



# School District of Altoona

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Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
August 17, 2020  
6:30 PM  
Board Room

## *Minutes on Agenda Items*

**I.** The regular meeting was called to order by Board President – Rick Risler at 6:30 p.m. in the District board room.

**II. Roll call** was taken and the following were present:

Rick Risler – President  
Dave Rowe - Vice President  
Taylor Neff – Clerk  
Daniel E Gluch – Treasurer  
Hillary Roth – Member  
Dr. Heidi Taylor-Eliopoulos – Superintendent  
Mike Markgren – Business Manager  
Lisa Boss – Executive/Financial Assistant & Recorder

**III. Approval of Agenda** – Motion by Hillary Roth to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Dave Rowe. Yes by Neff, Gluch, Rowe, Roth and Risler. Motion carried 5-0.

**IV. The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

### **V. Communication with the Board (OE 8)**

A. President's Report – (GC 4.4) – Rick is very pleased with the updated process of making the School Board meeting minutes more accessible to the public.

B. Budget Monitoring (OE 8.2) - Mike Markgren's financial summaries were reviewed and discussed.

C. Discussion of Board Activities (GC 3.4) – Hillary attended a CESA 10 meeting virtually and found it to be very informative. Hillary also shared that Localooza has been cancelled for this school year. Dave Rowe gave a brief summary of the Athletic Boosters silent auction currently happening on their website. This event ends Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. This auction replaces their Final Four party that was cancelled last March due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

D. Fall Planning (OE 8.12) – Heidi Eliopoulos shared that Corita (Reagan) Conklin will be our student representative for the next two school years. We are excited to welcome her aboard. The Administrative team has been busy planning for the fall which included frequent communication with the Eau Claire County Health Department, WI Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and Altoona Staff. We have shared communication at the District level as well as each individual school level. Our main concern is keeping our staff and students healthy. The staff has embraced the many changes in stride and have included their own ideas that go above and beyond what has

been suggested.

## **VI. Monitoring for Results (B/SR 5.4a & B/SR 5.3a)**

A. Consideration of Indicators for R-2: Art (B/SR 5.4a) – Motion by Dave Rowe to accept R-2: Art the Board finds that the district has established reasonable interpretations, indicators and baseline data and the report is approved for monitoring, seconded by Terry Neff. Yes by Gluch, Rowe, Roth, Neff and Risler. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Consideration of Indicators R-2: Physical Education and Health Indicators (B/SR 5.4a) – Motion by Dave Rowe to accept R-2 Physical Education and Health as the board finds that the district has established reasonable interpretations, indicators and baseline data and the report is approved for monitoring, seconded by Hillarie Roth. Yes by Rowe, Roth, Neff, Gluch, and Risler. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Consideration of Indicators OE-12: Facilities Indicators (B/SR 5.3a) - Motion by Dave Rowe to accept OE-12: Facility Indicators as the board finds that the district has established reasonable interpretations, indicators and baseline data and the report is approved for monitoring with the following edits: OE-12-5 will decrease the spending limit to \$200,000, seconded by Terry Neff. Yes by Roth, Neff, Rowe. No by Gluch and Risler. Motion carried 3-2.

## **VII. Board Consent Agenda**

A. Board Member Request to Remove an Item from the Consent Agenda (GC 2.5) - none.

B. Approval of July 20, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes (GC 2.4)

Motion by Dan Gluch to accept the Board Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Hillarie Roth. Yes by Neff, Gluch, Rowe, Roth and Risler. Motion carried 5-0.

## **VIII. Superintendent Consent Agenda (GC 2.4)**

A. Board Member Request to Remove an Item from the Superintendent Consent Agenda (GC 2.5) - none.

B. Approval of Hires, Resignations, and Retirements (GC 2.4)

1. Spanish Long-Term Sub *Hire* (GC 2.4) – Approve Ms. Maggie Johnson as recommended.

2. ELA Long Term Sub *Hire* (GC 2.4) - Approve Ms. Ellen Stumpf as recommended.

3. 4K Teacher *Hire* (GC 2.4) - Approve Ms. Abby Fell as recommended.

4. 4K Teacher *Hire* (GC 2.4) – Approve Ms. Jennifer Ertz as recommended.

5. Grade 4 Teacher Limited Term *Hire* (GC 2.4) - Approve Ms. Abbie Statz as recommended.

6. Grade 5 Teacher Limited Term *Hire* (GC 2.4) – Approve Ms. Tiffani Guse as recommended.

7. Kindergarten Limited Term Teacher *Hire* (GC 2.4) – Approve Ms. Jackie Tollefson as recommended.

C. Approval of Treasurer’s Report (GC 2.4)

D. Approval of Checks for Payment (GC 2.4)

E. Policy Updates: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading (GC 2.4)

1. 113: Non-Discrimination in District Programs, Activities, and Operations *New Policy* (GC 2.4) - 113 is a required policy to comply with new Title IX federal requirements. This is a new policy. This policy was adopted from a WASB template and is written to include all the mandatory elements to comply with the new regulations.

2. 184: Board Minutes *Revised Policy* (GC 2.4) - The proposed policy is revised to state that minutes will be on the district website and that a paper copy can be obtained by calling the district office. If someone calls for a paper copy, we would accommodate their preference to either pick one up or have one mailed to them.

3. 411: Student Non-Discrimination and Equal Educational Opportunities *Revised Policy* (GC 2.4) - Updates to the existing policy are required to follow new Title IX requirements. The updates were adopted from a WASB template and are written to include all the mandatory elements to comply with the new regulations.

4. 511: Equal Opportunity Employment *Revised Policy* (GC 2.4) - Updates to the existing policy are required to follow new Title IX requirements. The updates were adopted from a WASB template and are written to include all the mandatory elements to comply with the new regulations.

5. 512: *Revised Policy* (GC 2.4) - Updates to the existing policy are required to follow new Title IX requirements. The updates were adopted from a WASB template and are written to include all the mandatory elements to comply with the new regulations.

6. GBA: Equal Opportunity Employment/Non-Discrimination *Delete, Duplication of 511* (GC 2.4) - This is an old policy that is a duplicate of 511.

Motion by Dan Gluch to accept the Superintendent's Consent Agenda, seconded by Dave Rowe. Yes by Gluch, Rowe, Roth, Neff, and Risler. Motion carried 5-0.

## **IX. Matters Reserved for Board Action**

A. Item Removed from Board Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration (GC 2.5) – none.

B. Item Removed from Superintendent Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration (GC 2.5) – none.

C. Authorization of Use of Electronic Signature (B/SR 2.1) – This item is being brought forward for the Board's consideration of an added efficiency. The proposed action is that the Board authorize district staff to use an electronic version of a Board members signature when two conditions are present. 1) When the Board takes action through recorded vote and 2) when the action has an accompanying signature document. In the event that the signing Board member is absent when the vote is recorded, the signature of the next-in-line Board member would be used.

Motion by Hillarie Roth to authorize the district's use of electronic signatures when the Board's recorded vote is to be authenticated with a signature on a document, seconded by Terry Neff. Yes by Roth, Neff, Gluch, Rowe and Risler. Motion carried 5-0.

D. Board Service on Community-Based Committees (GC 1) – The Board reviewed the District Committees and Other Partnerships. It was agreed to discontinue Negotiations/Meet & Confer as well as the District Technology appointments. The committee delegates were updated as follows: WASB Delegate and Alternate: Terry Neff, Delegate; Hillarie Roth, Alternate; CESA Rep: Hillarie Roth, Delegate; City Parks & Rec Committee: no changes; Altoona Area Foundation: no changes. The Board discussed the Standing Committee Assignments and agreed to the following updates: Policy/Governance will be discontinued as this is addressed with our new Coherent Governance process; Budget Development will be discontinued and addressed as a Board workshop; Demographic Trends & Facility Planning will be discontinued and addressed as a Board workshop.

**X. Recess** – no motion

Roth exited the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

## **XI. Discussion of the Meeting (GC 2.2)**

**XII. Adjourn** - Motion by Terry Neff to adjourn at 8:16 p.m., seconded by Dave Rowe. Yes by Neff, Gluch, Rowe, and Risler. Roth – Absent. Motion carried 4-0.

The next Regular Meeting of the Altoona Board of Education is scheduled for September 14, 2020 in the District Board Room.

Lisa Boss, School Board Secretary

*Tara E. Neff*

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District Clerk

9/14/2020  
Date

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