



Almont Board of Education Work Session Agenda

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

Work Session

Monday September 18, 2023 6:00 pm

Posted September 15, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice President Smith

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: D. Walton, S. Frederiksen, J. Wade, R. Battani, J. Smith

Absent: T. Saint Onge, A. Edwards

Audience: 7

Adoption of Agenda

A. Additions

B. Deletions

Questions and Comments: Audience

- None

Communication

Work Session Only

A. Building and Site

1. Snow Removal RFP Recommendation from J. Frederick

- One bid received
- Discussion on bid style; per occurrence vs. seasonal
- Request to reach out to previous bidders and find out why they did not bid; if re-opened will need to allow current bidder has the right to re-submit
- No recommendation at this time

2. Other maintenance items are common with start of school year

B. Finance

1. Checks Written (MS)

- Random check pulls

2. Account Balances (MS)

3. Student Activity Accounts (MS)

4. 2023 Financial Statements (MS)

- Preview of audit results

5. Review Worklist

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- Is Lean To addition needed if fieldhouse planned, assume no
- Is turf or natural grass the plan?
 - J.Wade spoke to the assumption it would be a 20 year plan
 - R. Battani spoke to the safety concerns; details are in the fibers and the in-fills
- Band & Choir rooms, details will be determined in design phase
- Central Office option to move; will need estimates for a recommendation
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C. Personnel

1. Resignations

Recommended 3 to 0

1. New Hires

Recommended 3 to 0

NOTE: Remove HS Para

2. Change in Teacher Pay

Recommended 3 to 0

D. Policy

1. School of Choice

Recommended 2 to 0

Questions and Comments: Audience

- Paul Bowman asked if it would be possible to see a copy of the financial summary; also asked about enrollment numbers, currently at 1,401 students; the township had the same experience with snow removal bids and chose to go with the one bid.
- Amy Bowers spoke about the decision to turf the field and that the Bond Steering Committee did not fully understand that turf was the assumption, Mrs. VonHiltmayer confirmed that not all committee members supported turf but a majority of the responses were in favor.
- Sara Betker referenced the previous Bond meeting and if the fieldhouse plan includes an area for concessions and outside restrooms. Current concessions receives compliments and is successful for the Athletic Boosters which goes back into the programs.
- Michelle Wangler spoke to the potential increase in facility costs with additions and renovations.
- Tracy Pewinski asked if the YSI bid received has been opened and how that will affect the sealed bid process if re-done.

Questions and Comments: Board

Communication (Mrs. VonHiltmayer)

- Gave updates on Homecoming week.
- Kudos to Mr. Shifflett and his efforts to connect with students.
- H.S. Principal candidate did not come to recommendation, will update later.

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Future Agenda Items

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by D. Walton, supported by S.Frederiksen to adjourn the September 18, 2023 Work Session Meeting at 7:02 p.m.

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Signed: Dallas R. Walton
Dallas Walton, Secretary

Signed: Angela Edwards
Angela Edwards, President

Approved: 9.25.23
Date

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