

ARCOLA BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 8, 2023 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Arcola Community Unit District #306 Arcola, Illinois was called to order in the High School Library at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 for the purpose of regular business.

President L. Shonkwiler called the meeting to order. The following members answered roll call: Stout, L. Shonkwiler, Conlin, Leyva-Sanchez, Myers, J. Shonkwiler, and Wise.

Others present were: Tom Mulligan, Jennifer Frichtl, Megan Clark, Kyle Shay, Nick Lindsey, Amber Behrends, and David Porter.

Pledge of Allegiance

President L. Shonkwiler recognized the visitors and asked for public comment. There were no comments.

There were no pending FOIA requests.

Robin Yockey, the District Auditor, was unable to make it to the meeting this evening. Dr. Mulligan let the board know that they could schedule a conference call with the audit firm to discuss the audit, which they plan to do.

Motion by Stout, seconded by Myers, to approve the regular meeting minutes and closed session minutes from October 11, 2023 and the Building Committee meeting minutes from October 30, 2023. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Conlin, seconded by Leyva-Sanchez, to approve the Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2023 as submitted. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Stout, seconded by J. Shonkwiler, to approve the payment of bills as submitted in the amount of \$507,290.43. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by J. Shonkwiler, seconded by Leyva-Sanchez, to approve the payment of payroll in the amount of \$516,412.30. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Business:

Motion by Conlin, seconded by Wise, to approve the standard agreement between owner and architect that outlines the conditions of work performed by Graham and Hyde Architects. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Stout, seconded by Leyva-Sanchez, to approve the project authorization agreement with Graham and Hyde Architects authorizing the architect to move forward with the roof projects and the high school locker room renovations. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by J. Shonkwiler, seconded by Myers, to approve the tentative tax levy and set a truth in taxation hearing for December 13, 2023 at 5:30 pm. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Wise, seconded by J. Shonkwiler, to approve the FY23 Audit and Annual Financial Report. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Wise, seconded by Conlin, to approve the first reading of the student ambassador policy. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Stout, seconded by Leyva-Sanchez, to approve the Statements of Completion for Health Life Safety Amendments for the locker room and family consumer science room asbestos abatement projects. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Stout, seconded by J. Shonkwiler, to approve the acceptance of the district and school report cards from the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Administrative Team Reports

Mrs. Clark reported that of the 52 students referred for after school tutoring, around 42 had already signed up to attend. Mr. Lindsey let the board know that they had met with a potential candidate for the junior high math position. The candidate will be graduating in December and is currently student teaching. Dr. Mulligan said he received a request from Mr. Boyle asking if the board would consider approving the purchase of a sound mixer/system for their field show. A lot of the other schools have something similar when they attend the marching band competitions. Dr. Mulligan said he would provide more details at next month's board meeting.

There were no resignations to accept.

Motion by Stout, seconded by Myers, to approve the employment of Desi Thomas as High School Basketball Head Cheerleading Coach and Baley Milton as High School Basketball Assistant Cheerleading Coach pending successful completion of all paperwork and required procedures. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Myers, seconded by Leyva-Sanchez, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Board of Education and Arcola Education Association regarding the application of board paid premium for health insurance towards dental and vision insurance and to extend the same benefit to support staff. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Announcements: Dr. Mulligan reminded the board members of their mandated reporter status. He also asked if there was any issue with moving the December Board Meeting to 5:30 pm.

Motion by Wise, seconded by Myers, to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Roll call vote: Stout, aye; L. Shonkwiler, aye; Conlin, aye; Leyva-Sanchez, aye; Myers, aye; J. Shonkwiler, aye; Wise, aye. 7 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

President

Secretary