

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2016, AT 7:00 P.M.
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

President Jones called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members were present except Becker. Also present were: Jeff Thake, Liz Scriven, Deb Cleary, Bonnie Morris, Hannah Grady, Anna Willis, Elsa Payne, Ashley Noble, Ed Morris, Joshua Nichols, Joyce Schamberger, Andrew Full and Jenny McCoy

The floor was opened to comments from the public. Hannah Grady, FFA member, shared her experience at the Washington DC Leadership Conference and thanked the FFA Alumni for the opportunity. She also announced that she's starting plans to host a meal-packing event that will be donated to local food pantries.

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

- Minutes of the July 14, 2016 Finance Open & Closed Board Meetings;
- Minutes of the July 21, 2016 Regular Open & Closed Board Meetings; and
- Delete closed session audio recordings dated March 7, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Thake announced that HB5529 is extending the time period for school districts to make interfund transfers between Education, Operations & Maintenance, and Transportation. He announced that he doesn't expect any pro-rations of General State Aid in the coming year. Brian Fox asked how much of an increase is health insurance this year and Thake replied, 11.5%

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

A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Johnson to authorize the Administration to place on file, the Tentative Budget for the 2016-2017 school year, and further to set the 2016-2017 Budget Hearing for Thursday, September 15, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at Central School. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The next order of business was the Administrative Reports, which were reviewed as presented. Superintendent Thake announced that he's been visiting classrooms to check out the 1:1 in action. Elsa Payne remarked that she's not seeing any teachers in the pictures that are being put on the District's Facebook page. Thake said the teachers preferred not to be pictured. "What are teachers doing while the students are on the chromebooks?" was asked. Principal Schamberger shared that GoGuardian is software that the teachers use to monitor what the students are working on.

A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Olson to approve the resolution to place the 1% sales tax on the November 8, 2016 ballot, as presented. Superintendent Thake explained that all the schools in the county will benefit if the referendum passes. This means that the tax money could be used for facility upgrades, etc. and that we would receive approximately \$350,000 annually. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:21 p.m., a motion was made by Fox and seconded by Setchell to move to Executive Session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or

dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; and placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Tony Becker went into Executive Session at 7:26 p.m.

At 7:50 p.m., a motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Fox to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Fox and seconded by Becker to approve the Three-Year Support Staff Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Amboy Board of Education and Teamsters Local Union No. 722, for the contract years of 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019, and to authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to sign the Contract Agreement. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Becker and seconded by Setchell to approve the termination of employment of Ernie Fuller as Custodian, effective August 10, 2016. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Hochstatter and seconded by Fox to approve the employment of Cindy Hindriks as Bus Driver. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Fox to approve the Superintendent Employment Agreement of Jeffrey Thake, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Becker and seconded by Fox to approve the Principal Contracts of Joshua Nichols and Joyce Schamberger, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Upcoming dates include: Regular School Board meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at Central School.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made at 7:54 p.m. by Fox and seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Becker, Secretary

Nicole Jones, President

Approved: _____