

Text Box: Roll Call

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Albert City-Truesdale CSD
Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, June 8, 2009
6:00 PM
Albert City-Truesdale Teacher Work Room

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 a school matter.)

- III. 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. Spotlight on Education: Student Achievement Data, Julie Bjork
 - B. Principal's Report
 - C. Communications
 - D. Superintendent's Report

- VI. Policy
 - A. Review, Affirm, Revise – Policy Series: 711 – Transportation
 - B. Review for next month – Policy Series: 800 – Objectives of Buildings & Sites; 801 – Site Acquisition and Building Construction

- VII. Unfinished Business

- VIII. New Business
 - A. Action: Act on recommendation for transfer of funds from General Fund to Nutrition Fund
 - B. Action: Act on recommendation to set school lunch prices and student fees for 2009-10
 - C. Action: Approve preliminary plan for technology upgrades
 - D. Action: Approve purchase of a new school bus
 - E. Action: Approve contract with superintendent for 2009-10
 - F. Action: Act on resolution of intent to participate in the Instructional Support Program to approve hearing date

Next regular board meeting: July 13, 2009, 6:00 PM

IX. Adjournment

June 8, 2009

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

VI. Policy

Item A: Please review Policy Series 711. I recommend affirmation of the policies in this series. Sample motion: "I move to affirm Policy Series 711 – Transportation."

VIII. New Business

Item A: Our food service program has not been self sufficient for the past several years. For the most part it is due to economy of scale, i.e. due to our low enrollment, we do not collect enough in ticket sales and reimbursements to cover the cost of the program; therefore, Sandra and I are recommend a transfer of \$7,500 from the General Fund to the Nutrition Fund to cover the anticipated shortfall this year. This is same amount that was approved last year, and about half of what was reimbursed in years prior to that. Sample motion: "I move to approve a fund transfer of \$7,500 from the General Fund to the Nutrition Fund to cover the estimated shortfall for 2008-09."

Item B: Sandra and I did some research to compare our book fees and lunch charges with some area schools. We learned that our book fees are in line with other schools, but our lunch prices are very low. This spring a lunch consultant from the Department of Education recommended that we increase our lunch prices. Enclosed is a chart that shows a comparison of area schools. In the sample motion are our recommendations for fees for next year – No change in book fees, but increase breakfast and lunch prices. Sample motion: "I move to approve the following fees for 2009-10: Book Rent - \$25, Student Breakfast - \$.75, Adult Breakfast – \$1.25, Student Lunch - \$1.55, Adult Lunch - \$2.25, Carton Milk - \$.30, Semester Milk - \$25.00."

Item C: Mrs. Kady, Mrs. Bjork, and I are recommending major updates in technology for our students and staff. We are very excited about the possibilities and will share the details with you in the meeting. Enclosed are a list of recommendations and a proposed budget. If you approve these, we can begin ordering equipment, so we can have it ready to go when school starts. The cost of the technology can be paid out of the PPEL or SILO funds. Sample motion: "I move to approve the preliminary technology plan and budget as proposed by the administration and Mrs. Bjork."

Item D: We received three bids for a new school bus, with a handicap lift. Keith and I are reviewing the bids to be sure they meet the specifications and will have a recommendation ready by Monday night. You can expect a cost in the \$75,000 plus range. The cost of the bus can be paid out of the PPEL or SILO funds. Sample motion: "I approve the bid for a 2010 _____ school bus at the bid price of \$ _____."

Item E: Tom Whorley is working a proposed contract between AC-T and me for the 2009-10 school year. I want to be sure that what we do is legal. He has not completed his work on it yet, but expects to have it done in time for the meeting Monday night. In the meeting you can look it over and determine if you are OK with the contract. Basically, I propose a win-win for the school district and me. My salary for the next six months would be individual health insurance, with an early retirement package equal to any salary I would have earned between now and December 31. That saves money in the General Fund. We can talk in more detail in the meeting. Sample motion: "I move to approve a contract with Marlin Lode to serve as district superintendent through December 31, 2009."

Item F: I recommend that you approve a resolution to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program. The Program generates about \$127,000 a year for General Fund purposes. In past years, the program has been approved by the board, rather than by vote. Enclosed is an explanation of the procedure. We can talk more at the meeting. Sample motion: "I move to adopt a resolution to participate in the Instructional Support Program and hold a public hearing in regard to the Program on July 13, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Albert City-Truesdale Community School Library."