

Almond Bancroft School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Almond Board Room
Wednesday, February 17, 2016 6:30 pm
Almond, WI

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1) Call Meeting to Order by President Bradley

2) Roll Call-Establishment of Quorum

__Bradley __Danforth __Dernbach __ K Dernbach __ Guth __Warzynski __Wilson
All board members were present except Jerry Dernbach. Members of administration were Mr. Boxx, District Administrator, and Mr. Rykal, Principal. Michele Warzynski, District Bookkeeper was present. Members of the audience included Brianne Kotolski, Ben Sawyer, Tom Collins, Hunter Laska, Jordan Kealiher, Corrine Pratt, Buster Pratt, Scott Kollock, Kim Weiss, JB Rykal and Ariel Plaski.

3) Proof of Posting of Meeting Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84

Mr. Boxx reported meeting was posted according to Statute

4) Approve Agenda

Motion by Cathy Guth second by Roy Danforth to approve agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

5) Public Appearances Before the Board of Education

None-Kim Weiss noted that she could not find the board meeting on the school website. Asked if that could be looked into. Mr. Boxx said it should be posted.

6) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

6A January 27, 2016 Regular meeting of the Board Open Session

Motion by Jeanette Wilson second by Cathy Guth to approve minutes for the January 27, 2016 regular meeting of the board open session with the motion for 10A regarding Caps on Special Education Open Enrollment added detail of 11 available slots for Early Childhood for 2016-17. No other slots are available. Motion carried 7-0.

7) Approval of Current Expenses and Vouchers Payable

Motion by Roy Danforth second by Jeanette Wilson to approve current expenses and vouchers payable. Motion carried 6-0.

8) Announcements/Reports/Updates/Consent Items/Correspondence

8A Correspondence-Recording Clerk-M Warzynski

8B District Administrator Report

Open enrollment records request by Bonnie Warzynski was reviewed. Mr. Boxx is the custodian of such records and after consulting WASB attorneys the recommendation was that the board as a whole would need to approve that they review the open enrollment documents. Mr. Boxx reported that as the custodian he was informed that he should not make copies. Bonnie Warzynski also called an attorney from WASB. Bonnie Warzynski would like to review in open session with the entire board being very aware not to mention a name or anything that might be very obvious as to whom the student is. Also that the board not share with anyone else. Bonnie Warzynski made a motion to allow board members to review the open enrollment documents to facilitate discussions and better service the kids that are

attending Almond Bancroft second by Keith Dernbach. Motion carried 6-0. Board members will be allowed to review before the next meeting in the district office.

8C PK-12 Principal Report

Report on school activities

General Building Updates

Update on programs

FBLA- six students are moving on to State Competition. 4th Grade going on their trip with funds from a Target Grant that Amanda Negro and Carrie Karch applied for and received for their class. The Ammel Benefit had 72 baskets donated. Amazing evening with support for the Ammel family. Mary Lou Kaepfel, Title 1-Reading Specialist Teacher, did a lot of the organizing and as well as Student Council members. There was an enormous amount of support and help. Bancroft students donated pajamas to the Family Crisis Center. There were 44 pair of pajamas. ACT testing for Juniors is March 1st. ACT Work Keys is March 2nd. 3rd to 8th will be taking the Wisconsin Forward Exam over March 28th to May 20th. This test is computer based and an adaptive test. If the student answers with correct/incorrect answers the test adjusts accordingly. There is no time limit so it is a nightmare to schedule. Geography bee was won by Orion Kunst. He was either 5th or 6th at Regionals in Wild Rose. Play practice "Back to the 80's" has begun. April 2nd and April 3rd are the show dates. High Quiz Bowl meets are almost finished. Cole Warzynski is moving through WIAA tournament. He will be wrestling this weekend on Saturday. We are live streaming the board meeting tonight. Hunter Laska and Mr. Collins are behind the camera. Jordan Kealiher has commented for some of the sporting events. The media class wrote a grant and received \$1,500 to create a commercial studio. Mr. Collins said that if you would like to see the media club livestream football or baseball think about getting internet by the fields. "1336 enews" on utube.com. This is an extension of our program that we are doing with Cesa 10. Tom and students do a wonderful job live streaming and most of the live streams are archived.

9) Organizations/Donations to the Almond-Bancroft School District

None.

10) Policy Development and Review

10A Policy 133 procedures for Board Vacancy includes vacancies greater than 60 days – First Reading

First Reading

10B Policy 720 School Safety-First Reading and Plan Review

First Reading-School Safety Plan is a living document that can be tweaked and updated at any time. This Policy references the School Safety Plan. Mr. Rykal is working on a flip chart for the staff to use during emergencies. Making sure that all material aligns.

11) Possible Action Items with Respect to:

11A FBLA state participation

Ariel Plaski made a presentation reviewing the upcoming state competition activities and requirements for April 11th and 12th. The competition is in LaCrosse. They will be able to take with them two voting delegates as well. The students are gauging who to take with them based on chapter participation in the March of Dimes fund raiser and who will help lead FBLA next year. Attendees will be paying for their meals. If a student places 4th or above they can move on to Nationals in Atlanta, Georgia June 29th to July 3rd. Bonnie commented that a group leader needs to stay in a room without students. So one more room would be needed for the trip. Ariel did a very good job presenting the details of the trip. Jeri Rykal said they are working on State and starting to work on presentations for Nationals. Motion by Cathy Guth second by Keith Dernbach to approve FBLA students spending overnight in LaCrosse, WI for state competition. Motion carried 6-0.

11B Sale of Property to Mr. & Mrs. Russell

Motion by Cathy Guth second by Roy Danforth to except \$2,000 for property to Mr. and Mrs. Russell. Motion carried 6-0.

11C Act 32 update

Conference call at 2:30 tomorrow with Cesa 10. Posted a plan for vendors we are using and timing of projects. Recommising actual cost will be closer to the \$50,000. Vestibule doors are over the quote because the handicap ramp needs more room than what is there. They wanted to have the ramp outside

but that's about \$75,000. Then they suggested we have the handicap entrance down by the 2nd grade classrooms with a button for opening the doors and a camera by those doors.

11D Score board bids

Trying to get the model number for Mr. Johnson. We have received no other bids. It does not have a control board. Table until the next meeting.

11E Resurface east gym floor

Keith Dernbach would like to make a motion to have the resurfacing of the gym floor bid out. Roy Danforth seconds. Bid was discounted to do before school was out. Bonnie Warzynski wants to know if we should because of the concern regarding fumes in the building. This quote was from spring break last year. Water based keeps the floor clearer. Scott Kollock commented that the whole deal with the new gym was the fumes when we did it during Christmas break. Timing of when we do it is a concern. Floor is trashed before school starts because of doing it over the summer. Jeff Rykal asked at the principal meeting he attended what other schools are doing for gym floors. It was 50/50 every two years versus every year. Scott Kollock said when considering timing looking at the usage of the gym floors is important. Booster Club has offered in the past to pay for every other time. Dan Boxx said looking at a long range contract for more than one year would be in the best interest for the district. Sometimes you can get a reduced price. Motion by Keith Dernbach to ask for bids for the gym floors for the week of June 3rd to 12th or July 1st to 10th with water bourn polyurethane used second by Roy Danforth. Motion carried 6-0.

11F Bancroft School Review and possible setting dates of public meetings

Looking at the educational needs of the students at the Bancroft School. Reviewed a day at the Bancroft School in detail. Title 1 students are worked with during their breakfast time as much as possible. ELL, Speech/Language, and Elementary Counselor spend a number of hours on the road driving every year. We could claim more 1:1 time for speech because speech would have more time to do speech versus being on the road. IEP meetings staff have to travel to Bancroft from Almond. We have 70 ELL students 9 are in Bancroft. Christy Ehlert, our ELL director, drives to Bancroft to service these students. Time and staff to accomplish student assessments (testing) is limited at best. Ratio of staff to students is unsustainable. Jeanette Wilson commented that two of the staff that work at the Bancroft School work with one student each as one on one aids. Lorrie Ammel spends up to 50% of her time working with the lunch program. We need to have consistency with collaboration between Kindergarten and 1st grade. Face- to-face time with students is 115 minutes a day of lost contact time with students. Bonnie Warzynski felt that the clock should start at 8:20 am versus 8:00 am because students do not start until that time. The travel time is what sets off these hours per Jeff Rykal. Coaching for staff and feedback regarding performance would increase. Decrease in expense for special education travel. Student population has dropped 20% over the last 12 years. Bonnie Warzynski asked if we have hit a plateau. We are not seeing an increase like we did years ago. Dan Boxx reviewed the number of hours of instruction to get to the 1,065 hours. We installed a Nitrate removal system to meet state requirements. There is a cost to maintain the system. Dan Boxx said we have money in the Act 32 borrowing to update the windows and doors for Bancroft facility if the board and community want to. Bonnie Warzynski wants to know how we are going to service the students with less staff time. Jeff Rykal said kitchen staff preparation and time would be eliminated. That would be approximately half a position. We would be able to make up the approximately the other half with staff at Almond. This is in theory, students needs change depending on student population changes. Jeanette said there are four or five volunteers at the Bancroft school that probably wouldn't be at Almond School. Bonnie Warzynski said that her understanding is that Grandma's have taken over much of the lunch time. Dan Boxx said priorities here are education of students. Finance is third. If we need to change that number we will change that number. Two proposals for student physical placement were presented and reviewed, Plan A and Plan B. Kim Weiss asked if staff have been consulted regarding move. What would happen to the Bancroft building and what if it doesn't sell? Would we still maintain the building and how much would that cost? Yes we would. Do we know if there is asbestos in the building? Dan Boxx commented that in three years the Fund 39 debt would be paid off. We could run a referendum at that time to exceed the revenue limit. We have enough in fund balance to make it until then but then we would have to run a referendum. Specials were moved to Almond School about 9 years ago partly because it was affecting the elementary schedule for the grades at Almond School. Concerns regarding space for gross motor skill therapy for special education students. Debbie Bradley said we should address the times for public hearings and if we need more time to review. Bonnie Warzynski asked if there would be in-service time

to meet with Bancroft staff to review the plans. Jeff Rykal said he has scheduled time during the inservice day. Bonnie Warzynski says public meetings would be to get input from the community. Roy Danforth asked about lunch time in the cafeteria. He also wants to know what teachers think. Dan Boxx said we can have the in-service meeting taped for board to review. Board consensus is the March 16th board meeting will be for a public input meeting at the Bancroft School.

12) Items for Signatures

12A Signatures for meeting minutes

13) Dates for Upcoming Committee Meetings and Board Meetings

13A Regular meeting March 16, 2016, at Bancroft School

13B Future agenda items for discussions

Our larger van needs to be replaced.

14) Roll Call-Adjournment to Closed Session

The Board will entertain a motion to convene in closed session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1) (c) Administrator Evaluation.

Motion by Roy Danforth second by Keith Dernbach to table administrator review. Motion carried 6-0.

15) Roll Call-Return to Open Session

Reconvene to Open Session to act on items discussed in closed session if necessary

No closed session.

15) Adjournment

Motion by Jeanette Wilson second by Cathy Guth to adjourn at 9:15 pm. Motion carried 6-0.