

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ARENAC EASTERN BOARD OF EDUCATION
ARENAC COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN**

1. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Arenac Eastern School District, Arenac County, State of Michigan, was held in the Arenac Eastern School District MS/HS Library on Monday, October 12, 2009.

President, Tom Brandimore called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Tom Brandimore, Marjorie Lockwood, Paul Phelan,
Michele Morgan, Tim Nelson, Kathy Clark

Members Absent: Dick Klender

3. Pledge and Mission Statement

The pledge of allegiance and mission statement were recited.

4. Consent Agenda

4.1. Minutes

4.2. Bills

Michele Morgan moved to approve the consent agenda as written. Marjorie Lockwood supported. All in favor. Motion unanimously carried.

5. Public Comment

Sis Rittenberg; Pre-School Funding? If the District stays the way we are currently, do we lose the licensing? Mr. Brandimore explained that with the State making the cuts, he doesn't see how we could lose our licensing by not providing Pre-School this year.

6. Administrative Reports

6.1. Patrick Bootz, Interim-Superintendent

-Mr. Bootz discussed with the Board the Superintendent's Roundtable meeting at the ISD. Jeff Mays & Barcia attended this meeting for discussion regarding the state funding.

-Free/Reduced Lunch; 80% of the district qualifies for free/reduced lunch. 177 students free and 39 reduced.

-\$165.00 per pupil cut from the foundation allowance

-Fanning Howey; Architect Firm states the district owes \$5,357.50 for services rendered. Mr. Bootz contacted Dr. Olson had a discussion with her as these services were rendered during her time with the district. The CEO of the firm is asking what the schools attitude is towards this outstanding invoice. Mr. Brandimore asked Mr. Boots to have the firm substantiate the invoice. Comment was also that those services were paid for with Bond Funds.

6.2. Mike Dewey, Superintendent Search Report

Mr. Dewey informed the members that he had received 20 applications. He continued to explain the intentions of the procedure of the interview process. He shared the tentative schedule with the board.

-Schedule a Special Meeting on Oct. 20th @ 6:00 p.m. to select candidates.
Special Meetings to be scheduled for Oct. 27th & 29th for interviews, depending on how many candidates are selected to interview. The board is o.k. with this timeline and directed Mr. Dewey continue with the procedure.

Paul Phelan moved to enter closed session at 6:30 p.m. Marjorie Lockwood supported. All in favor.

Mr. Sevenser invited Ginger Stoll, ISD Accountant and Mr. Dewey to be a part of the closed session.

7. Old Business

7.1. Dave Sevenser, ESP Negotiations (closed session)

Reconvene at 6:50 p.m.

8. New Business

8.1. Mike Dewey, BAISD Annual Report

Mr. Dewey distributed the 2008-09 Annual Report for Bay-Arenac ISD. Mr. Dewey outlined the content of the report. Mr. Brandimore questioned the teaching of "Go Green". Mr. Dewey shared that the ISD is teaching "Go Green" in many areas of the ISD. Michele Morgan expressed great interest of the "Algebra I Boot Camp" in hopes that AE could be a part of this program in the future.

8.2. Marjorie Lockwood, School Credit Union

Mrs. Lockwood informed the board that she and Mr. Pauly discussed the opportunities of and in-school credit union. This program will assist young people in the development of personal finance and employability skills. There is an unused classroom with the appropriate space needed for the branch office. Any cost for this development is covered by the credit union. The overall intentions of this program is to teach young people to Save – Share – Spend.

Paul Phelan moved to ask Mr. Huber to be the district's full time Athletic Director. Michele Morgan supported. All in favor. Motion unanimously carried.

8.3. Consider appoint of Roger Huber as Athletic Director of 2009-10 school year with salary to be negotiated.

Mr. Bootz explained the reasoning for this consideration. AE has 86 students participating in athletics, with a total of 9 teams. This position carries a great deal of responsibility. Scheduling of games, officials, tournaments and employees to take admissions and ensuring that there is an administrator available to oversee all events.

8.4. Consider Peggy Nelson as a full-time Special Education Teacher

The district currently has 40 students in Special Education and this number could grow. The case load for a teacher is 16-17, a waiver is possible for up to 20. Mr. Bootz did indicate that the recall of a non-tenured teacher is not possible due to lay-off being off over one year. Special Education has 5 new referrals and 4 transfers. These referrals and transferred include some existing students.

Paul Phelan moved to hire Peggy Nelson as a full-time Special Education Teacher. Marjorie Lockwood supported. All in favor.

9. Next Meeting

Next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2009 at 6:00 pm.

11. Adjournment

Michele Morgan moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:14 p.m. Marjorie Lockwood supported. All in favor. Motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele M. Morgan
Secretary, Board of Education