

Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 20, 2025 6:30 PM Central

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

Nick Brokaw: Present
Drew Montavon: Present
Elsa Payne: Present
Mandy Powers: Present
Katie Pratt: Present
Nichole Stenzel: Absent
Rory White: Present
Present: 6, Absent: 1.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

1.A. Roll Call

1.B. Open Forum

1.C. Board Committee Reports

2. Action: Consent Agenda Items

To approve the consent agenda, as presented: minutes of the February 20, 2025 open & closed meetings; 2025-2026 IHSA membership renewal; and delete audio recordings dated October 19, 2023. This motion, made by Mandy Powers and seconded by Rory White, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

2.A. Minutes

2.B. 2025-2026 IHSA Membership Renewal

2.C. Delete Audio Recordings

3. Action: Financial Reports

3.A. Review of Financial Reports

3.B. Current Expenditures & Payroll

To approve the current expenditures and payroll, as presented. This motion, made by Rory White and seconded by Elsa Payne, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

4. Discussion: Reports

4.A. Principal Reports

4.B. Superintendent Reports

4.C. FOIA Requests

4.D. Board Policy Review

5. Action: 2025-2026 School Calendar

To approve the 2025-2026 school calendar, as presented. This motion, made by Mandy Powers and seconded by Drew Montavon, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6. Action: Memorandum of Understanding with the Lee County Sheriff's Office

To approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Amboy CUSD #272 and the Lee County Sheriff's Office. This motion, made by Elsa Payne and seconded by Rory White, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

7. Action: Executive Session

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 an educational setting; collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; and student discipline. This motion, made by Nick Brokaw and seconded by Mandy Powers, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8. Action: Return to Open Session

To return to open session. This motion, made by Mandy Powers and seconded by Rory White, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

9. Action: Student Discipline

To approve the suspensions of students 3.20.25.1 through 3.20.25.16, as presented. This motion, made by Elsa Payne and seconded by Drew Montavon, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10. Action: Personnel - Resignation

To accept the resignation from Melanie Kopriva as English Teacher at the High School, effective at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year. This motion, made by Mandy Powers and seconded by Nick Brokaw, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy

Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

11. Action: Personnel - Hiring

To approve the following personnel, pending successful criminal background check, proper licensure, and submission of pre-employment requirements: Kim Atherton and Jacob Riley as Van Drivers, Brenda Deery as Van Driver and Aide, and Dennis Yocum as Substitute Bus Driver, all effective March 12, 2025; Erica Boyle as Girls Track Coach at the Junior High; summer workers, as presented; tenure contracts to probationary teachers, as presented; contract renewals to tenured teachers, as presented; contract renewals to non-tenured probationary teachers, as presented; and contract renewals to support staff, as presented. This motion, made by Elsa Payne and seconded by Drew Montavon, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Mandy Powers: Abstain (With Conflict), Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

12. Upcoming Dates, Miscellaneous Items, Board Remarks and Adjournment

To adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Elsa Payne and seconded by Drew Montavon, Passed.

Nichole Stenzel: Absent, Nick Brokaw: Yea, Drew Montavon: Yea, Elsa Payne: Yea, Mandy Powers: Yea, Katie Pratt: Yea, Rory White: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1