

**ALBERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #63**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**MARCH 22, 2023**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

Roll call shows: Athmer, present; Boeckmann, present 7:00 PM; Huegen, present; Jung, present; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, present; Wuebbels, present. Everyone in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

Tiffany Zurliene, Theresa Eilers and Kelly Mungai were present. Recording Secretary Janel Zurliene and Superintendent Mike Toebe were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Athmer made the motion to approve the agenda with the additions of PRESS policies and May meeting date to new business. Boeckmann made the second motion. Voice votes show all present in favor.

BOOSTER CLUB

- The next meeting is March 21, 2023.
- Field day is scheduled for May 24, 2023.
- There is one more SCRIP order being placed for the year.
- There is an option of adding birthday greeting to the marquee for a \$10 donation.
- Dairy King is hosting a week of fundraising May 8-12, 2023 with a coupon presented with the purchase.
- Bids for a new laminator are being collected.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ASSIGNMENTS

- BUILDING & GROUNDS, Winterbottom, Boeckmann, Jung – The bathroom sinks need to be replaced. Parts are unavailable. An estimate of \$10,000.00 was received. They are original to the building – 1968. The evaporator coil in the kitchen cooler is no longer working and needed to be replaced.
- TECHNOLOGY, Athmer and Wuebbels – There is nothing at this time.
- SPORTS CO-OP/FRIENDS OF THE COUGARS, Richter, Boeckmann – There is nothing at this time.
- SAFETY – There is nothing at this time.
- CAT TEAM – There is nothing at this time.
- FINANCE – Huegen, Wuebbels, Boeckmann – There is nothing at this time.
- KASKASKIA COLLEGE COMMITTEE – Huegen, Richter, Athmer – There is nothing at this time.
- SIP – There is nothing at this time.
- PARENT ADVISORY BOARD – There is nothing at this time.
- BULLYING – There is nothing at this time.

TEACHER REPORTS

- IAR testing will be conducted in March.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Athmer made the motion to approve the minutes from February 23, 2023, regular meeting; seal executive session minutes; approve the financial report; approve the bills in the amount of \$ 52,652.97. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.

OLD BUSINESS

- ASBESTOS/BOILER REMOVAL – The project is complete. The bill from Engelmann Construction has not been received yet.
- 2023 MAINTENANCE GRANT – The application was approved by the ISBE. Bids were opened on March 16, 2023. Only one bid was received. D7 Contracting presented a bid. Boeckmann made the motion to accept the alternate bid #1 in the amount of \$ 139, 500.00 for a 30-year roof. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Boeckmann, aye.
- TRANSPORTATION AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES - This item was tabled. Mr. Toebe has been in contact with Southern Illinois Bus and Mobility regarding used vans and buses.
- COUNTY FACILITIES TAX – Mr. Toebe shared information about a future ballot item. There is a committee that will be holding information meetings to share with residents. An information meeting will be held at school. There will be an informational meeting on March 23, 2023, at 6:00 PM.
- UTILITIES, SOLAR – This item was tabled for more information.
- 2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR – Athmer made the motion to approve the amended calendar. Boeckmann made the second motion. Voice votes show all present in favor.
- 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR – Wuebbels made the motion to approve the 2023-2024 calendar as presented. Jung made the second motion. Voice votes show all present in favor.

- SCHOOL FEES, 2023-2024 – The local rates were reviewed. This item was tabled.
- GRADUATION DATE – The date was set for May 18, 2023.
- 2023-2024 EMPLOYMENT – The position for Special Education is advertised on the ROE site and the IASA Job Bank. This item was tabled.
- SUMMER POSITIONS – This item was tabled. There are four applicants at this time.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- 2023-2024 TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT – Athmer made the motion to approve the contract with Zurliene Bus Service with an increase of \$2,420.00 from this school year. Boeckmann made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye.
- GLASS & SHUFFETT PROPOSAL – Wuebbels made the motion not to exceed \$6,000.00. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call vote shows: Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent.
- MATERNITY LEAVE – Jung made the motion to approve maternity leave for Tiffany Gravitt. Winterbottom made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- RESIGNATION – Winterbottom made the motion to accept the letter of resignation from Casey Thole, teacher, and coach. Boeckmann made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- EMPLOYMENT – Jung made the motion to post the JH Language Arts position. Athmer made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.
- SENIORITY LIST – The list was reviewed.
- SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION – This item was tabled. Athmer will email information to board members.
- 2023-2024 EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire all tenured teachers – Weh, Wellen, Beckemeyer, Bretz, Kampwerth, Zurliene and grant tenure to Scott. Jung made the second motion. Roll call shows: Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.
- 2023-2024 EMPLOYMENT – Athmer made the motion to re-hire Kyle Peters, Julia Ritter Kelly Mungai, Becky Groennert. Jung made the second motion. Roll call shows: Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.
- 2023-2024 EMPLOYMENT - Athmer made the motion to not re-hire part-time sub, John Nadler and post the band and music position. Jung made the second motion. Roll call shows: Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.
- 2023-2024 EMPLOYMENT - Athmer made the motion to re-hire Paraprofessionals: Theresa Eilers, Andra Goestenkors, Rochelle Halstead, Amanda Swink, Tiffany Gravitt; Kitchen staff: Tracy Schulte, Peggy Fehrmann; Custodial staff: Craig Etter, Brad Huegen; Office and Tech Coordinator, Chris Huegen; Bookkeeper and Sub Coordinator Janel Zurliene. Jung made the second motion. Roll call shows: Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.
- PRESS POLICY – The first reading was held.
- MAY MEETING DATE: Athmer made the motion to move the May meeting date to May 17, 2023. Winterbottom made the second motion. Voice vote shows all present in favor.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Board of Education election will be in April 2023. Brenda Richter, Brian Winterbottom, and Courtney Athmer's terms are complete as of April 2023.
- Statement of Economic Interests paperwork has been emailed to each board member.
- The State is offering portable air purifiers. The school should receive 8 and 2 years' worth of filets at no cost.
- The school is looking at a new Social Studies curriculum for Grades k-4.
- Information was shared regarding a bill in the Senate regarding the amount of money a school can have "Cash on Hand".

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jung made a motion to enter into the executive session at 7:28 PM. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call shows: Athmer, present; Boeckmann, present; Huegen, present; Jung, present; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, present; Wuebbels, present. Mr. Toeben was also present.

Jung made a motion to exit the executive session at 7:40 PM. Wuebbels made the second motion. Roll call shows: Boeckmann, aye; Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye.

Athmer made a motion to enter into the executive session at 8:19 PM. Winterbottom made the second motion. Roll call shows: Athmer, present; Boeckmann, present; Huegen, present; Jung, present; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, present; Wuebbels, present. Mr. Toeben, Mrs. Tiffany Zurliene, and Mr. Henry were also present.

Athmer made a motion to exit the executive session at 8:50 PM. Boeckmann made the second motion. All in favor.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Jung made a motion to adjourn at 8:52 PM. Athmer made the second motion. Roll call shows: Huegen, aye; Jung, aye; Richter, absent; Winterbottom, aye; Wuebbels, aye; Athmer, aye; Boeckmann, aye.