

Roll Call
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Albert City-Truesdale CSD
Public Hearing on 2006-07 Early Start Calendar
Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, July 10, 2006
6:00 PM
Albert City-Truesdale Library

The mission of the Albert City-Truesdale School is to offer equal opportunities for all students to develop the knowledge, skills and character necessary to successfully live in their ever changing, global world of work, community and family.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome visitors (Recognition of persons, who wish to speak to an item on the agenda or school matter.)
- III. Public Hearing – 2006-07 Early Start School Calendar
 - A. Proposed 2006-07 School Calendar
 - B. Public comments
 - C. Action: Act on request for waiver to begin 2006-07 school year before August 28, 2006
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - IV. Consent Agenda (may be approved in single motion):
 - a. Approve:
 1. Minutes of past board meetings
 2. Financial reports
 3. Summary list of bills
- V. Communications and Reports
 - A. Communications
 - B. Superintendent's Report
- VI. Policy
 - A. Action: Review, Affirm, Amend Policy Series: 214 – Public Hearings; 215 – Board of Directors' Records; 216 – Board of Directors' Member Services; 217 – Gifts to Board Members
 - B. Review for next month – Policy Series: 300 – Role of School District Administration' 301 – Administrative Structure; 302 - Superintendent
- VII. Unfinished Business
 - A.
- VIII. New Business
 - A. Action: Act on recommendation for contract for Barbara Kady, Elementary Principal
 - B. Action: Act on recommendation for contract for Katie Sporrer, 5th Grade Teacher
 - C. Action: Act on contract for superintendent
 - D. Action: Act on recommendation for summer school program

Next regular board meeting: August 14, 2006; 6:00 PM

IX. Adjournment

Albert City-Truesdale Community School District

June 12, 2006

To: Board Members
From: Marlin Lode
Re: June School Board Meeting

III. Public Hearing

Schools that wish to begin school before August 28 must hold a hearing to allow for public input and apply for a waiver of the mandatory start date. Since our calendar calls for a start date on August 21, we need to hold this hearing before June 30. Typically no one attends these public hearing. Sample motion: "I move to apply for a waiver of the mandatory start date of school for the 2006-07 school year, setting August 21 as the first day of school."

VI. Policy

Item A: Please review Policy Series 210-213. Sample motion: "I move to affirm Policy Series: 210 – Board of Directors' Meetings; 211 – Open Meetings; 212 – Closed Sessions; 213 – Public Participation in Board Meetings."

Item B: Under federal law all schools district are required to adopt a policy for student wellness. Included in the packet is a short description of the policy requirements. The recommended policy was drafted by the IASB and complies with federal requirements. This is a new policy, which the school board needs to adopt by July 1, 2006. Since this is required by law and has a deadline for approval, I recommend adopting the policy and waiving the second reading. Sample motion: "I move to adopt Policy 507.9 – Wellness Policy and waive the second reading."

Item C: It is my recommendation to amend our board policy regarding payment of goods and services between school board meetings. Business managers, superintendents and boards have lobbied for years to get old wording out of law and allow some bills to be paid without prior consent of the board. The legislature approved changes that would allow business managers and the superintendent to approve payment of appropriate bills between board meetings, with the board approving the expenditure in a later meeting. In reality schools have been doing this for a long time, but now it is allowed under law. If you need more explanation, we can talk about this in the meeting. Enclosed is a brief explanation of the new allowances and a sample policy. Sample motion: "I move to amend Policy 705.3 – Payment for Goods and Services as proposed."

Item D: Review Policy Series for next month: 214 – Public Hearings; 215 – Board of Directors' Records; 216 - Board of Directors' Member Services; 217 – Gifts to Board Members.

VIII. New Business

Item A: Enclosed you will find a letter of resignation from 2nd Grade Teacher, Esther Mullen. I recommend approval of her request, with appreciation for her service. Sample motion: "I move to accept the resignation of Esther Mullen, 2nd Grade Teacher, effective at the end of the 2006-07 school year, with appreciation for 27 years of service to the children of Albert City-Truesdale."

Item B: Laura Sievers, TAG Teacher, requested an increase in her contract time by .05 of full-time. Mrs. Sievers is an asset to our educational program and will use the additional time to provide enrichment programs in the regular classrooms. Mr. Baker and I recommend approval of her request. Sample motion: "I move to increase the contract time of Laura Sievers, TAG Teacher, by .05 of full-time."

Item C: Keith and I recommend offering a contract to Gene Sieves to serve as a regular route bus driver for our district effective next year. He will be driving the route that Linda Chada drove this year. Sample motion: "I move to offer a contract to Gene Sievers as regular and activity bus driver."

Item D: Mrs. Bruns requested a transfer from 5th Grade Teacher to 2nd Grade Teacher. Mr. Baker and I reviewed her record and experience and believe this will be a good move for our pupils and Mrs. Bruns. We recommend granting the request. We are confident that we can hire a 5th grade teacher from our list of candidates. Sample motion: "I move to grant a request for voluntary transfer for Annette Bruns from 5th Grade Teacher to 2nd Grade Teacher."

Item E: Next year AC-T and Sioux Central will continue to share the services of the following teachers: vocal music, instrumental music, guidance and TAG. Although our 10-year agreement provides for this, each year you need to approve a motion for the specific areas to be shared outside of whole-grade sharing. Sample motion: "I move to approve a 28E agreement with Sioux Central CSD for shared teachers in vocal music, instrumental music, guidance and talented and gifted."

Item F: Sandra and I recommend setting fees at the same rate as 2005-06. Enclosed is a copy of the current fee schedule. Sample motion: "I move to set the 2006-07 at the current amounts, no increase in fee charges."

Item G: Earlier we discussed a joint meeting with Sioux Central to discuss items of mutual interest, e.g. review of past year and regional high school concept. Mr. Callison and I discussed some options for a meeting date. We recommend meeting on July 10 at Albert City. That would be the same night as our regular board meeting. We could hold our regular meeting a little earlier, then meet with Sioux Central. Could save you a night out. In our meeting Monday night, we can decide if this is a good option.