

AJCHS #81

December 14, 2015

MINUTES

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School held a Public Hearing on December 14, 2015 for a Proposed Property Tax Increase for 2016. Upon roll call at 6:45 p.m. the following members were present: Mr. Housman, Dr. Reach, Mr. Hughey, Mrs. Blakely and Mr. McGrath. Mr. Edwards and Mrs. Boget were not at the meeting. Also present was Superintendent Wright and Brett Detering.

There were no public comments made.

On motion by Mr. Reach and seconded by Mr. Hughey to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:51 p.m. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

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The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School held its regular meeting on December 14, 2015. Upon roll call at 7:00 p.m. the following members were present: Mr. Housman, Dr. Reach, Mr. Hughey, Mrs. Blakely, Mr. Edwards, Mr. McGrath and Mrs. Boget. Also present was Superintendent Wright and Brett Detering.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Mr. Housman to approve the Agenda as written. All members voting yes. Motion carried

On motion by Mr. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Blakely to approve the Consent Agenda which contained the following items: approval of board minutes on November 16; approval of closed session minutes; approval of payment for bills, acceptance of financial reports. On roll call, all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Reagan Morrison represented the Student Council

Several members participated in our annual Christmas shopping on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

We adopted 10 kids through Pay It Forward and 2 kids that attend AJ.

We have agreed to pay \$1000 towards the Gym Floor Cover Roller and will fundraise to get the rest if no other clubs or organizations help out.

We also agreed to paint Union Hall lobby this summer.

Mrs. Vancil and Mrs. Fitzgerald-Wilson represented the teachers. The items of interest presented were as follows:

FBLA Will be sending 41 Students and Advisor to the Southern Area Conference at SIU in January. Two AJ students JC Smith (Southern Area Treasurer) and Meghan Smith (Southern Area Reporter) will have responsibilities at the Event and will help organize it. FBLA is working to set

up a Scholarship Fund for FBLA Students. The Scholarship will be given at the end of the school year at Awards Night. Web Masters have added lots of new pictures under Sports Picture Page, Specialty Events and AJ Spotlight Page.

Megan Dammerman, Madison Jacobs, Hannah Reach, Sophie Shaffar, and Jacob Stark have been named Illinois State Scholars. The selection is based on class rank and ACT scores from student's junior year submitted to the Illinois Student Assistance Committee.

Tiffany Dillow, the college recruiter from Colorado State University, spoke to students on November 24.

Mrs. Bame, Mrs. Garner, and Ms. Lewis administered the ACT on December 12 at A-J. Forty-Nine students were registered to take the exam.

Ms. Maze has started a new club called G.I.V.E. (Get Involved, Value Everyone) They are currently mailing letters to soldiers and veterans. We have written and mailed 70 cards to soldiers and veterans from the Southern Illinois region. Students will be continuing to write to soldiers and veterans throughout the school year, and sending care packages to those overseas. They are also working on a project called the "Skin Deep" Project that is an anti-bullying campaign. They are hoping to have that project completed by Early January to be on display in the AJ hallways.

Tori Shaw from the channel 6 weather team spoke with Ms Garner and Mrs. Neitzer's science classes about weather forecasting and science related careers. She was very impressed with the politeness and knowledge of our students.

The AJ Marching Wildcats participated in this year's Holiday Lights Fantastic parade, held in Carbondale on December 5th. The music department also held the Winter Concert this past Tuesday evening- with performances by the Chorus, Concert Choir, and Symphonic Band.

Association members donated money for gift cards for students for Christmas. They donated over \$400 and were able to give eight gift cards to our students.

FFA and FCCLA raised over \$600 for the Day Star Community Center in Cairo because their last grocery store was just shut down.

Principal Detering reported on cafeteria lunch balances, enrollment and attendance rates, PARCC scores, and the semester exam schedule.

Superintendent Wright informed the board of the Shawnee Division Governing Meeting to be held January 7, 2016 in Marion. The CSI group will hold a workshop at the Jonesboro Baptist Church on January 11, 2016. Mr. Wright, Mr. Detering, department heads and a few others will be attending the meeting. Possible changes in the Rural Health contract were shared too.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Mr. Edwards for the Board to enter into closed session at 8:28 p.m. for the following reasons (1) the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public to determine its validity. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and Student Disciplinary Cases 5ILCS120/2(c)(9). On roll call, all members voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mrs. Boget and seconded by Mrs. Blakely to return to regular session at 9:15 p.m. On roll call all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Superintendent Evaluation materials were passed out.

On motion by Mr. Housman and seconded by Mrs. Blakely to approve the Certificate of Tax Levy. On roll call all members voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mrs. Boget to approve Resolution 15-12-14A Authorizing Application for Qualified School Construction Bond Designation. On roll call all members voting yes. Motion carried.

Athletic Program and policies were discussed.

Mr. Housman had to leave the meeting.

On motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Dr. Reach to approve the purchase of PRESS Plus services. On roll call all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Mr. Hughey to approve Mason Hayward and Shane Eddleman as volunteer assistant bowling coaches and Evan Howard as volunteer assistant wrestling coach. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve Final Reading and adoption of Board Policy Updates. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Wright presented the updated version of the Illinois School Report Card.

Board President John Hughey called a Special Meeting for Wednesday, January 6, at 6:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office.

On motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Hughey to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:50 p.m. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled Meeting is Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office.

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President

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Secretary