school year. Seconded by Kloeckner. Roll call vote: Broeckling, absent; Kennedy, aye; Rickhoff, aye; Kloeckner, aye; Santel, aye; Schroeder, aye; Toennies, aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Toennies made the motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m. Santel made the second motion. Voice vote shows all in favor.

Tom Broeckling, President

Stacy Schroeder, Secretary