

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

Thursday, September 23, 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. Action: Public Hearing on 2021-2022 Budget
  - C. 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, AUGUST 24, 2021, AT 7:00 P.M.  
AMBOY CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM**

President Jones called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present except Nichole Stenzel and Rory White. Also present were Joshua Nichols, Yvonne Vicks, Janet Crownhart, Andrew Full, Joyce Schamberger, and Jenny Apple.

The floor was opened to comments from the public. Yvonne Vicks thanked all that helped move classroom items to the new junior high and expressed how excited the junior high teachers are to be in a new building.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Payne to approve the following consent agenda item(s):

- Minutes of the July 15, 2021, open & closed regular board meetings;
- Minutes of the August 5, 2021 open & closed finance meetings; and
- Delete audio recordings dated February 19, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nichols shared that the district has received \$2,932,900 of the anticipated revenue for the year and \$42,874 in sales tax revenue. The district has used 13% or \$2,637,945 this fiscal year noting that the operating funds' expenditures are where we anticipate them being.

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

The Principals commended all for all the work in getting the buildings ready for the school year and reported on curriculum and school improvement, school activities, PBIS, and building activities.

Superintendent Nichols started his report by thanking students, staff, and board members that helped move the junior high teachers into their classrooms. Extra thank you went out to the custodians that worked the weekend to get the buildings ready for the first student day. This was an exciting day for all. He continued with an update on the building project and operations and maintenance information.

A motion was made by Pratt and seconded by Leffelman to approve the Illinois Association of School Boards policy revisions, as presented. The main revisions are on criminal convictions and disqualification in the hiring process and Student Online Personal Protection Act (SOPPA) policy. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Leffelman to approve the Return to Learn Plan, as presented. This reflects the governor's mask mandate and how to handle students who refuse to wear them. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:25 p.m., a motion was made by Powers and seconded by Payne to move to executive session to discuss 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; and the placement of individual students in special education

programs and other matters relating to individual students;. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

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

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Pratt to accept and approve the following:

- Resignation of Kristy Willstead as Paraprofessional.
- Employment of Sara Krabbenhoeft as 6th Grade ELA Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Employment of Amy Keener as 240-Day Custodian, effective August 16, 2021.
- Employment of Robert Beaty as Bus Driver, effective August 11, 2021.
- Employment of Lorna Bonnell as Bus Driver, effective August 19, 2021.
- Employment of Sarah Jo Hindriks as Bus Aide, effective August 16, 2021.
- Updated high school extra-curricular positions, as presented.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones announced upcoming dates: Regular Board Meeting - Thursday, September 23, 2021 - 7:00 p.m. - Central School.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made at 8:12 p.m. by Leffelman and seconded by Powers to adjourn the meeting. 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



Amboy Jr. High School  
Principal's Report  
September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021  
Submitted by: Andrew Full

**Curriculum and School Improvement:**

- On Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, the SIP Team met with Anji Garza from the ROE to discuss the following topics: budgeting funds for the EMPOWER 1003(a) grant, meeting calendar, department meetings, grade level meetings, STAR, EasyCBM, and RtI Handbook.
- On Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, each grade level met for two class periods to discuss students, data, and upcoming events.
- On Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, we had our first SIP Day. The ELA teachers participated in a Wit & Wisdom training. Other content areas were able to meet as a department and time was given to complete mandated trainings.
- On Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Schabacker and Ms. Jones attended a training on the use of Bridges.
- On Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Bulfer attended a training on CPI in Byron at OCEC.
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**PBIS:**

- On Tuesday, August 24, students went through Basic Training to learn what is expected of them in regards to their actions/behaviors in certain parts of the school and bus.
- On Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, we had our first PBIS assembly and handed out the following awards:
  - Students of the Month:
    - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Landon Jackson and Kinsley Pogue
    - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- Faith Fenwick and Amylia Bump
    - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade- Lily Leffelman and Aaron Costner

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Tucker McCoy and Olivia Ketchum
  - P.E.- Landon Roath and Rylan McNinch
- Clipper P.R.I.D.E.- Kaylee Zimmerman, Mason Morris, Michael Hood, Bradley Schmidt, Anthony Sus, Macie Muro, Owen Dallam, Ellie McLaughlin, Kaitlyn Dempsey, Henry Nichols, Gavin Spinelli, Landon Donna, Charlotte Patterson, Aaron Costner, Jasmine Scott, Hope Lauzon, Aiden Spinelli, Caylee Hummel, Aubrey Wells, Jose Lopez, Liam Ketchum, and Julius Arteaga.
- On Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, students received their first orders by purchasing items in return for the Clipper P.R.I.D.E. good behavior tickets.

### **School Activities:**

- Also, during our PBIS Assembly SEL groups presented their service learning projects for this year.
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Selling candy to raise money for animal shelters.
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- Sponsoring good day Fridays. Handing out candy and playing upbeat music on the Friday after SIP days.
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade- Putting together care packages for servicemen and women.
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- AJHS Newsletter and also purchasing plants for each classroom.
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Hosting a Relay for Life in the Spring.
- The AJHS 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball teams competed at the Montmorency Tournament. 7<sup>th</sup> grade finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade finished 1<sup>st</sup>.
- During the week of September 13<sup>th</sup>, students participated in a Spirit Week that coincided with Homecoming.
- Students completed their Fall Benchmark testing on STAR and EasyCBM the week of September 13<sup>th</sup>.

Principal Report PreK - 4  
Joyce Schamberger  
September 2021

**School Improvement/Professional Development:**

- K-4 ELA teachers attended a Zoom training on Wit & Wisdom.
- Benchmark testing on all students K-4 will be done the week of Sept 20-27.

**PBIS:**

- The Prize Closet for Central School students to purchase using Camp Cash is being stocked by suggestions from students and teachers. Central School PTC will support the PBIS program.
- During the Sept. 13 assembly students were recognized for Camper of the Month. Mrs. Russell spoke to the students about the yearlong Book-It Theme and reading goals. The assembly ended with a sing-a-long camp song led by Mrs. Schamberger!
- We had a dress up week in honor of Homecoming!

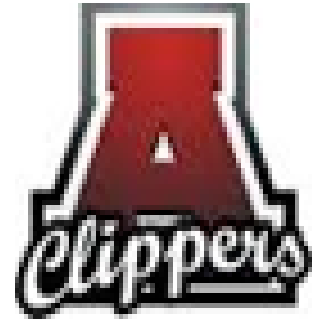
**School Activities:**

- The Second Step presentations began weekly and in person with Edie Peterson from the YWCA of the Sauk Valley. This program presents programs on Social Emotional Learning.
- Mr. Joe Jahn trained our students in bus evacuation as part of the required drills. We also held a fire drill.
- Mrs. Goslin has started a Drawing/Art Club. There are 4 sessions for students and all sessions are full. Emphasis is on drawing and not crafts.
- Central PTC will be holding a Donuts with Dad on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> on the blacktop area outside. Coffee, donuts, milk/juice will be offered as a free will donation. This is open to all VIP's for students from Preschool through 4<sup>th</sup> grade from 7:15a.m-8:15am.
- Our school held a fundraiser called Book Blast. Families and friends were invited to make donations for library books for students and for our school.





**Amboy High School  
Principal's Report  
September 23rd, 2021  
Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



### **Curriculum and School Improvement**

- Student of the Month was Lauren Tarr!!
- The September 14th School Improvement day teachers met to discuss the next chapter of the book study, *Significant 72*. We also worked on mandated trainings, getting SLO's set up and ready to go, and started to work through the Job Fair we will hold in October.
- English Department teachers had training on StudySync on Sept 14th in the afternoon.
- Mrs. Bulfer and Mrs. Crownhart attended CPI refresher training in Byron on September 15th.

### **School Activities**

- Homecoming Week started off with the Seniors winning Powder Puff on Sunday afternoon. Then fresh/soph football, volleyball, cross country, and golf had meets and games throughout the week.
  - Sept 13th we held a pep assembly in the morning and homecoming court was announced.
    - Natalie Pratt & Quinn Leffelman
    - Maeve Larson & Brennan Blaine
    - Courtney Ortgiesen & Kelton Schwamberger
    - Lauren Althaus, Abigail Christoffersen, Lexi Morgan, Baylie Nickel, Kenzie Nickel, Lauren Richardson, Jairon Hochstatter, Andruw Jones, Haden McCoy, Sam Russell, & Hayden Wittenauer
  - King and Queen were crowned Thursday night
    - Haden McCoy and Lauren Althaus
  - We welcomed 216 students at our Homecoming Dance Saturday night. Also thanks to our judges for floats, hallways, and skits. Here are the final results and our overall places for Homecoming.
    - Hallway: Freshmen in 4th, Sophomores in 3rd, Juniors in 2nd, and Seniors in 1st



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- Skit: Juniors in 4th, Sophomores in 3rd, Freshmen in 2nd, and Seniors in 1st
  - Float: Juniors in 4th, Freshmen in 3rd, Seniors in 2nd, and Sophomores in 1st
  - Our overall Homecoming places are: Juniors in 4th, Freshmen in 3rd, Sophomores in 2nd, and Seniors in 1st
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- P.R.I.D.E Awards were handed to those that went above and beyond the expectations of high school students
    - Kain Ketchum, Emily Sachs, Wes Wilson, Jarrett Dempsey, Brennan Blaine, Aislinn Zitelman, Tyrah Vaessen, Hayleigh Stenzel, Lauren Richardson, Serenity Munk, Mason Ely, Aaliyah Pointer, Sierra Rhodes, Elizabeth Malach, Dillon Merriman, Dana Merriman, Valeria Salgado

### **Building Activities**

- Bus Evacuation Drill was held on September 14th.

B. Superintendent Reports

5. Action: Memorandum of Agreement between Amboy CUSD #272 & Amboy Education Association
6. Action: School Maintenance Project Grant Application
7. Action: Executive Session
8. Action: Return to Open Session
9. Action: Early Graduation
10. Action: Student Discipline
11. Action: Central School Art Club Stipend
12. Action: Personnel
13. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment