

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

Thursday, October 20, 2022
6:30 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
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M.
CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM**

President Jones called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. All board members were present except Powers. Also present were Joshua Nichols, Yvonne Vicks, George Howe, Janet Crownhart, Andrew Full, Joyce Schamberger, and Jenny Apple.

President Jones opened the public hearing regarding the 2022-2023 budget. The tentative budget that was presented in August has been on display as required by law. Superintendent Nichols discussed that he updated it to reflect changes in grant budgets, potential CPPRT revenue, updated evidence-based funding, and a few budget expenses. The floor was opened to comments and/or questions from the audience. There were none. There were no comments and /or questions from the board. President Jones declared the public hearing closed.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Leffelman to adopt the 2022-2023 budget, as presented, and to establish the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2022, and ending on June 31, 2023. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones opened the floor for public comments. Principal Full shared the information he found after contacting a few other schools that are in the Little Ten Conference soccer program. Katie Pratt gave a brief update on Strategic Planning.

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

- Minutes of the August 4, 2022 open finance meeting;
- Minutes of the August 18, 2022 open & closed regular board meetings; and
- Delete audio recordings dated March 6, 2021 & March 18, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

For his financial report, Superintendent Nichols shared that the district has received \$7,075,294 or 52% of the anticipated revenue for the year and \$88,669 in sales tax revenue. The district has used 17% or \$2,661,386 this fiscal year.

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

Principal Full, Principal Crownhart, and Principal Schamberger reported on their curriculum and school improvement, school activities, building activities, and PBIS.

Superintendent Nichols reported on the following: 1) Received one FOIA request from SmartProcure. 2) Central School playground was installed and outdoor classroom is completed. 3) Fire Alarm was pulled at dismissal time at Central School. 4) New stove and ovens are working at Central School.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Pratt to approve the School Maintenance Project Grant Application, as presented. Superintendent Nichols is applying for this grant so we can use the additional \$50,000 towards the high school boiler replacement. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 6:53 p.m., a motion was made by Leffelman 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; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:18 p.m., a motion was made by Pratt and seconded by White to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Anna Willis was present for the remainder of the meeting.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Pratt to approve early graduation for student #23070, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Leffelman and seconded by Stenzel to approve the suspensions of students 9-15-22-1 through 9-15-22-18, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by White to approve Robbie Riley as Transportation Director, effective September 8, 2022 and Melissa Mills as Credit Recovery Advisor for Fall and Spring and to accept the resignation of Katheryn Karpinski as Cook, effective September 29, 2022. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones announced upcoming dates:

Regular Board Meeting, Thursday, October 20, 2022, Junior High, 6:30 p.m.

Northwest Division Hybrid Meeting, Monday, October 24, 2022, Scales Mound CUSD 211, 6:00 p.m. or Virtual, 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business to bring before the board, a motion was made by Pratt and seconded by Leffelman to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsa Payne, Secretary

Nicole Jones, President

Approved: _____

- B. Delete Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
 - A. Presentation of Audit by Ryan Steines of Winkel, Parker & Foster, CPA PC
 - B. 2022 Annual Financial Audit Report
 - C. Review of Financial Reports
 - D. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
 - A. Principal Reports

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**Amboy High School
Principal's Report
October 2022
Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



Curriculum and School Improvement

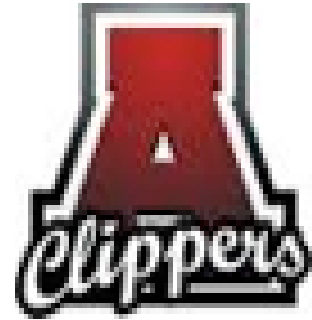
- Student of the Month was Kelton Schwamberger!!
- Miss Quirarte attended the counselor luncheon on October 7th at Whiteside Area Career Center.
- Freshmen students took the PSAT9 on October 13th. Students who meet or exceed on the test for the ELA and/or Math portions will be allowed to exempt from that subject final exam in December.
- 1st Quarter ended on October 14th. Progress reports were mailed out on Tuesday, October 18th.

School Activities

- Picture Retakes were held on October 12th.
- The College and Career Fair was held on September 26th. We had about 50 businesses present and thank them for taking the time out of the busy schedule to join us.
- Clipper Pride Awards were handed out on September 26th with awards going to:
 - Kelton Schwamberger, Haleigh Stenzel, James Curl, Jarrett Althaus, Vanessa Allevan, Ryan Dickinson, Brennan Blaine, Nich Ochoa, Alex Palmer, Addison Pertell, Mylee Hochstatter, Emilie Reed-Dempsey, Courtney Lachat, Jarrett Dempsey, Ryan Dickinson, Cierra Kessel, Alainie Wittenauer, Alexzandra Vaessen, Kaden Kelly, Austin Shugars.
 - Staff Award: Liz Scriven
- During homeroom this month students have been working on the next few social-emotional learning (SEL) lessons as well as Xello. Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors were able to connect their College Board accounts to Khan Academy.



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October 2022
Submitted by: Janet Crownhart**



- Homecoming was the week of Sept 25th. Great fun was had by all. King and Queen were crowned, Philip Stewart and Courtney Orgiesen.
 - An open house was held on Skit night with LSSI presenting their “Hidden In Plain Sight” bedroom. We thank them for joining us. The Amboy Education Foundation also provided hot dogs and water for the event.
- The October SIP day was held and students participated in the armed intruder drill led by Deputy Kellen of the Lee County police department and assisted by Officer Lester of Amboy PD. They also attended a presentation by Chief Deputy Whalen of Lee County PD and Chief Bryant of Amboy FD on distracted driving.

Looking Ahead

- October 26th at 6pm will be a FAFSA presentation for all seniors and their parents presented by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. All seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend to learn more about the process of filling out the FAFSA and stay for assistance in filling it out.
- Final exams will be held on December 19th, 20th, and 21st.
- Parent teacher conferences will be held on November 21st and 22nd.
- We are looking at making Feb SIP day (February 13th) a day with breakout sessions that will give students some knowledge of adult life. We are looking for community members to assist in sessions they believe students will need knowledge of prior to graduation. Please contact Mrs. Crownhart if you are interested in leading a breakout session.

**Amboy District #272 PreK-4
Principal's Report
Joyce Schamberger
October 2022**

I. School Improvement:

- Kindergarten teachers uploaded the KIDS assessments.
- Teachers and paraprofessionals were trained in De-escalation techniques.
- Students K-4 participated in a Law Enforcement Drill on Monday, Oct. 17th.
- Testing of all students has been completed with baseline scores for Star Reading and Math. The third and fourth grade also took LRIA.

II. PBIS:

- Central School held the first quarter celebration in the classrooms on Oct.28th. The PBIS team organized 5 different rotations for the students to go through after lunch. Fall classroom parties were held on this day, too.

III. School Activities:

- Picture retakes are on Oct.20th
- Thank you to Jim Travi and the Amboy Lions Club for their generous donation of pumpkins. The Fourth grade students were able to draw and decorate on their pumpkins. Then the pumpkins were on display for all to enjoy. The Lion's Club also gave the 4th grade a \$100 donation to purchase supplies for their project.
- The Donuts with Dudes event was very successful. Thank you to all who attended. Approximately 400 people were served donuts, coffee, milk and juice.
- An official ribbon cutting event thanking Denny and Brooke Weidman for the generous donation towards the playground equipment was held after the donuts event.
- First grade Class took a field trip to Blackberry Farms. They had a self-guided tour of the facility on Oct. 7th.
- The kindergarten class field trip was Oct. 18th to Tanner's Orchard.
- Preschool class walked up to the Amboy Fire Dept for a tour.
- Central PTC held a Prep, Freeze, &Cook fundraiser.
- The Amboy Fire Dept brought over a Fire Safety Bounce house for Fire Prevention Month. Students had a chance to touch a fire truck and an ambulance, as well.
- Preschool classes went to Selmi's Pumpkin Farm for their field trip on Oct. 20th.
- The Book-It activity for reaching their goal was celebrated with making an ocean in a water bottle. This activity was done during Art Classes for those who met their goal.



**Amboy Jr. High School
Principal's Report
October 20th, 2022**
Submitted by: Andrew Full

Curriculum and School Improvement:

- On Monday, September 19th a faculty meeting was held to discuss SLO's, Evaluations, and the upcoming Open House.
- On Thursday, September 22nd a faculty meeting was held to discuss the schedule for Monday, September 26th, and Friday, September 30th. Teachers were also reminded to fill out the Students of the Month and Clipper P.R.I.D.E. document.
- On Friday, September 23rd, Mr. Full attended a training virtually about Averting Targeted School Violence: A U.S. Secret Service Analysis of Plots Against Schools.
- On Monday, September 26th the Jr. High attended the college and career fair hosted by the high school. Thank you to Mrs. Crownhart for doing a great job and for inviting us.
- On Monday, September 26th our annual law enforcement drill was held in the afternoon of our SIP Day.
- On Tuesday, October 11th Mr. Full attended the Rock River Valley Conference meeting.
- On Thursday, October 13th the SIP team met with Anji Garza from the ROE to discuss the following topics: TRS-IA Pre-work, Summative Designation Data, Strategic Plan Homework, Special Education, and Intervention Systems.
- On Thursday, October 20th grade level team meetings were held. Each grade level met for two class periods to discuss students, data, and upcoming dates.

PBIS:

- On Monday, September 26th, we held our monthly PBIS celebration/assembly and the following awards were handed out:

- Students of the Month-
 - 5th Grade- Nolan Scully and Alexis White
 - 6th Grade- Joivvee Hirsch and Richard Contreras
 - 7th Grade- Landon Carter and Charlotte Patterson
 - 8th Grade- Aubrey Wells and Jack Thomas
 - P.E.- Jake Dinges and Richard Contreras
- Clipper P.R.I.D.E.- Jayden Sliger, Mason Heath, Caidie Phelps, Nolan Scully, Bailey Wittenauer, Owen Dallam, Laci Daniels, Josiah Moore, Parker Williams, Channing Bellows, Makayla Burt, Abigail Fox, Sydney Whelchel, Daymein Ellis, Logan Ketchum, Jack Thomas, Kylee Anderson, Richard Contreras, Jasmine Rhodenbaugh, Madisyn Heath, and Anthony Linder.

School Activities:

- An assembly was held on Friday, September 30th that was presented by LSSI about bullying.
- A spirit dress up week was held the week of September 26th.
- The 5th/6th grade volleyball team and the 7th/8th grade volleyball team participated in the Rock River Valley Conference Tournament that started the week of October 3rd. The 5th/6th placed 4th and the 7th/8th placed 3rd.
- Boys basketball has started and we have around 55 players signed up. The coaches are Trese McNinch, Chris Payne, Kyle Schoenholz, and Tyson Powers.
- On Friday, October 14th the 8th grade students attended the Pathways Playground at SVCC.
- On Friday, October 21st the 6th and 7th grade students attended an assembly sponsored by the ROE with Joseph Green as the presenter.

B. Superintendent Reports

C. FOIA Requests

5. Action: Agreement for Asbestos Abatement & Architectural Design Services for the old Junior High School
6. Action: Executive Session
7. Action: Return to Open Session
8. Action: Memorandum of Understanding between Amboy CUSD #272 and Sauk Valley Community College regarding a reunification plan.
9. Action: Student Discipline
10. Action: Personnel
11. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment