

ASTORIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 Secretary Tammie McCormick
Community members present:	None

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions to the agenda: 11.3 Recommend accepting Bobette Massaglia's and Courtney Wherley's resignation from the high school drama club.

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

Kooper Jones, May High School Student of the Month, was not able to attend.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Shaw, to approve an increase to breakfast prices by 10 cents to \$1.30 and lunch prices by 10 cents for the 2024-25 school year. K-5 = \$2.75; 6-12 = \$3.00; Adults = \$3.20. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to approve the following Press Policies: 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. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Stevens, to approve IESA membership for the 2024-25 school year. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by France, to approve the 2024-25 student handbook. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Prather, to approve renewal with Unland Companies for building, vehicle, and liability insurance for the 2024-25 school year. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by France, seconded by Prather, to approve the purchase of new cameras for the security system using Health/Life/Safety funds. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

The Principal Report from Mr. Crouse included:

- Tomorrow is our 8th grade promotion at 7:00.
- Charlee Pittman and Myles Kendrick, along with their parents, attended the IPA Student Recognition Breakfast on the campus of WIU. They were treated to breakfast and then received a medal as recognition for their leadership qualities.
- Mrs. Staci McCombs' pre-k class held a pre-k art night on Monday. The attendance was overwhelming with over 90 family members here to celebrate their pre-k students.
- Junior high attended an education day game with the Peoria Chiefs on Tuesday.
- Picnic day will be Wednesday, May 22, at 11:00. This will be followed by our annual field day.
- The spring music concert will be at 10:30 on Thursday, May 23. This is our last day of school.
- Junior high track wrapped up a successful season. State qualifiers were Breezi Kelly, Kailyn Chenoweth, Samantha Krieger, and Kate Simmons in the 7th grade girls 4x100 relay; Ella Dutton, Aslyn Nehmelman, Jada Jones, and Alaina Dutton in the 8th grade girls 4x100; Kailyn Chenoweth in the 1600; Colby Martin in the 8th grade disc; Aaron Klaska in the 4x400; Karter Chenoweth in the 800, 1600, 4x100, and 4x400; Calvin Gorsuch in the 110 high hurdle, pole vault, 4x100, and 4x400; Morgan Foglesong in the pole vault, 400, 4x100, and 4x400; and Jonah Miller in the long jump, 100, 200, and 4x100. State Champions are Karter Chenoweth in the 800 and 1600 and Jonah Miller in the 100 and 200. Seventh grade 4x100 received 2nd place, Calvin Gorsuch received 2nd place in the pole vault, and Morgan Foglesong received 3rd place in the pole vault. The 7th grade boys scored 66 points to win by 25 points, becoming 7th grade 2A State Champions!!!

The Principal/Superintendent Report from Mr. Willett included:

- Budget update: As a guideline, each month is worth 8.33% of the total budget. At 10 months into our fiscal year, our guideline is 83.33%. As of April 30, our Ed Fund is 72.04%; Building Fund is 54.39%; and Transportation Fund is 65.88%. Our overall budget is at 70.76%. As a reference, 1% of our total budget is nearly \$58,000.
- High school graduation will be held on Sunday, May 19, at 2:00. Nineteen seniors will be graduating in the class of 2024.
- High school final exams will be on Tuesday, May 21, and Wednesday, May 22. The last day of school is Thursday, May 23, with an 11:30 dismissal. Teachers will conclude their school year on Friday, May 24.
- The high school window project will begin the week of May 27. The offices may be shut down for a day or two due to disconnecting the internet fiber into the building. The project will begin on the south side of the building where the office is located. The project should be completed by the start of the school year in mid-August.
- Congratulations to the 7th grade 2A boys track team on their State Track Meet Championship. They won the meet in dominating fashion, scoring 66 points as a team. Congratulations to Coach Crouse and Coach Gorsuch on their success this season.

- Our baseball and softball teams have concluded their seasons this week. Our boys' track members are competing in the sectional track meet tonight at Rushville. Kynley Mitchell, a freshman here at Astoria, has qualified for the State Track meet in the shot put. Best of luck to her at Charleston, on the campus of Eastern Illinois University.

Discussion was held about purchasing equipment for the weight room.

There was no closed session.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to recommend part-time summer tech employment for Eric Hanneman. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to recommend part-time summer tech employment for Devin Boggs. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to accept Carl Beebe's resignation from 7th grade girls' basketball position. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather, to accept Bobette Massaglia's and Courtney Wherley's resignation from the high school drama club. Cameron, Egleton, France, Musson, Prather, Shaw, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Musson, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, June 19, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.