

AJCHS #81

March 21, 2022

MINUTES

The Anna Jonesboro Community High School held its regular meeting on March 21, 2022, it was called to order by President Dr. Blakely. Upon roll call at 6:00 p.m. the following members were present: Dr. Blakely, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Vosburgh, and Mr. Hughey. Mr. Bailey arrived at 6:04.

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

On motion by Mr. Hughey and seconded by Mr. Vosburgh to approve the Consent Agenda which contained the following items: approval of board minutes on 2/18/22 and 2/22/2022; approval of closed session minutes; approval of payment for bills, IHSA membership, and acceptance of financial reports. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors and Correspondence, Public Comments: Ryan Dodd and Matt Denny.

Student Council: Good evening, board members, administration, and guests. I am Natalee Brown Senior representative for student council and Kamden Richardson is Vice President for student council. Last month, on February 23rd we collected 60 pints of blood and had 12 new donors. Our next blood drive is scheduled for April 27th. You can go to redcross.org to schedule your donation. For the month of April, student council is collecting donations for PAWS. Items we hope to collect are dog/cat food, paper towels, bleach, or a monetary donation. We are also offering a drawing for a \$25 dollar gift card for the students who bring in items for PAWS. On Friday, March 18th, we sponsored a PJ/hat day for \$1 for donations to PAWS and raised \$157. We plan to host another PJ/hat day to purchase more products to help the animals in need at PAWS. Please consider donating to the local animals in need. Thank you!

Items from Teachers: The Math Team competed at the Regional Math Team Competition on February 26th. The Algebra 1 Team, Geometry Team, Algebra 2 Team, Pre-Calculus Team, Freshmen/Sophomore 8-Man, Junior-Senior 8 Man, Oral Team, and the Calculator Team all received 2nd place. Chesnee Marks placed 3rd in Algebra 1 and Eric Chen placed 2nd in Geometry. Both Chesnee and Eric qualified for the state math team competition in April. The Math Team placed 2nd overall at the competition. Our next competition is March 29th at SIU Math Field Day. In April, the math team will compete at SEMO Math Field Day. FBLA will be taking an overnight field trip on April 1 and April 2 to Springfield, IL to compete in their state conference. Seven students advanced to compete at State. This conference will allow students to compete in different events, apply leadership skills, attend trainings, and network with other students from schools across the state. The ACES team took first place as a team at their regional competition. The following students placed as individuals in their specific subject areas. Math: 2nd - Andrew Detering, 3rd - Bryce Henry. English: 1st - Bryce Henry. Chemistry: 1st - Bo Schuetz and Jolie Barger, 2nd - Jake Merriman. Physics: 2nd - Bo Schuetz and Jolie Barger, 3rd - Avery Osman. Biology: 1st - Beto Vaca Diez. The team competed in sectionals on March 9th. At his competition, Will Keller placed second in biology and Beto Vaca Diez placed third in biology. Both will advance to state competition. Even though he did not place in the top three, Bryce Henry also earned a score that qualifies him to advance to state in English. Seniors in Mrs. Hase's Resource Management class prepared Resumes/Cover letters and had mock interviews conducted by Tasha Faire, Steven Wiseman, Lance Meisenheimer and Angie Rhodes-Smith. Ms. Cleghorn's Fashion Apparel and Design Class is making the softball fan wear and shirts for the musical. The Culinary Arts classes catered the Boys' Basketball Banquet. They are also catering the Wrestling Banquet later in the month, and are also making meals for teachers the nights of conferences. The student services office is pleased to announce this year's Outstanding Seniors: Addison Denny, Andrew Detering, Gavin Osman, Bryce Henry, Beto Vaca Diez, and Marlee Smith. These students are selected by faculty and staff based on their GPA, character, leadership, service, and engagement. We also want to recognize senior Alex Little, who was awarded with the Chancellor's Scholarship at SIUC, which is a full ride. We were pleased to be able to host the 8th graders in person this year for a short orientation. Special thanks to Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Osman for organizing performances from the Band, Concert Choir, and Cheerleaders, as well as to Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Vancil for coming to speak to students about their electives. We also wanted to express our appreciation once again for the board's recognition of the mental health needs of our students and the creation of the mental health counselor position. We were excited to interview three good candidates, and are looking forward to providing more services to students moving forward. The FFA competed in Section 24 Livestock judging on March 12th. They placed 4th as a team and Hunter Chapman was the 7th place individual. Thanks to Mr. Detering for taking them to the contest. Abigail Dahmer interviewed at the District 5 Proficiency Judging at Mt. Vernon High School. Her project about working at Shawnee Forest Campground placed 3rd. Ms. Maze's Civics classes have been learning the importance of media literacy by using Stanford Universities model by identifying the source, evaluating evidence, researching laterally, and looking at multiple sources (corroboration) while specifically researching the effects of mandatory Saturday School. Those students then wrote mock letters to the school board about the effectiveness of Saturday School on our student body.

Ms. Maze's Government classes are currently studying the process a bill takes to become a law and are about to dig into policies and how they are created. In years past students have evaluated school policies and provided mock bills to administration to potentially adopt. If you have any areas that you would like students to address, please let Ms. Maze know, they will begin this process in her classes in the upcoming weeks.

Curriculum Director Scott Finders reported on Wildcat Academy Credit Recovery Program, Summer Credit Recovery, State Testing, and Staff Professional Development in April.

Principal Detering gave reports on Discipline and Failures,

Superintendent Wright's administrative report included updates on an updated facility project schedule, vehicle rotation list, professional development for board members with IASB, demand to bargain letter from the Association, new signs for soccer fields and district office, a new communication tool called Aptegey, and renaming the AJ High School soccer field after Derek Harvell.

On motion by Mr. Vosburgh and seconded by Mr. Hughey for the Board to enter into closed session at 7:19p.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). Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(3). On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Dr. Blakely to return to regular session at 9:00p.m. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Partridge and seconded by Mr. Vosburgh to approve the renewal of Brett Detering (Principal) contract as presented. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Dr. Blakely to approve the Latin Academic Honor System Proposal. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Hughey and seconded by Mr. Vosburgh to approve Alternate Bid #3 from Glandt Roofing for replacement of shop area roof. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Partridge to approve overnight trip for FBLA State Convention. All members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Dr. Blakely to hire Cody Roberts as Mental Health Counselor. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Partridge and seconded by Mr. Bailey to hire Tyler Young as Social Studies Teacher. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Vosburgh and seconded by Mr. Hughey to hire Dalton Browning as Agriculture Teacher. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Hughey and seconded by Mr. Bailey to hire Meagan Bauer as Guidance Secretary. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

President Blakely called a special board meeting on April 5th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering the dismissal of a probationary teacher.

On motion by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Partridge to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:17p.m. On roll call, all members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Next regularly scheduled meeting is Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office.

President

Secretary