

**ALBION CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ALBION, NEW YORK 14411
MARCH 4, 2019 SUMMARY
OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Board Vice-President, Mr. Steven LaLonde, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mr. Steven LaLonde asked those present to observe a moment of silence in memory of a staff member who had recently passed away.

Mr. David Sidari shared that Mrs. Eleanor Harrington began her career as a home economics teacher before moving to Albion Central. Mrs. Harrington served as a substitute teacher here from 1965-1970 before acquiring her full-time position as an elementary teacher in 1970. She held her position until her retirement in 1993.

In observations, Mrs. Harrington's rapport with her students and her classroom management were often cited as strengths. Classroom observations frequently praised the hands-on experience lessons provided students.

Mrs. Harrington passed away February 20th at the age of 86.

RECOGNITION

Middle School Student Awards

Hady Beltran Roblero - Leadership
Maya Knaak - Character

Mr. Bonnewell welcomed Mr. Derek Vallese as the District's newly appointed School Business Official. Mr. Vallese will be filling Mr. Shawn Liddle's position following his retirement on March 31st.

Mr. Bonnewell thanked Mr. Liddle for his twenty-three years of service to the District and indicated this would be the last Regular Board of Education meeting he would attend in his current position. He further expressed to Mr. Liddle that the District looks forward to hearing about the many enjoyable activities his retirement offers to him.

Mr. Liddle shared that it had been a privilege to serve the district.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BOARD APPROVED

PUBLIC FORUM - None

2. APPROVAL OF BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Minutes of January 31, 2019 Special Board Meeting
Minutes of February 4, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- B. Treasurer's Report January 2019
- C. Extra-Classroom Activity Fund Report for January 2019
- D. CSE & CPSE Recommendations
- E. Committee on Special Education Referral Information
- F. Fundraiser Request
- G. Building/Equipment Use Requests
- H. Budget Transfer Request

BOARD APPROVED

3. CORRESPONDENCE - None

4. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Boys and Girls Group - Mrs. Jennifer Ashbery

Mrs. Ashbery presented on the after-school Boys and Girls Clubs.

The clubs were established in 2016 because of:

- increased discipline referrals in 4th and 5th grade
- the need for additional support for students struggling to recognize their self-worth, feeling connected to school, forming peer relationships and for some who have displayed concerning attendance patterns.

The purpose of the clubs is to:

- increase students' sense of belonging
- provide extended opportunities beyond the classroom to help students learn and practice the pragmatics of social interactions
- increased opportunities for student voice
- have students believe that they are special, important and have something to contribute to school and the Albion community
- celebrate each other and demonstrate that they are proud Purple Eagles

Staff advisors are comprised of teachers (classroom and special area), counselors, teacher aides and Department of Social Service

caseworkers. In the fall of 2017, the Albion Elementary School Boys and Girls Groups were chosen to be the recipient of grant funds provided by the Genesee Orleans Youth Board. The Youth Board acknowledged that an increase in students' sense of belonging can have a positive impact on students' success both in school and in the community.

5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** - None

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Capital Conference - Mr. Sidari and Mr. Wadhams

Mr. Sidari shared with the Board that he and Mr. Wadhams attended the Capital Conference and Lobby Day in Albany on February 10th and 11th. He highlighted areas of interest at the conference and provided information regarding state aid proposals by the Government Relations Team at NYSSBA.

Mr. Sidari also highlighted some of the Governor's proposals with regard to aid categories, the 2% tax cap becoming permanent and a 6th through 12th grade comprehensive health curriculum.

Mr. Sidari indicated Commissioner Elia also covered topics such as law enforcement in schools, graduation rates and the Smart Schools Bond Act.

Mr. Sidari shared that they were also able to meet with Senator Ortt.

Mr. Sidari also found the information shared by reporters from the Wall Street Journal and Capital Tonight of interest.

Mr. Wadhams found the Conference interesting and informative.

B. Additional Field Experience Teachers & Observers

Board Members reviewed a list of additional Field Experience Teachers and Observers.

C. Contract for School Business Official/District Clerk

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7. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Personnel - **MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

B. 2019-2020 Draft School Year Calendar

A copy of the 2019-2020 Draft School Year Calendar was provided to the Board for their review and consideration.

Mr. Bonnewell reviewed his recommendation to accept the calendar draft which is based on the BOCES approved calendar. His recommendations included the following:

- Starting teachers Tuesday, September 3rd (a student day at BOCES)
- Holding school for students on October 11th (a BOCES holiday because they have teachers in for two days in August)
- Taking one additional day on March 20th, as BOCES has no students this day

Mr. Bonnewell's recommendations would give the same 187 day calendar currently in place. The 187 day calendar would still require giving back two days if no emergency closing dates were used. Mr. Bonnewell suggested May 22nd, if a day was needed, because BOCES is also closed that day.

Mr. Bonnewell will review the recommended Draft Calendar with the ATA before final approval is sought from the Board.

C. Jury Duty - Policy 6460 Second Read and Adoption

BOARD APPROVED

D. Upgrade to Network Switch Fabric - Request for Proposal

BOARD APPROVED, upon the recommendation of Shawn Liddle, Assistant Superintendent for Business, LAKETEC Communications Inc. as the low responsible proposal for HP Aruba Switch Equipment in the amount of \$205,380 and authorized the purchasing agent to execute contracts contingent on final approval for E-rate funding for the same.

D. 2019 Superintendent Evaluation Workshop - Board Member Attendance

BOARD APPROVED, Mr. Steven LaLonde, Mrs. Elissa Nesbitt and Mr. Wayne Wadhams to attend the 2019 Superintendent Evaluation Workshop to be held on March 22nd in Rochester, New York and to pay expenses related to the registration and attendance at the same.

E. Volunteers

A list of volunteers was submitted for Board Members' information.

8. ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS

A. Building Principal Reports

Building Principals submitted their monthly reports for Board Members' information.

B. Attendance Report

The Attendance Report for September 2018 through January 2019 was submitted for Board Members' information.

C. Superintendent's Report

o Active Incident Drill

Mr. Bonnewell reviewed with the Board that planning continues in meetings being held to prepare for the upcoming Active Incident Drill. Last week Chief Nenni and Investigator Corey Black provided information at the Elementary School Faculty meeting. The High School Faculty meeting was held today and the Middle School Faculty meeting will be held next Monday. The drill is not being scripted and is designed to measure the response of the participants. While it is the hope there is never a need, the drill will better prepare the District and our supporting first responders.

o SRO Start - Chris Glogowski

Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that the School Resource Officer, Chris Glogowski started working with the District during February Break. Officer Glogowski will be introduced to the Board at the April Board Meeting. Officer Glogowski participates in student arrivals and dismissals along with other work he performs on campus.

o Ms. Nellie Brown "Tools for Schools"

Mr. Bonnewell reviewed with the Board that Nellie Brown will be back on campus to conduct a Tools for Schools assessment. She will be teaching custodial staff how to conduct the survey through live assessment, instruction and observation.

o Mr. James Bowers

Mr. Bonnewell reviewed with the Board that staff members from each group are being asked for two volunteer representatives to have a conversation with Mr. James Bowers from the New York State Health Department.

o Bus Drivers' Breakfast

Mr. Bonnewell reminded the Board that the Bus Drivers' Breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19th at 10:00 am in the HS Café. He invited the Board to join in sharing appreciation for the drivers and what they do to ensure the safety of our students.

o Kindergarten Registration

Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that Kindergarten Registration is Tuesday, March 5th from Noon - 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

- All District Instrumental Concert
Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that the All District Instrumental Concert is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6th at 7:00 pm in the HS Gym.
- High School Parent Teacher Conferences
Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that the High School Parent Teacher Conferences are Thursday, March 7th from 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm.
- SAT at High School
Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that ACS will host the SAT on Saturday, March 9th at 8:00 am.
- American Legion Oratorical Contest
Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that Melissa Barnosky is the winner of the New York State Contest held this past Saturday. Melissa will move on to Nationals at Indianapolis in April.
- Emergency Closing Days
Mr. Bonnewell shared information regarding the Governor's initial statement to the press, that he has since backtracked on, to waive the recent snow day used by schools in the recent weather event. Mr. Bonnewell reviewed that waivers of emergency closing days can only be granted by the New York State Education Department after all available vacation days have been used.

9. BOARD DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
Monday	March 11, 2019	Audit Finance Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
Monday	March 18, 2019	Audit Finance Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
Tuesday	March 19, 2019	Bus Drivers' Breakfast HS Café	10:00 am
Monday	April 1, 2019	Regular Board of Education Meeting	7:00 pm
Monday	April 22, 2019	Board Candidate Petitions Due - District Office	5:00 pm
Tuesday	April 23, 2019	Annual BOCES Budget Vote & Election	TBD

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT

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11. OPEN SESSION

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7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Personnel

1. Appointments:

- a. Frank Movalli
Position: Interim High School Principal
Dates: 03/18/19 - TBD
- b. Derek J. Vallese
Position: District Clerk
Dates: 03/05/19 - 06/30/19
- c. Shawn E. Liddle
Position: Post-Retirement Transitional
Services, as needed

2. Fifth Block Appointment:

- a. Matthew Brooks
Position: Fifth Block Global Instructor
Dates: 20 Sessions 03/26/19 - 06/13/19
Time: 2:40 pm - 4:40 pm

3. Substitutes:

Certified Substitute Teachers

- None

Non-Certified Substitute Teachers

- Andrew Burroughs
- Adrianna Grieco

Non-Instructional: Clerical, Teacher Aide, Monitor and Cleaner Substitutes

- None

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Mr. Bonnewell indicated that on a follow-up call with Mr. James Bowers of the New York State Health Department, Mr. Bowers recommended he return and meet with a smaller group of representatives regarding the health issues previously shared by the ATA with the District. District administrators will solicit representatives from all employee units at the Elementary School for this meeting. We have also asked for one or two Board members to participate and will follow up for those Board volunteers.

Mr. Bonnewell shared with the Board that the Clay Target Insurance was approved by our carrier. The Club may now begin based on a prior Board vote.

Mr. Bonnewell requested Board members bring their calendars to the April 1st Board Meeting to set the time for the April 23rd BOCES Vote Meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT

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