

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

Thursday, July 20, 2023
6:30 PM

Amboy Junior High School
Cafeteria
240 N Metcalf Avenue
Amboy, IL 61310

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance
 - A. Roll Call
 - B. Open Forum
 - C. Board Committee Reports
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, JUNE 15, 2023, AT 6:32 P.M.
AMBOY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

President Pratt called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:32 p.m. All board members were present. Also present were Joshua Nichols, Yvonne Vicks, Janet Crownhart, and Andrew Full.

The floor was opened to comments from the public for open forum. Principal Crownhart announced that 16 additional vape sensors have been purchased. Eight will be installed in the high school and eight in the junior high school. The use of the vape sensor wand at the junior high school was discussed.

Board Committee Reports: Katie Pratt shared that her and Elsa Payne were at teacher negotiations and feel it went well. Elsa Payne announced the dates of August 4 for the Amboy Education Foundation Golf Outing and the Sylvan Shuffle on August 26.

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

- Minutes of the May 18, 2023 open & closed regular Board meetings;
- To keep all executive session minutes from October 20, 2022 through March 23, 2023 closed to the public; and
- Delete audio recordings dated December 16, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

For the financial reports, Superintendent Nichols shared that the district has received 106% of the anticipated revenue for the year and \$519,886 in sales tax dollars. We received significantly more in interest income. Corporate personal property tax revenue was \$752,130 this year and the five-year average was \$356,132. The district has used 80% this fiscal year.

A motion was made by White and seconded by Stenzel to allow Superintendent Nichols to expend funds to defray necessary and proper expenses and liabilities of the District incurred for educational, operations, maintenance, transportation, site, and construction purposes of the District for Fiscal Year 2024, until which time the Annual Budget of the District is adopted in conformity with applicable sections of the Illinois School Code. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

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

Superintendent Nichols reported on the following: 1) Continue to wait on Nicor before the demolition of the old junior high. 2) Nick's Lawn Care cleaned up the memorial at the old junior high. 3) New Maintenance Director, Brian Lampe, has been going around introducing himself and learning about the building and grounds. 4) The district is now CEP (Community Eligibility Provision). All students will receive free lunches thanks to the hard work of Amy Wittenauer, Cafeteria Supervisor. 5) FOIA Requests: Smart Procure asked for and received an expenditure update and Vince Espi/Local Labs asked for and received information about diversity and equity programs.

President Pratt announced that starting in July, the Board will review and monitor the Illinois Association of School Boards policies. These will be done according to the timeline provided by IASB.

The first reading of the Illinois Association of School Boards Policy Revisions was received. These are policies that were in a 5-year review and updated.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Montavon to approve the 2023-2024 student handbooks, as presented. These are updated using the Illinois Principals Association's recommendations to keep compliant with the changes in school laws. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Brokaw and seconded by White to approve the 2023-2024 Consolidated District Plan application, as presented. This is the overall guiding document for the Federal grants (Title I, II & IV) and includes all the rules to follow. The Title grant awards will change once they finalize all of the applications in the state. As of right now, the district's allocation is down between 20 and 25% less than last year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Powers and seconded by White to approve the proposal from Helm Service for storm repair, as presented. This is for the storm damage to the dx cooling units on top of the high school. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Payne and seconded by Montavon to approve the proposal from 247Security Inc. for bus camera systems, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Montavon and seconded by Stenzel to approve the proposal from Visual Image Photography for school photography services for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 school years, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:10 p.m., a motion was made by Payne and seconded by Stenzel 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; collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:04 p.m., a motion was made by Powers and seconded by Montavon to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stenzel and seconded by Brokaw to approve the suspensions of students 6-15-23-1 through 6-15-23-6, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Brokaw and seconded by White to accept the resignations of Melissa Mills as Business Education Teacher at the High School, effective May 26, 2023 and Rebecca Kaufman as Paraprofessional, effective May 26, 2023, and to approve the employment of Patrick Carrie as 240-Day Custodian, effective June 6, 2023. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Pratt announced that the next regular board meeting is on Thursday, July 20, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the junior high school.

A motion was made by Powers and seconded by Stenzel to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsa Payne, Secretary

Katie Pratt, President

Approved: _____

- B. Audio Recordings
- 3. Action: Financial Reports
 - A. Review of Financial Reports
 - B. Current Expenditures & Payroll
- 4. Discussion: Reports
 - A. Superintendent Reports
 - B. FOIA Requests
 - C. Board Policy Review
- 5. Action: Illinois Association of School Boards Policy Revisions
- 6. Action: Fowler Enterprises LLC Proposal
- 7. Action: Two Letters of Understanding between the Amboy CUSD #272 & Teamsters Local Union #722
- 8. Action: Executive Session
- 9. Action: Return to Open Session
- 10. Action: Student Expulsion
- 11. Action: Certified Staff Collective Bargaining Agreement
- 12. Action: Personnel Resignations
- 13. Action: Personnel Hirings
- 14. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment