

Minutes
Appleton City R-2 School District
Regular Board Meeting
November 17, 2021
Library 7:00 p.m.

Board President, Stephanie Preston call the meeting to order. Members present: Janet Payton, Tony Bales, Sandra Long, Katy Brownsberger, Craig Siegismund and Virtual/Nick Oehring. Others present: Superintendent, Sarah Miller, Jim Gurney, Katy Botka, Karen Murray, Nelma Thomas, Nikki Piepmeier, Kevin Post, Andrea Davis, Marla James, Tina Moore, Misty Long, Matt Brownsberger, Anna Parsons, Jenesa Campos, April Loney, Shawnda and Jayson Davis, Ashley Deel and Jennifer Hawkins.

The Board opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board President, Stephanie Preston declared a Quorum to exist.

Payton made a motion, second by Siegismund to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the exception of check #38323 to Tony Bales and #38360 to Kelly Tindall PT DPT as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Payton made a motion, second by Long to approve check #38323 to Tony Bales as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1 [Abstention/Bales/Personal Conflict].

Payton made a motion, second by Siegismund to approve check #38360 to Kelly Tindall PT DPT as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1 [Abstention/Brownsberger/Personal Conflict].

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion Only: Test to Stay

Discussion Only: Door Bids

Discussion Only: HVAC

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent, Sarah Miller presented the eValue Data Presentation.

Discussion: Extra Duty Position

Payton made a motion, second by Long to approve the in-house list of employees to assist the Nurse PRN as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1 [Abstention/Long/Personal Conflict].

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Administrative Reports

Superintendent, Sarah Miller

We received the Patterson Family Rural Foundation Grant of \$5100.00. Can be used to help with facilities, air filtration, educational materials, etc. ECF Fund – We were approved for the purchase of 100 additional Chromebooks, cases, and chargers along with 50 hotspots. The Chromebooks have come in, we are working with AT&T to acquire the hotspots. We were approved for the Supplemental Funding Grant through DHSS. This will reimburse for personnel and benefits for staff assisting with the testing program, supplies and other expenses. We were approved for up to \$83,400 as a reimbursement. On our PD Day Monday, all staff participated in a series of PD opportunities on Google Classroom, KAMI, and De-Escalation Strategies to help deal with difficult situations. The Tech Team and Mr. Payton did a great job of getting high-quality and much needed information out to staff. I also asked staff to start getting packets together to be sent home in the event we use more AMI hours for snow days. That way, students will already have their materials at home to work on and we will be able to check in with them as needed. We will put out an announcement and send them home in the next week or two. A huge thank-you goes out to the teachers and staff members for all of their hard work this year. This is one of the most difficult years in education to date, with COVID continuing to cause issues. I want to thank them for their selfless dedication to our students and this community. I continually see them give every ounce of effort they can to make sure each student succeeds. The PRIME Center (Policy Research in Education) has chosen to recognize AC Elementary for placing in the Top 10 for PRIME Growth Scores in the Western Plains Region. Out of 118 schools. AC Elementary placed 10th in ELA for a growth score of 88.6% Congrats to the students and teachers for working so hard last year. Your efforts are showing!

MS/HS – Jim Gurney

Enrollment – 191 Attendance – 94.0%
See Report

EL – Katy Botka

Enrollment – 161 Attendance – 97%
See Report

Next Regular Meeting is December 15, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

Appleton City Board of Education having duly voted to close its open meeting.

Long made a motion, second by Bales to adjourn @ 7:33 p.m. with no closed meeting. Roll call vote: Siegismund-yes, Brownsberger-yes, Preston-yes, Long-yes, Bales-yes, Payton-yes, and Oehring/Virtual-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

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Adjournment @ 7:33 p.m.

Board President, Stephanie Preston

Board Secretary, Sandra Long