

ASTORIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

The Amended Budget Hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the District Library.

Members present:	Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, Stevens
Members absent:	None
Administrators present:	Supt/HS Principal Don Willett GS/JH Principal Dave Crouse Board Secretary Tammie McCormick
Community members present:	Courtney Wherley

Superintendent Willett gave a presentation regarding the Amended Budget for FY23.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Stevens, to adjourn the Amended Budget Hearing. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members present:	Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, Stevens
Members absent:	None
Administrators present:	Supt/HS Principal Don Willett GS/JH Principal Dave Crouse Board Secretary Tammie McCormick
Community members present:	Courtney Wherley

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions to the agenda: 10.5 Co-op by-laws; 11.5 Recommend accepting resignation from Anna Cooley as music teacher.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to approve the consent agenda items (minutes, bills, payroll) as presented. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

A thank you was read from the Betty Clemens family for the donation to the Astoria Fire and Rescue.

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Motion by Shaw, seconded by Stevens, to approve the amended FY 23 budget as presented. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Shaw, to accept a \$2,400 bid from France Bulldozing to clear five lots at the corner of Logan and Vine Streets. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by France, to approve the Consolidated District Plan for 2024. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

First reading of the following Press Policies was held: 2:80; 2:80-E; 2:170; 4:45; 4:100; 5:230; 6:10; 6:190; 6:240; 7:275; 7:305; 7:330; 8:25; 8:95.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Prather, to approve let bids for bread, dairy and waste removal. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Musson, to approve the Annual Serious Safety Hazard Resolution. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

The Principal/Superintendent Report from Mr. Willett included:

- Budget update: As a guideline, each month is worth 8.33% of the total budget. At 11 months into our fiscal year, our guideline is 83.3%. As of May 31, our Ed Fund is 72.09%; Building Fund is 70.02%; and Transportation Fund is 74.81%. Our overall budget is at 68.69%. As a reference, 1% of our total budget is nearly \$63,500.
- We will be having a chair and desk giveaway next week. We have a lot of old chairs and desks that will be available to the community if they would like one or two for their house. Location for the pick-up will be in the school parking lot. A notice will be put on our Facebook page and website to indicate the date and time of the pick-up.
- The district is looking to hire part-time bus drivers. The district will pay for all aspects of obtaining the bus CDL. If you are interested, please contact the high school office at 329-2156.
- Online school registration will open on July 10 for all students.

Our health insurance carrier and rates for 2023-24 were discussed.

An update was given on the window project.

A discussion was held about Fitness PE.

The door fob project will not be ready until December.

A discussion was held on the co-op's by-laws and Beardstown Christian Academy joining the co-op.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by France, to go into closed session at 6.39 p.m. for the following purpose:

- Appointments, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by France, to convene into closed session at 6:39 p.m. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Cameron, to adjourn the closed session at 7:12 p.m. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Prather, seconded by France, to approve the minutes of the closed session. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Prather, to hire Braden Wherley as high school math and freshman language arts teacher for the 2023-24 school year. Cameron, Egleton, France, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Musson voted present. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Prather, to hire Wes Carithers as high school Ag teacher and FFA sponsor for the 2023-24 school year. Cameron, Egleton, France, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Musson voted present. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Cameron, to accept the resignation from Stephanie Briggs as a paraprofessional. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Cameron, to accept the resignation from Caitlin Griffin as junior high language arts teacher. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Cameron, to accept the resignation from Anna Cooley as music teacher. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Musson, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:14 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.