

**AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT
SCHOOL DISTRICT #272
AMBOY, ILLINOIS**

Tuesday, November 17, 2020
7:00 PM

Central School Gym
30 E Provost Street
Amboy, IL 61310

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
 - A. Roll Call
 - B. Open Forum
2. Action: Consent Agenda Items
 - A. Minutes

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272
BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.
CENTRAL SCHOOL GYM**

President Jones called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present except Leffelman. Also present were Joshua Nichols, Ryan Steins, Stacey Dinges, Nick Dinges, Bonnie Morris, Yvonne Vicks, Janet Crownhart, Andrew Full and Joyce Schamberger.

President Jones opened the floor for public comments. She read an email submitted for public comment from a parent complimenting the Junior High staff for their work transitioning students from in-person to remote learning and back again.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to approve the following Consent Agenda Item(s):

- Minutes of the September 1, 2020, Open Special Meeting;
- Minutes of the September 17, 2020, Open & Closed Regular Board Meetings; and
- Delete audio recordings dated April 25, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The next order of business was the presentation of the Annual Financial Audit by Ryan Steines of Winkel, Parker & Foster, CPA PC.

According to the report, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the assets and liabilities arising from cash transactions of each of the individual funds and account groups of Amboy Community Unit School District #272 as of June 30, 2020, and its revenue received and expenditures disbursed during the year then ended on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of the Illinois State Board of Education.

A motion was made by Pratt and seconded by Stenzel to approve the Annual Financial Audit Report as of June 30, 2020, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nichols shared the following for the finance report:

- Received \$8,647,292 or 74% of the anticipated revenue for the year and \$85,746 in sales tax revenue.
- Expensed 18% or \$4,520,607 this fiscal year.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to approve the current expenditures and payroll. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The Principals reported on school improvement, curriculum, and student activities in their buildings. Mrs. Schamberger announced that the preschool is undergoing their audit for the preschool grant, the second grade students and teachers are on remote learning until November 4, and she offered a special thank you to Rebeca Curl and Christine Nowacki for their quick work to send breakfasts and lunches covering the entire week home with the second grade students.

Nichole Stenzel asked about the implementation of the new curriculum. Mrs. Schamberger and Mr. Full reported it is slow and not without challenges. Mrs. Crownhart reported the high school will be piloting both math and ELA curriculum second semester.

Katie Pratt suggested a survey be sent to students, parents, teachers and staff asking for input on remote learning and hybrid learning. She asked that the survey be structured to highlight what is going well, and to ask each group to reflect on their own areas of improvement as well as each other.

Stacey Dinges asked about a remote learning liaison, a program implemented in another school district. Ben Schott is serving in that role at the junior high. A liaison would be responsible for touching base

with remote learning students to make sure they have the needed materials and are able to access classwork, as well as talk about any social-emotional issues.

Superintendent Nichols announced that the WIFI access points have been installed outside at both Central and the Junior High. The man who initially installed the elevator at the Junior High was able to come back and repair the elevator.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to approve the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) policy revisions, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Pratt and seconded by Payne to approve the revised 2020-2021 school calendar, as presented. This revision accommodates remote learning planning days. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:01 p.m., a motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to move to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:31 p.m., a motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion to table the resolution authorizing entry into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Amboy Community Unit District #272 and the Amboy Rural Fire Protection District for transfer of certain real estate, known as part of the former middle school property until the November 17, 2020 meeting was made by Pratt and seconded by Payne. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to approve the suspensions of students 10-20-20-1 through 10-20-20-2, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Pratt and seconded by Payne to accept the retirement resignation of Kay Shaw as Bus Driver, effective October 16, 2020. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to accept the resignation of Vanessa Goslin as Art Club Sponsor for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to approve the revised extra-curricular positions for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Upcoming dates include:

Regular Board Meeting – November 17, 2020, 7:00 p.m. – Central School

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Pratt, Secretary

Nicole Jones, President

Approved: _____

- B. Delete Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
 - A. Review of Financial Reports
 - B. 2020 Tentative Tax Levy and Set Public Hearing Date
 - C. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
 - A. Principal Reports

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**Amboy High School
Principal's Report
November 17, 2020
Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



Curriculum and School Improvement

- The November Student of the Month is Mallory Powers.
- The SIP day was held on Oct 21. SEL and Transitional Teams met to discuss the next few weeks of Homeroom.
- On the November 16th SIP day, staff participated in the annual armed intruder drill with the help of Lt. Frye and Deputy Kellen from the Lee County Sheriff's office and Officers Lester and Smith from the Amboy police department. Drills with the students are planned for November 18th.
- Senior students took their SAT on Oct 14th at the Community Building with the make-up test being held on October 27th. Students have already received their results.

School Activities

- Congratulations to the boys Cross Country team on finishing 3rd in Sectionals and ranked 10th as a team in 1A. If this would have been a "normal" year, they would have qualified for the State meet. Congratulations to Brock Loftus on his ShaZam race at Chillicothe.
- Congratulations to Kelton Schwamberger, Dana Merriman, and Courtney Ortgiesen on being selected to ILMEA District 8 Senior Band!!!
- On November 11th, we honored those that have served and are currently serving our country during the morning announcements.
- Spanish Honor Society and Student Council hosted a Blood Drive on November 13th at the Community Building.
- Volleyball team has been cleaning up yards for a donation to the CGH Women's health foundation.



Amboy Jr. High School
Principal's Report
November 17th, 2020
Submitted by: Andrew Full

Curriculum and School Improvement:

- On November 4th-6th, Mr. Olson attended a three-day virtual training on the Wilson Reading Program.
- On Thursday, November 5th, a faculty meeting was held to discuss the schedule, show results of the school day survey, discuss Veterans' Day, and the new rotations.

PBIS:

- On Monday, November 2nd we held our monthly PBIS celebration/assembly over Google Meets and the following awards were handed out (October):
 - o Students of the Month-
 - 5th Grade- Charlotte Patterson and Damian Bender
 - 6th Grade- Aaron Costner and Aubrey McGuire
 - 7th Grade- Myla Davis and Marcus Larsen
 - 8th Grade- Brooklyn Strub and Cordia Ascensio
 - P.E.- Caden Noble and Andrew Hummel
 - o Clipper P.R.I.D.E.- Aaron Costner, Landon Carter, Ty Florschuetz, Lily Yanez, Leighton Gulley, Lainey Davis, Karagen Welch, Grace Althaus, Maddix Beyer, Ella Noble, Gage Mumm, Tyrah Vaessen, Brenna Fields, Alainie Wittenauer, Kaydence Roath, Sadee Benavidez, Victor Lopez-Belmontes, Landon Donna, Colt McCoy, Jasmine Scott, and Lexi Davis.
 - o Faculty and Staff Recognition Winners- Ms. Kaylee Jones and Mrs. Scotlyn Schabacker
- Also on Monday, November 2nd we held our 1st Quarter PBIS celebration. Students were able to watch a movie and were given a treat bag on their way out of school.

School Activities:

- On Thursday, October 22nd and Friday, October 23rd AJHS held virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences. The participation is as follows:
 - 5th Grade- 58%
 - 6th Grade- 49%
 - 7th Grade- 33%
 - 8th Grade- 31%

- 5th-8th- 42% (71% last year)
- As of Tuesday, November 10th, 46 students are learning remotely out of 236 for 19.5%.

Amboy Central School
Principal Report
Joyce Schamberger
November 2020

Curriculum:

- Central School staff along with Deputies from the Lee County Sheriff's Dept. and Amboy Police Dept. helped train students on dangerous intruders in the school. Two short videos were shown that helped explain to the younger students the importance and reason for this drill. There is also a book that is recommended by the ALICE Training.
- The remote learning committee met on Nov. 4th to discuss school wide plans to prepare in case the entire school would have to go remote. One teacher from each grade, 2 special education teacher, specials and Title teachers also took part in the planning. Continued planning is occurring.

School Activities:

- Book It Incentive party for those who made their November reading goals will be a Mystery! Each month those students who make their reading goals will receive a gift. Students are to put together all the clues of the mystery gifts and guess the reason behind the mystery of the school!



B. Superintendent Reports

5. Discussion: Agriculture Surplus Material
6. Discussion: 2020-2021 Basketball Season
7. Action: IMRF Insurance Resolution
8. Action: Whiteside Area Career Center Health Life Safety Project
9. Action: Executive Session
10. Action: Return to Open Session
11. Action: Student Discipline
12. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment