

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

Thursday, December 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. Public Hearing on Tax Levy for 2021
 - 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, NOVEMBER 16, 2021, AT 7:00 P.M.
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

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

The floor was opened to comments from the audience. There were none.

A motion was made by Powers and seconded by White to approve the following consent agenda item(s): Minutes of the October 19, 2021, open & closed regular board meetings; and delete audio recordings dated May 14, 2020. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nichols reviewed the finance reports. The district has received \$9,911,728 of the anticipated revenue for the year and \$175,324 in sales tax revenue. For expenditures, \$8,872,116 has been used this fiscal year.

Superintendent Nichols presented the tentative tax levy. Local revenue represents an estimated 83% of the district's anticipated revenue. This year's request represents a 4.99% increase which is under the truth in taxation cap.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by White to approve the tentative tax levy for the year 2021, as presented, and to set a public hearing date for Thursday, December 16, 2021, 7:00 p.m., at the Junior High School. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

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

The next order of business was Principal Reports. Janet Crownhart, Andrew Full and Joyce Schamberger shared current curriculum and school improvement information, PBIS, and school activities.

For his Superintendent Report, Nichols gave an update on the building project and staying positive on having everything completed by the open house. He announced that the state's school report card has come out but due to the pandemic, a large amount of information was impacted. We are still considered a tier 3 district. He continued his report by sharing how the maintenance department has been busy transitioning the buildings from the cooling season to the heating season.

The first reading of the Illinois Association of School Boards Policy Revisions were received.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to accept the bid from Outdoor Property Services for snow removal services for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented. This was the only bid received. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Payne to approve the quote from CDW-G LLC for a wifi system for the buses, as presented. This is for the hardware and three years of the monitoring software. This does not cover the service through a wireless provider. Motion carried with five yea votes and one nay vote.

At 7:43 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; collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 9:11 p.m., a motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by White to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by White to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Amboy CUSD #272 and the Amboy Education Association regarding remote teaching and learning, as presented. This would allow teachers to begin teaching remotely after three days due to a COVID-19 related leave. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by White to approve the suspensions of students 11-16-21-1 through 11-16-21-10, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to approve and accept the following: resignation of Whitney Miller as Counselor at the High School; resignation of Shauna Dinges as 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach; employment of Rebecca Lopez as Paraprofessional at Central School, effective October 20, 2021; hire Lindsey Kaleel as 5th & 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach; hire Emma Lindenmeyer as Sophomore Girls Basketball Coach; verbal resignation from Anthony Wells as 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach; and verbal resignation from Ben Schott as Junior High Boys Track Coach. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Vice-President Pratt announced upcoming date: Regular School Board Meeting - Thursday, December 16, 2021 – Junior High School – 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsa Payne, Secretary

Nicole Jones, President

Approved: _____

- B. Confidential Executive Session Minutes
- C. Delete Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
 - A. Review of Financial Reports
 - B. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
 - A. Principal Reports

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**Amboy High School
Principal's Report
December 16th, 2021
Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



Curriculum and School Improvement

- Student of the Month is Olivia Dinges
- Mrs. Bulfer attended a virtual conference on Students Mental Health on December 9th.

School Activities

- Last months Clipper PRIDE awards were awarded to
 - Grace Royer, Maeve Larson, Courtney Lachat, Jairon Hochstatter, Saydee Benevidez, Haidyn Zimmerly, Jackson Rogers, Brooklyn Strub, Madilynn Jones, Alexa Morris, Sierra Rhodes, Gloria Parker, Cordia Asencio, Natalie Pratt, Emma Dinges, Jacob Doege, Atticus Goff, Garrett Pertell, Sam Russell
 - Staff Shout-out goes to Danielle Benesh
- Mrs. Cleary held a Hand Turkey Contest before Thanksgiving. Winners of the Hand Turkey decorating contest were: Olivia Costner, Vanessa Allevan, and Michael Dusing.
- The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony was held on November 21st.
- Students are busy getting ready for final exams, picking courses for final exam exemptions, and finalizing schedules for 2nd semester.

Building Activities

- Winter Music Concert was held on December 5th
- Winter sports are in full swing, boys and girls basketball and wrestling
- The Ag Construction and STEM classes made trinkets for the Christmas Walk on December 11th.



Amboy Jr. High School
Principal's Report
December 16th, 2021
Submitted by: Andrew Full

Curriculum and School Improvement:

- On Wednesday, December 1st the SIP team met with Anji Garza from the ROE and the following topics were discussed: 1003(a) budget, department and grade level meetings, goals, special education, and Significant 24.
- On Wednesday, December 8th grade levels met for two class periods to discuss students, data, and plan for upcoming events.
- Mr. Full attended the Rock River Valley Conference meeting on Tuesday, November 30th. The Athletic Directors from each school voted to have AJHS join the conference for 5th-8th grade boys basketball, girls basketball, and volleyball.

PBIS:

- On Wednesday, December 22nd, we held our PBIS assembly and handed out the following awards:
 - o Students of the Month: (I will update this at the board January meeting)
 - 5th Grade-
 - 6th Grade-
 - 7th Grade-
 - 8th Grade-
 - P.E.-
 - o Clipper P.R.I.D.E.-
- Names were drawn for winter benchmarking prizes.
- Fannie May drawing was held and cash envelopes were handed out.

School Activities:

- Student Council hosted a canned food drive during the week of December 6th and _____ cans were collected.

- Starting Tuesday, December 7th Student Council has put together the 12 days before break dress up day, which we have been celebrating.
- Girls Basketball for grades 5th-8th has started with around 45 players. The coaches are Adri Whitney, Trese McNinch, and Lindsey Kaleel

Amboy Central School
Principal Report
Joyce Schamberger
DECEMBER 2021

PBIS:

- On December 22nd, Central the office will hand out “Camper of the Week” Awards to those students who were students of the week.
- On December 21st, Central School will have movies, donuts, and hot chocolate for their 2nd Quarter Incentive Celebration for PBIS. They also held their class parties the morning of Dec. 22nd. Students who met their December reading goals were able to earn an opportunity to make a tent over their desks.

RTI:

- The RTI committee met on Dec. 17 to discuss and review the RTI Handbook we created. Three data points have been collected after the winter benchmarking and the team looked at each individual’s scores for proper placement into the three tiers.

School Activities:

- The Central Christmas Concert was held on December 10th in the new AHS gym. Students in grades Preschool through 4th grade performed songs. Thank you to Mrs. Amy Schwamberger for doing this.
- The Canned Food Drive was very successful. The canned goods were collected for the Amboy Fire Dept and picked up on Dec. 10th.



B. Superintendent Reports

5. Action Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) Policy Revisions
6. Action: Resolution abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2021 to pay debt service on the General Obligation School Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019A, of the Amboy Community Unit School District #272, Lee County, Illinois
7. Action: Resolution to Set Public Hearing Date for Transfer of Funds
8. Action: Rock River Valley Conference
9. Action: Outdoor Classroom Bid
10. Action: Executive Session
11. Action: Return to Open Session
12. Action: Daily Sub Pay
13. Action: Student Discipline
14. Action: Personnel
15. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment