

AJCHS #81

March 19, 2018

MINUTES

The Anna-Jonesboro Community High School held its regular meeting on March 19, 2018. Upon roll call at 7:00 p.m. the following members were present: Mrs. Teske, Dr. Reach, Mr. Hughey, Dr. Blakely, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Boget, and Mr. McGrath. Also present was Superintendent Wright, Mr. Finders, and Brett Detering.

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

On motion by Mr. McGrath and seconded by Dr. Blakely to approve the Consent Agenda which contained the following items: approval of board minutes on 2/12/18; approval of closed session minutes; approval of payment for bills, acceptance of financial reports, renewal of IHSA membership and acceptance of resignation from Amber Newberry. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Matt Denny came and spoke about Cross Country, with the success they have had and the amount of kids he foresees in the future he would like to get new uniforms. The Board thanked him for all of his efforts.

Heidi Mitchell and Jasmin Foster represented the Student Council. The items of interest presented were as follows:

Last month we had our second blood drive. Our goal was 53 and we had 60 units donated with 64 individuals donating. Our next drive is scheduled for May 1 from 830 am - 3 pm. We will begin working on that drive after spring break.

We will have our officer's election on April 3. Students who are interested in running for an officer position have until Friday to turn in their forms.

We will be conducting a survey over the student body after spring break. The survey will be over our school climate and safety issues. This will help us plan for next year on what we can do to make our students feel safe in our building.

Ms. Maze represented the teachers. The items of interest presented were as follows:

Congratulations to Molly Houseright for winning a Silver Key nationally in the Scholastic Art Competition. Molly's collage won a Gold Key in our regional contest and went on to compete nationally along with all other Gold Key winners. Only three students from the Southern Illinois region won at the national level. Molly's work is on display in the secretary's office.

This years spring musical Emma! was a huge success! More than 60 students were involved in the cast, crew, pit band or other areas of service. 15 students were in the cast for the first time. Five students

participated in crew for the first time. Thank you to the Board and Administration for your continued support of the arts at AJCHS!

Mrs. Miller & Mrs. Penninger took 70 juniors to the IACAC College Fair at SIU on Thursday, March 15th. The students were able to tour campus, housing, and meet with representatives from 60 different colleges.

The 2018 Freshman Fair seemed to be a success. 124 of the 143 incoming freshmen and their families were in attendance.

Susan Odum from the Illinois Extension Center came and talked to Mrs. Hase Resource Management classes about the campaign "Keep it in the County." The students learned about the importance of supporting local businesses and keeping money as local as they can. They discussed topics such as where they chose to spend their money affects local jobs, taxes, and businesses. They also created posters on what businesses support A-J athletics, fundraisers, clubs, yearbook etc. and where they are located.

The WYSE Team competed at the sectional competition at SIU on March 14th. The team placed fourth overall. Ender Schmidt placed third in math and Colton Goins placed 3rd in English. Colton's score met the qualifying mark to compete at the state competing in April.

The Math Team competed at the Regional Math Team Contest at Herrin High School on February 24th. The team placed 2nd overall. The Freshmen/Sophomore 8-Man team and the Junior/Senior 2-Man teams both received 1st place. The Geometry team, Algebra 2 team, Pre-Calculus Team, Freshmen/Sophomore 2-Man, Junior/Senior 8-Man, Calculator Team, and the Oral Competition team all placed 2nd. Ender Schmidt received 2nd place in the Pre-Calculus competition. His 2nd place finish qualifies him for the State Math Team Competition at UIUC on May 5th. The Math Team will next compete at SIU Math Field Day on March 20th.

The math department attended the annual Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference on Thursday, February 15th. This conference was hosted by SIUC and was held at John A Logan College. The math department attended various sessions including:

- 1) "What's in a Name" a statistical analysis using student information*
 - 2) "Who knew the Quadratic Formula was this Versatile" where they looked at the quadratic formula in two unusual areas related to conic sections and triangle proofs*
 - 3) "So Why Do We Want Multiple Solutions" where they looked at several examples that illustrate how multiple solutions can develop deeper understanding of mathematical situations.*
 - and 4) "Accurate Assessment: Standards Based Grading in a Southern Illinois Classroom" where they explored how to modify a traditional grade book into a standards based system.*
- Ideas from the various sessions were shared and discussed at their department meeting. Implementation timelines were additionally discussed.*

On motion by Mrs. Boget and seconded by Mr. Edwards for the Board to enter into closed session at 7:13 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) Student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (8) Roll Call Vote: On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Mr. Edwards to return to regular session at 8:42 p.m. On roll call all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Finders presented information about upcoming PSAT and SAT testing, grants that we have applied for, and the new direction he would like to take our Professional Development next year.

Principal Detering presented information on enrollment, cafeteria, discipline, freshman fair, national school walkout, and a teacher report.

Superintendent Wright presented his administrative report. Mr. Wright updated the board in regards to possible summer projects. We just had our yearly compliance visit by the ROE, there were only a few minor items that needed addressed. Mr. Wright recently attended several workshop on the Evidenced Based Funding Model and the Every Student Succeeds Act that are now in effect.

On motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mrs. Teske to approve FBLA overnight trip to Springfield. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Staff Needs Survey Results were handed out and discussed.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Mrs. Boget to approve the renewal of the principal's contract. On roll call all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Dr. Blakely to approve repairs to the parking lots. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Hughey and seconded by Mr. McGrath to grant tenure for Heath Dawley, Alysha Hase, Sarah Konecek, and Kristin Chamness. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Hughey and seconded by Dr. Blakely to hire Jennifer Eastman as a Cook. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Dr. Reach and seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve Bob Konecek as a volunteer soccer coach pending background check and certification. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

1st reading of the Board Policy Updates.

The board would like to send a letter of congrats to Molly Houseright for being a Silver Key winner and one to the Musical/Friends of the Theater. They are very thankful to Brad Stamp and all volunteers that worked with the Musical.

On motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Hughey to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 10:00 p.m. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Next regularly scheduled Meeting is Monday, April 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in Superintendent's Office.

President

Secretary