ASTORIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the District Library.

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| Members present: | Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, Stevens |
| Members absent: | None |
| Administrators present: | Supt/HS Principal Don Willett<br>GS/JH Principal Dave Crouse<br>Secretary Tammie McCormick |
| Community members present: | Mandy Friedrich, Courtney Wherley, Chris Kendrick, Jennifer Kendrick, McKinley Kendrick |

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions to the agenda: 11.3 Recommend accepting Tom Kollmann's resignation from JV boys' basketball coaching position; delete 11.7; 11.11 Recommend approving Todd Stambaugh as fishing boat caption; 11.12 Recommend accepting Lexi Danner-Clark's resignation from JV volleyball coaching position.

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

McKinley Kendrick, daughter of Chris and Jennifer Kendrick, was introduced as the April High School Student of the Month. She talked about the activities she has been involved in and her plans on attending Spoon River College for early childhood education.

The first reading of the following Press Policies was held: 2:40; 2:50; 2:60; 2:140; 2:140-E; 2:260; 2:265; 2:270; 4:20; 4:110; 4:190; 5:10; 5:20; 5:35; 5:40; 5:100; 5:300; 6:40; 6:185; 7:10; 7:10-E; 7:20; 7:180.

Motion by Shaw seconded by France, to approve the purchase of a boat motor and equipment for the fishing team. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, and Shaw voted aye. Stevens voted present. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Prather, to approve the MOU with the teacher's union to increase weight room pay to $20 per hour, not to exceed $40 per day. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

The Principal Report from Mr. Crouse included:

- IAR testing was held April 3-8.
- Mrs. Thiner is taking our fourth and fifth grades to the Peoria Symphony on Friday, April 19.
- Eighth grade will be going to Spoon River College on Friday, April 26, for Reality Store experience.

- Junior high track is in full swing when the weather cooperates. Our seventh grade boys won 1st place in the Farmington relays this last weekend.

The Principal/Superintendent Report from Mr. Willett included:

- Budget update: As a guideline, each month is worth 8.33% of the total budget. At nine months into our fiscal year, our guideline is 74.97%. As of March 31, our Ed Fund is 64.53%; Building Fund is 48.40%; and Transportation is 58.30%. Our overall budget is at 64.53%. As a reference, 1% of our total budget is nearly $58,000.
- The Astoria National Honor Society sponsored their spring blood drive this past Monday. Mrs. Wherley reported that they were able to get 24 units donated from students, staff, and community members. The drive was well organized by Mrs. Wherley and the NHS students. We appreciate that the ImapactLife people come to our school to administer the blood drive.
- The entire school enjoyed observing the eclipse on April 8. Jennifer Willard from the Astoria Public Library provided specific information about the eclipse and glasses for all students and staff for the event.
- Our fifth, eighth, and eleventh grade students will be taking the Illinois Science Assessment next week.
- We will have a teacher institute on Monday, April 22. There will be no school for students on that day.
- Congratulations to Ben Sherrod on signing his letter of intent to play basketball for Concordia University Wisconsin in Mequon, Wisconsin. He is enrolled for the fall of 2024.
- Our baseball, softball, and track teams have been competing and showing improvement as the season has progressed. Keep up the good work players and coaches.

The co-op has the following coaching positions open: junior high cross country, junior high boys' basketball, junior varsity volleyball, and junior high girls basketball.

We are working on the Student Handbook for 2024-25.

Motion by Prather, seconded by Shaw, to go into closed session at 7:22 p.m. for the following purpose:

- Appointments, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.
- Collective negotiating matters and deliberations concerning salary schedules.

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

Motion by Prather, seconded by Shaw, to convene into closed session at 7:22 p.m. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Musson, to adjourn the closed session at 8:06 p.m. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

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

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Shaw, to rehire Jenna Lindholm as part-time Spanish teacher for the 2024-25 school year. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Cameron, to grant tenure to Teresa Egleton and Anastasia McCombs for the 2024-25 school year. Cameron, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Egleton voted present. Motion passed.

*Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to accept Tom Kollmann's resignation from JV boys' basketball coaching position. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Shaw, seconded by Stevens, to hire Mike Simpson as varsity boys' basketball head coach. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Stevens, seconded by Prather, to hire Joe Clemens as JV boys' basketball coach. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Musson, seconded by Cameron, to hire Maddy Coulter as JV girls' basketball coach. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Stevens, seconded by France, to approve Stephanie Nicks as volunteer high school cheerleading coach. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Cameron, seconded by Prather, to approve Easton Sullivan as volunteer assistant coach for junior high school girls' basketball. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Stevens, seconded by Musson, to approve Kris Horwedel as volunteer assistant coach for high school girls' basketball. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Cameron, seconded by Musson, to approve Todd Stambaugh as fishing boat captain. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, and Shaw voted aye. Stevens voted present. Motion passed.

*Motion by Stevens, seconded by Prather, to accept Lexi Danner-Clark's resignation from JV volleyball coaching position. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

*Motion by Stevens, seconded by Cameron, to hire Tom Kollmann as varsity girls' basketball head coach. Cameron, Egleton, France, and Stevens voted aye. Musson, Prather, and Shaw voted nay. Motion did not pass.

All South Fulton COOP coaching positions denoted by * require a 2/3 super majority vote between the VIT and Astoria school boards to pass.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Musson, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:12 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.