

Aviston Elementary School District #21  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
December 19, 2019—7:00 PM  
MINUTES

1. Call to Order—7:00 pm
  - a. Roll Call
    1. Members present: Thole, liams, Eversgerd, Jansen, Toennies, Strubhart
    2. Members absent: Schulte
    3. Non Members present: Superintendent Hamil, Amanda Beer, Brianne Kuhn, Samantha Crandall
  
2. Public Comment/Recognition of Visitors/Good News Report
  - a. No public comment or visitor comment was given
  - b. Good news Report:
    1. Aviston Elementary received and delivered approximately four truckloads of donated food, toiletries, toys and coats to the BCMW, Coping4Life and Early Head Start during the 2019 “Elf Drive”.
    2. The annual Winter Concert and Winter Play under the direction of Ms. Washburn was well-received by visitors. Parents, teachers, and students were commended for their cooperation in helping to create successful productions.
    3. The boys and girls basketball teams are having very successful seasons. Athletic Director Amanda Beer gave team and record updates.
    4. Several community projects were undertaken by classes, which included decorating bags and creating birthday packages for the local food pantry as well as creating greeting cards for nursing home residents.
    5. The Student of the Month theme was “Manners” and students were recognized for their display of good manners at school.
  
3. Tax Levy Special Hearing
  - a. Motion to enter special hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment regarding the 2019 Aviston Elementary SD #21 tax levy.
    1. Motion by Strubhart, Second by Jansen
    2. All in favor, None opposed, Schulte Absent
    3. Time was allowed for public comment regarding the 2019 tax levy; no public comment was received.
  - b. Motion by liams, second by Jansen to accept the 2019 tax levy for Aviston Elementary SD #21 as presented.
  - c. Roll Call: Thole, aye; liams, aye; Eversgerd, aye; Jansen, aye; Toennies, aye; Strubhart, aye. None opposed. Schulte Absent.

4. Motion to amend the agenda:  
None
  
5. Approval of Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approve Minutes of Regular November 20, 2019 Meeting,
  - b. Approve Payment of Bills
  - c. Treasurer's Report
  - d. Motion by Strubhart, second by liams to approve the consent agenda items.
  - e. Roll Call: Thole, aye; liams, aye; Eversgerd, aye; Jansen, aye; Toennies, aye; Strubhart, aye. None opposed. Schulte Absent.
  
6. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Ameren Energy Grant Update – Follow up information from Litteken Electric regarding the upcoming grant application process included that there is likely a copay on the part of the District for electrical fixture upgrades, with a percentage that will be reimbursed by Ameren. Any non-LED fixture present in the facility can be replaced under the grant specifications, with the exclusion of standard A19 lamp styles. The application process can begin on January 1, 2020.
  - b. Current District Contracts – The Board was presented with a list of the current District contracts with various vendors and the scope and timeframes of the contracts.
  - c. Area District Strategies for \$15/hour Minimum Wage Increase – A report was given outlining the various approaches that neighboring school districts are using as the state-mandated \$15/hour minimum wage increments are being implemented.
  
7. New Business
  - a. Volleyball Coach Resignation
    1. Amanda Beer submitted a resignation letter as the head volleyball coach.
    2. Motion by Thole, second by Jansen to accept the resignation of Amanda Beer as head volleyball coach.  
All in favor. None opposed. Schulte Absent
  
  - b. PRESS Policy Update Issue #102
    1. Motion by liams, second by Strubhart to accept the policies as presented in PRESS Policy Update Issue #102.  
All in favor. None opposed. Schulte Absent

8. \*\*Closed Session--Closed session may be used to discuss contract negotiations, employee issues and other items as deemed necessary by the board and as approved in 5 ILCS 120/2 of the Open Meetings Act.
    - a. Motion by Strubhart, second by liams to move from open to closed session at 7:35 pm.
    - b. All in favor. None opposed. Schulte Absent.
    - c. Motion by Strubhart, second by liams to move from closed session to open session at 7:57 pm.
    - d. All in favor. None opposed. Schulte Absent.
  
  9. Action on items discussed in closed session
    - a. 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Head Coach, 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Assistant Coach, 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Head Coach, 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Assistant Coach
      1. Motion by Thole, second by Jansen to hire:
        - Taylor Rakers as 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Volleyball Coach
        - Abby Johnson as 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Assistant Coach
        - Maisie Kampwerth as 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Head Coach
        - Taylor Rakers as 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Assistant Coach
      2. All in favor. None opposed. Schulte Absent.
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10. Adjournment
  - a. Motion by liams second by Strubhart to adjourn the November 20, 2019 Meeting at 7:57 pm.
  - b. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Brad Eversgerd, President

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Kristi Toennies, Secretary