

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

Tuesday, November 16, 2021  
7:00 PM

Amboy Junior High School  
Cafeteria  
240 N Metcalf Avenue  
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 19, 2021 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, Melissa Mills, Yvonne Vicks, Kaylee Jones, Ashley Platz, Stacey Dinges, Ben Schott, Janet Crownhart, Andrew Full, and Joyce Schamberger.

President Jones opened the floor for public comments. Stacey Dinges announced that Amboy was awarded the Education Pathway Grant. Education is just one of 17 Pathways a student can choose. She provided an overview of the program. Melissa Mills created and presented the Amboy CUSD #272 PaCE (Postsecondary and Career Expectations). Ashley Platz shared how the junior high incorporates career exploration. Ben Schott shared how he's teaching junior high students about finances. Yvonne Vicks and Kaylee Jones presented the junior high fall RtI, reading, and math data and data analysis.

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

- Minutes of the September 23, 2021, Open & Closed Regular Board Meetings; and
- Delete audio recordings dated April 23, 2020.

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, 2021, 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 White to approve the Annual Financial Audit Report as of June 30, 2021, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nichols reviewed the financial reports as presented.

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

Principals Joyce Schamberger, Andrew Full. and Janet Crownhart reported on school improvement, curriculum, PBIS, and student activities.

Superintendent Nichols gave a shout out to the Lee County Officer and the Amboy Police for their participation in the law enforcement drill. He continued with an update on the building project then shared that Ken Willey and Mike Smith have started winterizing the old junior high and the circulating pump in the high school failed and needs to be replaced.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Pratt to approve the Orkin Agreement, as presented. This is the treatment agreement for the termites found in the Central School building. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by White and seconded by Powers to approve the S.G. Krauss Co. change order, as presented. This is the additional cost for steel powder coated railings at exterior walkways/stair.

Superintendent Nichols recommends option 2 (\$107,916.00) for the fact of low maintenance of the aluminum and it's available for fabrication and installation. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:32 p.m., a motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by White 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; collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 9:24 p.m., a motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by White to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Powers and seconded by Stenzel to approve the suspensions of students 10-19-21-1 through 10-19-21-7, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by White and seconded by Powers for the following personnel:

- To accept the verbal resignation from Cindy Mundell as Assistant Head Cook at the Junior High School, effective September 24, 2021.
- To approve the employment of Whitney Miller as Counselor at the High School, effective November 1, 2021.
- To approve Trese McNinch as 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year.
- To approve Anthony Wells as 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones announced upcoming dates:

Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 7:00 p.m. – High School

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by White and seconded by Powers to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elsa Payne, Secretary

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Katie Pratt, Vice-President

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

- B. Delete Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
  - A. Review of Financial Reports
  - B. 2021 Tentative Tax Levy & Set Public Hearing Date
  - C. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
  - A. Principal Reports

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# Amboy Central School Principal Report Joyce Schamberger November 2021

## School Improvement:

- Central School staff along with Deputy Kyle Kellen from the Lee County Sheriff's Dept. and Officer Terry Lester, Amboy Police Dept. helped train students on dangerous intruders in the school. A short video was 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.
- During the November SIP training, Terry Camplain and Stephanie White from Chana Education Center presented on the ACES program.

## School Activities:

- Book It Incentive party for those who made their November reading goals will be a Camping BINGO. Each month those students who make their reading goals will receive a reward.
- Central School PTC is hosting an on-line Book Fair from November 8-21<sup>st</sup>. Go to [www.scholastic.com/bf/amboycentralschool](http://www.scholastic.com/bf/amboycentralschool)





Amboy Jr. High School  
Principal's Report  
November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Submitted by: Andrew Full

**Curriculum and School Improvement:**

- On Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> the SIP team met with Anji Garza from the ROE to discuss the following topics: 1003(a) grant, department and grade level team meetings, data, and special education.
- On Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> grade levels met for two class periods to discuss students, data, and plan for upcoming events.
- On Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup> we held our armed intruder drill with students. Office Kellen went through a presentation and then teachers met with all their classes to discuss what they would do in certain situations.

**PBIS:**

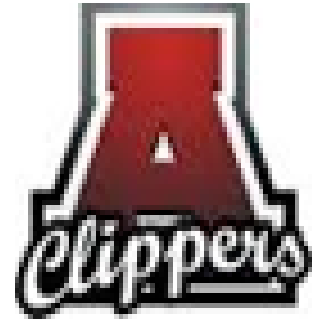
- On Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, we held our PBIS assembly and handed out the following awards:
  - Students of the Month: (I will update this at the board meeting)
    - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Isabelle Klein and Cooper Welch
    - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- Kaylee Zimmerman and Bella Daly
    - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade- Leighton Gulley and Tanner Welch
    - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Victor Lopez-Belmontes and Devyn Cheever
    - P.E.- Erika Decker and Ian Hassler
  - Clipper P.R.I.D.E.- Grace Althaus, Cooper Whitney, Parker Williams, Bella Daly, Tinley Whitney, Emily Reed-Dempsey, Braden Shoemaker, Myla Davis, Tucker McCoy, Dakota Beach, Rosemary Trujillo, Andrew Hummel, Owen Althaus, Jaron Wittenauer, Madelyn Clarida, Jadon Ridings, Gianna Dempsey, Gabby Miller, and Leighton Gulley.
  - Speech Team awards were handed out.

### **School Activities:**

- AJHS Speech Team competed on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - Michael Hood for earning a 2nd place ranking in the category Storytelling - A Spooky Story
  - Aaron Costner for earning a 1st place ranking in the Individual Event category - A Wolf Tale by Ken Bradbury
  - Morgan Kreiser for earning a 1st place ranking in the Individual Event category - My Sister by Margaret Kluver Wells
- On Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> teachers did various activities in their SEL classes for Veterans Day.
- On Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Foster's SEL class did a 5K in the morning and collected donations to give to Dark Horse Lodge in Tennessee, a place of retreat and refuge for combat veterans. The following students help raise \$1,952.51: Emily Reed-Dempsey, Ellie McLaughlin, Kiara Karlson, Brittlyn Whitman, Peyton Payne, Lily Montantes, Samantha Nauman, Grace Althaus, Victor Lopez-Belmontes, Rylan McNinch, Devyn Cheever, Ezra Parker, Kayla Oury, Carissa McRoberts, Micah Miller, Tucker McCoy, Javion Greene, AJ Fisher, and Kaitlyn Dempsey.



**Amboy High School  
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Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



### **Curriculum and School Improvement**

- Student of the Month was Ian Eller!!
- Mrs. Crownhart and Mrs. Bulfer attended the IPA conference in Peoria on Oct 25 & 26. Most of the sessions were on how to take care of yourself after the pandemic.

### **School Activities**

- Oct 18th we held a College and Career Fair. Students walked around and could visit up to 43 vendors. Students who met with at least 10 vendors and learned something from each of them were entered into a drawing for Casey's Gift Cards. Winners were: Austin Shuggars, Jared Althaus, Nick Corcoran, Nathan Sikes, Madison Nunn, Emma Dinges, Addison Pertell, Trey Payne, Dana Merriman, Marie Shaw, Cordia Acensio, Nataly Pratt, Val Vasquez, Michael Shoemaker, Robert Raymond, Bryson Full, Karlos Rivera, Cole Beckham, Atticus Goff, Trevyn Skibbe.
- We honored veteran's day on Nov 11 by holding a moment of silence in the morning as well as students
- We held a SIP day on Nov 15th. Students participated in the Armed Intruder drill in the morning as well as holding our Clipper Pride awards.
  - Last months Clipper PRIDE awards were awarded to
    - Brooklyn Strub, Gabe Jones, Abbe Christofferson, Reed Barnes, Andruw Jones, Jarrett Althaus, Liz Clarida, Sidney Lewis, Alainie Wittenauer, Trevyn Skibbe, Dana Merriman, Kenley Wilson, Bradley Dinwiddie, Oivia Costner, Eddy Jones, Cordia Asencio, Chanlor Pohl, Nich Ochoa, Phillip Stewart, Addison Shaw and the Faculty Award winner Sam Volkert, a student teacher with Mrs. Rose
  - A pep assembly was held during the day to honor all sports who just finished as well as the winter sports getting started. Then students were able to choose a location - microwave cooking, playing board or card games, weightlifting, studying, bags, etc.



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**Building Activities**

- The Cross country team finished their season with the boys team going to state and Brock Loftus won the sectional title!
- Football team had a great first year playing 8-man and we are looking forward to another great season next year.
- Fall play, Plan 9 From Outer Space, was held on Nov 12,13,14. Great job by the cast and crew! Mrs Cleary, Mr Kerley, Mr Heavner and the ag construction class: great job at putting it on and getting it ready!

B. Superintendent Reports

5. Discussion: First Reading of the Illinois Association of School Boards Policy Revisions
6. Action: Snow Removal Bid
7. Action: WiFi System for Buses Quote
8. Action: Executive Session
9. Action: Return to Open Session
10. Action: Memorandum of Understanding between Amboy CUSD #272 & Amboy Education Association
11. Action: Student Discipline
12. Action: Personnel
13. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment