

ALLAMAKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014 – HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY  
5:30 P.M.

I. Roll

Board Members: Tom Baxter, Patty Fosaaen, Scott Melcher and Allan Rissman;  
Board Member Tim Waters was absent.

Staff Members - Shawn Gordon, Joe Griffith, Dan Diercks, Ann Hart, Randy Nordheim, Linda Groe, Julie Magner, Jennifer Garin, Dennis Mahr, Cheryl Adam, Michele Pladsen, Jed Hemann, Joan Schwartz, Barb Winters, Julie Connor, Marcia Hesse, Kelly Liddiard, John O'Neill, Jessica O'Connor, Janice Rea, Board Secretary and Dave Herold, Superintendent;

Visitors – Charles Hammel, Dave Davies, Sam Schwartz, Carter Clark, Sully Bucheit, Hunter Hammel, Bills Johns, Landon Sivesind, Drake Jensen, Mary Melcher, Parker Hesse, Kelsey Cota, Alie Schwartz, Emily Opfer, Melissa Hammel, Justyn Herman and Marcus Weymiller.

Reporter – Brianne Ehlers.

Allan L. Rissman, Board President, called the meeting to order.

II. Agenda

Motion by Melcher seconded by Fosaaen to adopt the revised agenda as presented. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

III. Minutes

Motion by Fosaaen seconded by Baxter to approve the minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 (changed to Tuesday due to snowstorm) as presented. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

IV. Bills

Motion by Baxter seconded by Fosaaen to approve the bills for payment. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

V. Reports

-Dave Herold, Superintendent, reported on current bills in the legislation affecting schools including radon testing and bullying. He also said that allowable growth has not been set yet for FY16 even though the legislature is in violation of its own law. He then discussed Operational Sharing and said the last day of school for students as of today is June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

-Ann Hart, East and West Elementary Principal, reported on the Project Seal Program and that staff have been reviewing the Iowa Assessment Tests results.

-Joe Griffith, Waterville Elementary/Junior High School Principal, reported on the great play performance put on by the junior high students, the honor roll assembly, junior high track will be starting soon and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students at Waterville and East attended Street Beats: Dancing Across the Decades! at Luther and then the matinee of the junior high play.

-Jen Garin, Assistant High School Principal/Activities Director, reported track has begun and they will have their first indoor meet on Saturday at Luther, golf has started, an additional grant has been applied for Project Lead the Way, 27 FFA students will be attending the State Convention with 13 students competing in various contests and three FFA students will be receiving academic achievement awards and 72 students will be attending the FBLA Leadership Conference.

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-Dan Diercks, High School Principal, reported on the following: the great performance of the Cats Pajamas, the great Pops Concert, that parent teachers conferences are being held this week, that Senator Grassley was at the school this morning to speak to and answer questions of the students at the assembly and the Academic Awards and National Honor Society induction ceremonies were held. He noted overall 41% of the 9-12 students received academic awards and 23 new students were inducted into the National Honor Society.

-Dennis Mahr, Buildings and Grounds Director, reported on the asbestos re-inspection, that two of the three uni-vents have been installed in the junior high/senior high building and the lights for East have been received with installation to begin this week.

-Shawn Gordon, Technology Director, reported all 7-12 computers have been sent in and are being returned. Shawn also mentioned he would be attending the ITEC Conference in Ames on Wednesday and Thursday.

-Julie Magner, Food Service Director, reported lettuce, radishes and spinach has been harvested from the garden in the greenhouse and next week pork bought locally will be served in the lunch line.

-Randy Nordheim, Transportation Director, reported he had to junk the short bus today because of its declining state. He also said the repeater was moved to the Ag Services tower.

Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to approve the Secretary's Financial Report, Activity Fund Report, School Lunch Report, Superintendent's Report, Principal's Report, Technology Report, Buildings and Grounds, Food Service Report and Transportation Report as presented. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

## VI. Communications

### A. Information

Allan Rissman, Board President, congratulated Mr. Herold on being honored as the "Person of the Year" in Waukon.

#### 1. Junior High Technology presentation.

Michele Pladsen, Junior High Math teacher, presented information on the concept of the Flipped Classroom, explained the Camtasia software and showed examples of how teaching assignments are used via the software. She explained advantages and disadvantages but noted the advantages outweigh any disadvantage.

### B. Visitors

Allan L. Rissman, Board President, welcomed the visitors and asked if there was anything anyone wished to comment on the agenda. No comments were made.

## VII. Old Business - None

## VIII. New Business

### A. Personnel: (All staff recommended for hiring is pending a background check.)

#### 1. Recommendation to hire staff for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Program.

Motion by Melcher seconded by Fosaaen to hire staff for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Program. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

#### 2. Recommendation to accept the resignations for high school cheerleader sponsors.

a. Peyton Wacker b. Ciara Mahr c. Lisa Snitker

Motion by Baxter seconded by Melcher to accept the resignations of Peyton Wacker, Ciara Mahr and Lisa Snitker from their high school cheerleader sponsor positions. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

#### 3. Recommendation to approve hiring Toni Pearson as a 5.75 hour per day high school special education associate. (\$10.01)

Motion by Baxter seconded by Fosaaen to approve hiring Toni Pearson as a 5.75 hour per day high school special education associate. (\$10.01) The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

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4. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Jerry Keenan from his 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement.  
Motion by Fosaaen seconded by Melcher to accept the resignation of Jerry Keenan from his 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
  5. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Aaron Roemhild from his teaching and coaching duties, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.  
Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to accept the resignation of Aaron Roemhild from his teaching and coaching duties, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
  6. Recommendation to hire Kelly Delaney as Technology Assistant. (\$12.00)  
Motion by Fosaaen seconded by Melcher to hire Kelly Delaney as Technology Assistant. (\$12.00) The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
  7. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Amy Wasson from her head 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls' track coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement.  
Motion by Baxter seconded by Melcher to accept the resignation of Amy Wasson from her head 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls' track coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
  8. Recommendation to re-hire Blaine Snitker as 9<sup>th</sup> grade baseball coach. (\$2,235 subject to change when actual starting date is determined.)  
Motion by Baxter seconded by Fosaaen to re-hire Blaine Snitker as 9<sup>th</sup> grade baseball coach. (\$2,235 subject to change when actual starting date is determined.) The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
  9. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Gene Klinge as head girls' basketball coach.  
Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to accept the resignation of Gene Klinge from head girls' basketball coaching position. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- B. Recommendation to approve the cooperative swimming with Decorah.  
Motion by Fosaaen seconded by Melcher to approve the cooperative swimming with Decorah. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- C. Recommendation to approve an out of state field trip for East and Waterville 5<sup>th</sup> graders to Prairie du Chien.  
Motion by Baxter seconded by Fosaaen to approve an out of state field trip for East and Waterville 5<sup>th</sup> graders to Prairie du Chien. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- D. Recommendation to approve a Post Prom fundraiser.  
Motion by Fosaaen seconded by Melcher to approve a Post Prom fundraiser. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- E. Recommendation to approve Tower Lease Agreement with Ag Services.  
Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to approve the Tower Lease Agreement with Ag Services. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried. The lease is \$2,100 per year.
- F. Recommendation to approve Summer Feeding Program.  
Motion by Baxter seconded by Melcher to approve the Summer Feeding Program. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- G. Recommendation to approve an out of state field trip for Industrial Tech. students to Prairie du Chien.  
Motion by Fosaaen seconded by Melcher to approve an out of state field trip for Industrial Tech. students to Prairie du Chien. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

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- H. Recommendation to approve the following budget levies for 2014-2015 for Proposed Budget: Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) - .33, Management – 1.13253  
Motion by Melcher seconded by Fosaaen to approve the following budget levies for 2014-2015 and for proposed budget: Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) - .33, Management – 1.13253. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- I. Recommendation to approve the Budget Guarantee Resolution.  
Motion by Baxter seconded by Melcher the following Budget Guarantee Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Allamakee Community School District, will levy property tax for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- J. Recommendation to set a date for the public hearing on the 2014-2015 budget.  
Motion by Baxter seconded by Fosaaen to set Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 7:00 a.m. in the Board Room as the public hearing date on the 2014-2015 budget. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- K. Opening 2014-2015 negotiation proposal from the Allamakee Community Education Association to the Allamakee Community School District.  
Jed Hemann, representing the Allamakee Community Education Association, presented the initial bargaining proposal to the Allamakee Community School District. The proposal called for proposed language dealing with leaves, adding teaching tools, supplemental placement changes, step movements, lane changes and adding \$1,500 to the salary schedule base for a total package of 5.91%.
- L. Opening 2014-2015 negotiation proposal from the Allamakee Community School District to the Allamakee Community Education Association.  
Dave Herold, Superintendent, representing the Allamakee Community School District presented the initial bargaining proposal to the Allamakee Community Education Association. The proposal called for no change in health insurance, step movement and lane changes, 2 year contract and base increase of \$100 for a total package of 1.67%
- IX. Adjournment  
Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. The next regular monthly meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, April 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.