

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

Tuesday, May 18, 2021  
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  
THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.  
AMBOY CENTRAL ELEMENTARY 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. Also present were Bonnie Morris, Kaylee Jones, Anna Willis, Yvonne Vicks, Jamie Rodriguez, Janet Crownhart, Andrew Full, Joyce Schamberger and Jenny Apple.

President Jones opened the public hearing regarding the application for waiver of section 5/27-24.2, 24/3 of the school code as it relates to Driver's Education. This waiver allows the district to charge up to \$250 instead of the \$50 school code limit. There were no questions or comments. President Jones declared the public hearing closed. A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to approve to submit the application for waiver of section 5/27-24.2, 24.3 of the school code as it relates to Driver's Education for the school years 2021-2026, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones opened the public hearing regarding the application for waiver of section 5/10-20.12(a) of the school code as it relates to tuition. This waiver allows staff members to bring their students tuition-free to the district. This has helped retain staff members who have taken advantage of this benefit. There were no questions or comments. President Jones declared the public hearing closed. A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by White to approve to submit the application for waiver of section 5/10-20.12(a) of the school code as it relates to tuition for the school years 2021-2026, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The floor was opened to comments or questions from the audience. Third grade teacher, Jamie Rodriguez invited all to check out the Wild Robots classroom project. Katie Pratt handed out and discussed a Strategic Planning Process and Timeline. A Core Committee will first be established then reach out for members to serve on the Brain Trust Committee.

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

- Minutes of the March 6, 2021, Retreat Meeting;
- Minutes of the March 18, 2021, Open & Closed Regular Meetings;
- 2021-2022 IESA Registration;
- 2021-2022 IHSA Membership Renewal; and
- Delete audio recordings dated October 15, 2019 & October 22, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones announced that the election authority has provided us with the abstract of votes cast at the April 6, 2021 consolidated election. The number of votes received by each candidate in the election is as follows and will serve the four-year term of office:

Katie Pratt	267
Elsa Payne	258
Rory White	244

Katie, Elsa and Rory read the Oath of Office simultaneously. They were congratulated and seated.

Reorganization of the Board was the next agenda item to be addressed. Nicole Jones served as president pro tempore officer.

Nicole Jones opened the floor to nominations for the office of President. Nicole Jones was nominated. There being no further nominations, Jones declared herself elected to the office of School Board President by acclamation.

President Jones opened the floor to nominations for the office of Vice-President. Katie Pratt was nominated. There being no further nominations, President Jones declared Katie Pratt elected to the office of Vice-President by acclamation.

Nominations were then taken for the office of Secretary. Elsa Payne was nominated. There being no further nominations, President Jones declared Elsa Payne elected to the office of Secretary by acclamation. All of the above terms of office will serve until April of 2023.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by White to approve the regular Board of Education meeting dates and times, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nichols reviewed the financial reports and shared information on the Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds (ESSER).

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

Principals Joyce Schamberger, Andrew Full and Janet Crownhart reported on curriculum & school improvement, PBIS, and school activities. Included with these reports was a list of items that the high school would like to declare as surplus.

For his report, Superintendent Nichols reported that maintenance remains busy. The wall seating in the Central School gym was routered smooth and sealed. And, the building project continues to progress.

Received first reading of the 2021-2022 fee schedule.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Pratt to approve the low bid of Turftamers of West Brooklyn, IL for mowing services for a one-year term. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to approve the quote from Midwest Educational Furnishings, Inc. for library furniture, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Pratt and seconded by Payne to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Community Unit School District #220 for professional services, as presented. This is a shared services agreement between Amboy, Creston, AFC, Stillman Valley, Rochelle, and Oregon. Oregon is the host of the agreement and the expectation that through grants, purchasing, and shared services that this position will create more value than its cost. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:47 p.m., a motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by Payne 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; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:10 p.m., a motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Pratt to approve the suspensions of students 4-22-21-1 through 4-22-21-10, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to approve Amie Wiseman as District Librarian for the 2021-2022 school year and to approve the employment of Olivia Miller as summer help. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones announced the upcoming dates:

Finance Meeting - Thursday, April 29, 2021 - AHS, Room 105 - 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, May 18, 2021 - Central School - 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by White to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elsa Payne, Secretary

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Nicole Jones, President

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE MEETING OF THE  
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272 BOARD OF EDUCATION  
THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.  
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL ROOM 105**

President Jones called the finance meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present except Leffelman and Pratt. Also present were Joshua Nichols and Joe Haka.

President Jones announced that the election authority has provided the abstract of votes cast at the April 6, 2021 consolidated election. Amanda Powers received 245 votes for the four-year term of office.

Newly elected board member, Amanda (Mandy) Powers read the Oath of Office. She was congratulated and seated.

A motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by White to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elsa Payne, Secretary

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Nicole Jones, President

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

- B. Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
  - A. Review of Financial Reports
  - B. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
  - A. Principal Reports



**Amoy High School  
Principal's Report  
April 22, 2021  
Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



**Curriculum and School Improvement**

- The May Student of the Month is Maggie Lowery!
- Students are getting signed up for summer school. We have 16 students signed up to take 32 classes.
- Work has begun on Transitional ELA through the ROE in conjunction with SVCC.
- The Ed Pathway team met with the ROE on May 11th and then as an Amoy team on May 12th to begin planning the work needed for the Pathway grant.
- AP tests were and will be held on May 11th, 18th, 19th, and 20th.

**School Activities**

- Prom was held on May 8th. Homecoming court was Joe Ackert, Brady Jones, Preston Henkel, Trevor Vaessen, Lane Boehle, Madelyn McLaughlin, Brianna Blaine, Gabby Jones, Mallory Powers, Eden Lindenmeyer. King and Queen were Joe Ackert and Madelyn McLaughlin.
- The National Honor Society donated \$300 worth of puzzles and craft supplies to Heritage Square in Dixon. They also donated \$250 to Teen Turf.
- FFA held an open house on May 2nd.
- AHS Staff and students participated in Denim Week to bring awareness to sexual assault victims. The high school donated \$520.20 to the YWCA.
- We would like to thank everyone for their generosity for Teacher Appreciation Week! We had goodies all week along with the gifts from the board. Thank you to everyone who thought of us!
- The FFA Parli Pro team competed at the state contest Saturday, May 15th



Amboy Jr. High School  
Principal's Report  
May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Submitted by: Andrew Full

**Curriculum and School Improvement:**

- On Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> the School Improvement team met with Anji Garza from the ROE to discuss the following topics: amending the budget to allocate money, end of the year dates, agenda for our next meeting, and summer trainings.
- On Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> a faculty meeting was held to discuss the IAR and changes for next year. Discussion about teachers' appreciation week, virtual voyage, and grades was had. Amie Wiseman came in and reviewed the technology subscriptions that will be renewed for the upcoming school year.
- On Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> the School Improvement team met with Anji Garza from the ROE to discuss the following topics: finalize budget, summer meeting dates, significant send off, rotations, and grades.
- A faculty meeting was held on Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss plans for the last week of school.

**PBIS:**

- On Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> we held our monthly PBIS celebration/assembly over Google Meets and the following awards were handed out:
  - Students of the Month-
    - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Faith Fenwick and Kahne Skibbe
    - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- Madisyn Heath and Ryan Garcia
    - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade- Emilie Reed-Dempsey and Olivia Ketchum
    - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Emersyn Noble and Atticus Goff
    - P.E.- Alexa McKendry and Gavin Eisenberg
  - Clipper P.R.I.D.E.- Wyatt Eisenberg, AJ Fisher, Carissa McRoberts, Callan Christoffersen, Tyler Mahar, Ayla Costner, Caleb Shugars, Nico Warner, Ty Florschuetz, Tinley Whitney, Lane Goff, Adrian Mimini, Dominic Fonderoli, Alena Shaw, Josh McKendry, Karagen Welch, Owen Althaus, Lily Montantes, Tyrah Vaessen, Abby Hicks, and Jason Hemmen.
  - Faculty and Staff Recognition Winners- Mrs. Arly Kaecker and Mrs. Katie Henkel
  - Students also got to pick envelopes for Fannie May sales, money was handed out to top sellers, and Henry Klein received \$1,000 after his name was drawn for a multi-school drawing.

### **School Activities:**

- AJHS track competed at Sectionals on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> and the following athletes placed:
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Placed 5<sup>th</sup>  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Placed 3<sup>rd</sup>  
7<sup>th</sup> Isabella Yanos- 2<sup>nd</sup> 100M, 1<sup>st</sup> 200M  
7<sup>th</sup> Madison Althaus- 2<sup>nd</sup> 400M  
7<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 4x100- Lily Leffelman, Alexa McKendry, Stephanie Nave, Isabella Yanos  
8<sup>th</sup> Cierra Kessel- 3<sup>rd</sup> 100M, 2<sup>nd</sup> 400M  
8<sup>th</sup> Natalie Pratt- 2<sup>nd</sup> 800M  
8<sup>th</sup> Karagen Welch- 3<sup>rd</sup> 800M  
8<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4x200- Cierra Kessel, Gloria Parker, Natalie Pratt, Karagen Welch  
  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Placed 8<sup>th</sup>  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Placed 1<sup>st</sup>!!!!  
7<sup>th</sup> Nick Noble- 1<sup>st</sup> 800M  
8<sup>th</sup> Josh McKendry- 1<sup>st</sup> 100M, 1<sup>st</sup> 200M, 1<sup>st</sup> Discus  
8<sup>th</sup> Caleb Yanos- 3<sup>rd</sup> 100M, 2<sup>nd</sup> 200M  
8<sup>th</sup> Quinn Leffelman- 3<sup>rd</sup> Discus, 1<sup>st</sup> 110M Hurdles  
8<sup>th</sup> Michael Shoemaker- 3<sup>rd</sup> 800M  
8<sup>th</sup> Jaden Haley- 2<sup>nd</sup> 1600M  
8<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 4x100- Nick Noble, Quinn Leffelman, Josh McKendry, Caleb Yanos
- On Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> AJHS held their yearly severe weather drill.
- On Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup> AJHS held their third and final fire drill.
- Quinn Leffelman and Tyrah Vaessen were chosen to receive the IPA Student Leadership Award.

# AMBOY DISTRICT Pre-4 Principal Report Joyce Schamberger May 2021

## School Improvement:

- The SIP day on May 24<sup>th</sup>, Student of the month awards were handed out and our Annual End of the Year Awards by grade level. The afternoon will provide teachers time to post grades as per contractual agreement.

## PBIS:

- Students will walk to Meusel's Dairy Delite for an end of the year ice cream treat on May 26<sup>th</sup> after eating lunch.

## School Activities:

- The Annual Track and Field day was held on Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Chris Payne, PE teacher planned all games and activities.
- Congratulations to 4th grade students Parker Zimmerly and Isabelle Klein. They were chosen as the recipients of the Illinois Principals Association Student Leadership Award representing Amboy Central School.
- Thank you to all of the parents who donated food items and soda pop to our lounge for Teacher Appreciation Week. It was greatly appreciated.
- Kindergarten Screenings were held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Second round of preschool screenings were held May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.



## B. Superintendent Reports

5. Discussion: First Reading of 2021-2022 Student Handbooks
6. Action: 2021-2022 Fee Schedule
7. Action: Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreements
8. Action: Resolution for Preparation of Tentative Budget
9. Action: Early Childhood Intergovernmental Agreement
10. Action: Office Furniture Quote
11. Action: Central School Architect Agreement
12. Action: Chromebooks Quote
13. Action: Executive Session
14. Action: Return to Open Session
15. Action: Student Discipline
16. Action: Early Graduation
17. Action: Personnel
18. Action: High School Unit Ventilator & Exhaust Fan Replacements Quote
19. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment