

ALLAMAKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014 – HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
5:30 P.M.

I. Roll

Board Members: Tom Baxter, Scott Melcher, Patty Nordheim, Allan Rissman and Tim Waters;
Staff Members - Ann Hart, Linda Groe, Bill Hennessy, Joe Griffith, Randy Nordheim, Shawn Gordon,
Julie Magner, Barb Winters, Gretchen DeVore, Jen Garin, Mike Shupe, Janice Rea, Board Secretary and
Dave Herold Superintendent.

Visitors – Mary Melcher, Laura Melcher, Savannah Brede, Allie Schwartz, Leslie Sivesind, Melissa
Hammel, Adam Benzing and Tyler O’Neill.

Reporter – Brianne Ehlers.

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

II. Agenda

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

III. Minutes

Motion by Waters seconded by Baxter to approve the minutes of the Special Meetings held on
Wednesday, November 26, 2014 and Friday, December 5, 2014 and the Regular Monthly Meeting and
Work Session held on Monday, November 17, 2014. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

IV. Bills

Motion by Melcher seconded by Nordheim to approve the bills for payment as presented. The vote was
all ayes. Motion carried.

V. Reports

-Dave Herold, Superintendent, reported on the following: the new law requiring attendance center
rankings and the criteria that will be used for the first round of rankings, the school start date mandate
and the correlation between NAEP test scores and school funding. Mr. Herold presented a
Better Boardmanship Certificate to Allan Rissman from the Iowa Association of School Boards. Board
Members who are active not only at the local level but at the state level and participate in additional
training and educational activities received this award from IASB.

-Joe Griffith, Junior High and Waterville Elementary Principal, reported on the following: junior high
girls’ basketball and wrestling sporting seasons will be finished this week, the great job students have
done at the recent band and vocal concerts, the Eduvision streaming of some of the junior high sporting
events and ITBS tests will be given in January.

-Ann Hart, East and West Elementary Principal, reported on the following: East and Waterville
Elementary will be roller skating this week, complimented staff and students on the great elementary
Christmas Concert and that Early Literacy and Basic Skills testing will be given in January.

-Jennifer Garin, Assistant High School Principal/Activities Director, reported finals are being held this
week for high school students, the winter sports season is in full swing and noted to check the District’s
website calendar for any weather related changes. Ms. Garin invited all present to the Holiday Concert
being held at 7:00 p.m. and said the NEIC Music Fest will be held at the high school on January 19,
2015.

-Gretchen DeVore, Curriculum Director, reported on her recent attendance at RTI Training, the TLC
Grant Process and curriculum meetings.

-Bill Hennessy, Buildings and Grounds Director, reported on the following: the steam leak at Waterville
has been fixed, the 30+ year old clothes dryer will need to be replaced and the schedule of cleaning of
the buildings and updating of the fire alarm system during Christmas break.

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- Shawn Gordon, Technology Director, reported students are using Eduvision to stream athletic events and a new allocation of Microsoft money will be available in January for K-3 reading initiatives.
- Julie Magner, Food Service Director, reported the District Food Service Department had a state review last week and the reviewer had many positive comments about the lunch program. Mrs. Magner said she was very proud of her staff on the fine job they did in helping out with the review.
- Randy Nordheim, Transportation Director, reported the new busses have been ordered and the placement of the equipment on the KNEI radio tower is complete and has been working very well. Motion by Nordheim seconded by Baxter to approve the Secretary's Financial Report, Activity Fund Report, School Lunch Report, Superintendent's Report, Principal's Report, Curriculum Report, Buildings and Grounds Report, Food Service Report and Transportation Report as presented. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

VI. CommunicationsA. Information1. Project Lead The Way – Mike Shupe

Mike Shupe reviewed his Project Lead The Way class of Principals of Engineering. Mr. Shupe said the class involves all elements of STEM with students having to make group or individual decisions on their projects. Students Allie Schwartz, Leslie Sivesind, Mellissa Hammel, Adam Benzing and Tyler O'Neill all demonstrated and explained their classroom projects. Mr. Shupe gave a special thank-you to Jen Garin for heading up the program.

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 BusinessA. Personnel: (All staff recommended for hiring is pending a background check.)1. Recommendation to approve 21st Century After School Program personnel.

Motion by Melcher seconded by Waters to approve 21st Century After School Program personnel. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

2. Recommendation to accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Ann Hart, East and West Elementary Principal, effective at the end of the year.

Motion by Nordheim seconded by Baxter to accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Ann Hart, East and West Elementary Principal, effective at the end of the year. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried. The Board thanked Ms. Hart for her 25 years of service.

3. Recommendation to hire Lacy Lloyd as a three day per week associate at East. (\$10.51)

Motion by Waters seconded by Baxter to hire Lacy Lloyd as a three day per week associate at East. (\$10.51) The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

4. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Leah Stammeyer from her high school associate position.

Motion by Melcher seconded by Nordheim to accept the resignation of Leah Stammeyer from her high school associate position. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

5. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Joan Schwartz from her assistant volleyball coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement.

Motion by Baxter seconded by Waters to accept the resignation of Joan Schwartz from her assistant volleyball coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

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6. Recommendation to approve Shelly Grangaard as a substitute bus driver.
Motion by Nordheim seconded by Waters to approve Shelly Grangaard as a substitute bus driver. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
 7. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Joey Lapel from his head 8th grade girls' volleyball coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement.
Motion by Baxter seconded by Melcher to accept the resignation of Joey Lapel from his head 8th grade girls' volleyball coaching position, pending finding a suitable replacement. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
 8. Recommendation to hire Don Kuennen and Don Thies as driver education instructors. (\$177.50)
Motion by Nordheim seconded by Waters to hire Don Kuennen and Don Thies as driver education instructors. (\$177.50) The vote is all ayes. Motion carried.
 9. Recommendation to approve Frank Weymiller as a volunteer wrestling coach.
Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to approve Frank Weymiller as a volunteer wrestling coach. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- B. Recommendation to approve the line item budget as a working document.
Motion by Waters seconded by Nordheim to approve the line item budget as a working document. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- C. Recommendation to approve the Modified Supplemental Application for Dropout Prevention.
Motion by Nordheim seconded by Melcher to approve the Modified Supplemental Application for Dropout Prevention as presented. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- D. Recommendation to approve Waukon Wrestling Club Sunday usage of the gyms and cafeteria.
Motion by Baxter seconded by Waters to approve Waukon Wrestling Club Sunday usage of the gyms and cafeteria. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
- E. Recommendation to purchase a skid loader.
Motion by Waters seconded by Nordherim to purchase a skid loader from Reiser Implement for \$38,808.36 with the addition of air conditioning to the skid loader for \$800. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried.
Motion by Melcher seconded by Baxter to purchase a tiller from Gary's Tractor for \$2,406.00. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried. Perkins funds and PPEL funds will be used for purchase of the equipment.

IX. Adjournment

Motion by Melcher seconded by Waters to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m. The vote was all ayes. Motion carried. The next regular monthly meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, January 19, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the high school library.