

ALDEN-HEBRON S.D. #19
Hebron, IL 60034-9799
“Strive For Excellence”

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.

President Norton called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Alden-Hebron Community Consolidated Unit School District #19 to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Mr. Norton, Mr. Winkelman, Mrs. Combs, Mr. Madsen, Mr. Eskridge, Mrs. Smith

ABSENT: Mr. Stauss

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Debbie Ehlenburg-Superintendent, Tim Hayunga-MS/HS Principal, Tiffany Elswick-ES Principal, Pat Syens-Treasurer, Scott Redden-Buildings & Grounds, Cyndie Erckfritz-Transportation, Karen Fallon-Kindergarten teacher, Patti Peisert-1st grade teacher, Katie Beck-SSC, Colleen Geils-Media Specialist, Sophie Matla-1st grade, Lisa Cohen-4th grade, John Lalor-Athletic Director, Michelle Cashmore-Dean of Students, Zeke Nickels, Jen Nickels, Kate Johnson, Mike VonBergen, Tracie VonBergen, David Wolf, Joanne Wiedemann-Wolf.

CORRESPONDENCE

- FOIA on 10/18/18 from Brittany Keeperman, reporter with Northwest Herald: Requesting Board packet and documents associated with 10/16/18 board meeting. Satisfied on 10/19/18.
- Thank you note to the BOE for the memorial donation to Valley of the Kings in honor of her mother, Cindy Bloom.

COMMUNICATIONS

Public Comments

None

Staff Comments

Mrs. Geils and Mrs. Beck were in attendance to introduce the Thinking Maps system that is being utilized cross-curricular in PK through 8th grade. They explained that Thinking Maps is a “visible” system of arranging details and facts that encourage critical thinking and will lead to the students becoming more proficient writers. They presented the different styles of Thinking Maps, and described the implementation process that has been used in the Elementary and Middle Schools for the system. They also showed video examples of different grade level students “talking off the map”—using their map as a guide to tell a story or share facts.

Dr. Ehlenburg presented Mr. Giurlani, custodian and Mrs. Erckfritz with Giant Pride Awards for going above and beyond for staying to help with the clean-up when there was a drain back-up in the Elementary School.

Dr. Ehlenburg also presented Mr. Norton, Mr. Winkelman, and Mr. Madsen with their pins for achieving the status of Master Board Level I, which is earned when a BOE member attends a certain number of workshop hours.

Board Comments

Mr. Winkelman announced that the Basketball season has begun and urged those present to come out and support the student athletes. Mr. Norton added that the HS 8-Man Football team played in the first-ever Illinois 8-Man Football Championship. Although they did not win the game, they did a great job getting there and played with a lot of heart.

Mr. Eskridge thanked all staff and students involved with once-again, organizing such a great Veteran’s Day program. Also, a thank you to Mrs. Geils and all of the students who made the great Veteran’s Day cards for a community member that is a Veteran and is now in a nursing

home in Woodstock. Mr. Eskridge took the cards to him and read them all and they were very much appreciated by him.

Consent Agenda

The following were reviewed under the consent agenda:

- *A. Approval of October 16, 2018 Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes
- *B. Recap of October 2018 Expenditures
- *C. Treasurer's Report for October 2018
- *D. Approval of Current Invoices & Payroll
- *E. Personnel Report

Mr. Eskridge moved, Mr. Winkelman seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: Mr. Norton, Mr. Winkelman, Mrs. Combs, Mr. Madsen, Mr. Eskridge, Mrs. Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Stauss

BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION

Tiffany Elswick-ES Principal Report-as presented

Tim Hayunga-MS/HS Principal Report-as presented

Mr. Hayunga added that MAP testing will begin in the MS/HS after Thanksgiving and IReady testing will be in January. Also, AHHS hosted the IHSA Volleyball Regional in October. He offered compliments to Mr. Lalor and the Volleyball coaches for accomplishing that.

Dr. Debbie Ehlenburg-Superintendent Report-as presented

Dr. Ehlenburg presented the BOE with two different schedule options for Board Meetings for the 2019 calendar year. Dr. Ehlenburg also shared that she will be applying for the Property Tax Relief Grant on behalf of the District.

Mr. Eskridge moved, Mr. Madsen seconded to approve the times and dates for the 2019 BOE Meetings.

Motion Carried.

Village

The Village Meeting for 11/19 was rescheduled to 11/26.

Finance

Mrs. Syens discussed with the BOE the 2018 Tax Levy of 3.94% for Alden-Hebron SD #19.

Mr. Madsen moved, Mr. Eskridge seconded to approve the 2018 Tax Levy.

Ayes: Mr. Norton, Mr. Winkelman, Mrs. Combs, Mr. Madsen, Mr. Eskridge, Mrs. Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Stauss

Motion carried

Physical Structures and Maintenance-as presented

Mr. Redden added that there has been some trouble with the new boiler at the MS/HS. His staff has been taking turns going in on the weekends periodically to reset it because it is shutting itself off; the old boiler is also in need of repair.

Dr. Ehlenburg stated that she has met with two different construction management companies to discuss a possible new MS/HS building. The BOE will decide at the December meeting whether or not to enter into an agreement with either company. Also to be discussed and decided on in December is ballot language for a referendum in the April 2019 election. This needs to be submitted to the county no later than January 14, 2019.

Transportation-as presented

Mrs. Erckfritz stated that winter fuel blend has been added so the District fleet is all set for the change of seasons.

Athletics-Mr. Lalor was present with a fall athletic wrap-up:

The MS Soccer team had a 5-8 record in their conference and were awarded the Sportsmanship Award. He stated that the MS athletic teams have had more boys than girls participating so far this year, but that seems to be a cyclical thing. MS Flag Football had 16-18 participants and they hosted a FFB Jamboree at the end of their season.

The HS Girls Volleyball team hosted the Regional for the first time at District 19. This was possible because of the new speaker system in the Tigard Gym. He mentioned that senior, Melanie Nielsen has committed to St. Norbert College and will play volleyball for them next year. The HS 8-Man Football team had a great year and played in the first Illinois 8-Man Football Championship.

Looking forward to the winter season, he stated that the Athletic Co-op with Faith Lutheran High School is going well and that some of their students are quite interested in joining the Giants-In-Motion Dance Team.

COMMUNICATIONS

Public Comments

None

Staff Comments

None

Board Comments

None

Executive Session

Mr. Eskridge moved, Mr. Winkelman seconded to go into executive Session at 7:50pm for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance of specific employees; possible litigation.

Ayes: Mr. Norton, Mr. Winkelman, Mrs. Combs, Mr. Madsen, Mr. Eskridge, Mrs. Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Stauss

Motion Carried

Returned to Open Session at 10:27pm.

Adjournment

Mr. Madsen moved, Mr. Eskridge seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:28pm.

Motion Carried.

President

Secretary