

## **MINUTES**

### **January 23, 2023**

The Board of School Trustees of the Attica Consolidated School Corporation met at 5:30 p.m. for a regular meeting in the Attica High School Library, 211 E. Sycamore Street, Attica, IN 47918. Members present were Kelly Hiller, Jill Mandeville, Laurie Pierce, Chris Gayler, and Chris VanDeWater.. Also present were Dawn Puckett, Interim Superintendent, Deanna Hutts, Treasurer, Chris Goris, Deputy Treasurer, Elisha Goodwin, Administrative Assistant, Dusty Goodwin, Elementary School Principal and DJ Jensen, High School Principal.

#### **AGENDA AND MINUTES**

Laurie Pierce made a motion the board approve the agenda and the minutes of the December 19, 2022 and January 4, 2023 meetings, seconded by Chris Gayler and passed 5-0.

#### **CELEBRATING SUCCESS**

##### **AES-**

###### **3rd Grade**

**Reagan Askren** - Mrs.DeSutter shared that this is her second year teaching Reagan and has enjoyed getting to know her. Reagan is hard working and perseveres through hard tasks. She is a friend to all, caring, willing to help others. Her NWEA scores improved tremendously in reading this year. Mrs. DeSutter is proud of Reagan.

**Abel Barnett** - Mrs. Evans shared this is her second year teaching Abel and he was new to Attica last year. Last year he was shy and had a hard time adjusting to the new school environment. This year he is outgoing, friendly, wonderful math skills, and helps other students at his table. His confidence level has soared this school year. Mrs. Evans stated she is lucky to have him as her student.

##### **AHS-**

###### ***Fine Arts field trip to Chicago, Illinois with Mr. Berg, Mrs. DeAnda and Ms. Medendorp.***

Mr. Jensen introduced the group from the fine arts department and shared that they received a grant through the community foundation and held fundraisers in order to take the trip. Ms. Medendorp stated they took a 50 passenger Coach bus to see the Lion King on Broadway and ate dinner at the Hard Rock Cafe. Noah Blankenship said it was interesting to see how the students connected to the show. He stated the students enjoyed seeing the arts outside the classroom. Carissa Laidley shared how the actors have made art their life and how enjoyable the big city was to visit. Mrs. DeAnda stated that the students were able to see opportunities they can achieve outside of television acting. Mrs. Balensiefer stated how the trip was well planned and all the students were well behaved.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD**

Jill Mandeville was approached by Attica alumni stating they would like to make donations for school improvements. She suggested the board create an Advisory Council for the school.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

1. Chris VanDeWater made a motion that the Board approve the resolution to transfer from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund, seconded by Jill Mandeville, motion passed 5-0.
2. Jill Mandeville made a motion that the Board approve the allowance of transfers as indicated on the Budget Transaction Edit Report, seconded by Laurie Pierce, motion passed 5-0.
3. Chris Gayler made a motion that the board review the Board Policy Handbook updated policies Vol 35, No 1 (First reading): 0131.1 - Bylaws and Policies (Revised), 0142.2 - Oath (Technical Correction), 0167.3 - Public Participation at Board Meetings (Revised), 1521/3121/4121 - Personal Background Checks, References, and Mandatory Reporting of Convictions and Substantiated Child Abuse And Arrests (Revised), 2431 - Interscholastic Athletics (Revised), 2432 - Grievance Procedure for Violation of State Law Limiting Participation of Transgender Girls in Athletics (New), 2435 - Driver Education (Revised), 2464 - Programs for High Ability Students (Revised), 3120.02 - Adjunct Teachers (New), 3120.11 - Public Hearing Before Commencement of Collective Bargaining and Public Meeting Before Ratification of Tentative Agreement (Revised), 3220.02 - Supplemental Payments for Teachers (Revised), 5420 Reporting Student Progress (Revised), 5610 - Suspension and Expulsion of Students (Revised), 6250 - Required ADM Counts for the Purpose of State Funding and Verification of Residency for Membership (Revised), 6550 - Travel Payment and Reimbursement (Revised), 8120 - Volunteers (Revised), 8121 - Personal Background Check - Contracted Services (Revised), 8210 - School Calendar (Revised), 8220 - School Day (Revised), 8400 - School Safety (Revised), 8510 - Wellness (Revised), 8600 - Transportation (Revised), seconded by Chris VanDeWater, motion passed 5-0.
4. Chris VanDeWater made a motion that the Board approve the Board Policy Handbook updated New Bylaw 0164.5 - Member participation in meeting through electronic means of communication, seconded by Jill Mandeville, motion passed 5-0.
5. Jill Mandeville made a motion to approve the addition of the Junior High Swim (co-ed) coaching position to the Extra Curricular Schedule with a stipend of \$1150, seconded by Laurie Pierce, motion passed 5-0.
6. Laurie Pierce made a motion that the Board approve the personnel sheet for January 23, 2023 the hiring of Junior High Softball Coach - Jen Melinski, Junior High Swim Coach - Emma Saunders, seconded by Chris Gayler, motion passed 5-0.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS OF INTEREST

**February 1 ADM Count Estimate** - The report is showing an estimate of 511 students. The number is down from the Fall ADM count, but a number of school corporations lose students from the fall to spring count date.

**Digital Learning Parent & Family Support Grant** - A grant was obtained in the amount of \$14,978 to use monthly on interactive activities for parents and students to help with FAFSA and 21 Century Scholars.

**AHS 100% Graduation Rate 2022-** The Attica High School class of 2022 was one of only 9 high schools in the state of Indiana to achieve a graduation rate of 100%. Attica Consolidated School Corporation was 1 of 3 corporations in the state of Indiana to achieve a 100% graduation rate.

**Girls High School Basketball Sectional-** Attica will host the IHSSA sectional January 31st, February 3rd and 4th, 2023. Mr Lathrop, Athletic Director, has been in communication with IHSSA regarding the possible play on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 if any cancellations due to inclement weather.

**REPORT OF CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS**

Monthly financial reports and necessary claims were presented to the board to be approved as well as the approval of the monthly transfer from the Education fund to the Operations fund in the amount of \$50,000. Jill Mandeville made a motion to combine and approve the financial claims for the month of January and monthly transfer amount from Education fund to Operations fund, seconded by Chris Gayler, and passed 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Chris Gayler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

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Kelly Hiller

President

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Chris Gayler

Member

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Jill Mandeville

Vice President

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Chris VanDeWater

Member

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Laurie Pierce

Secretary

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The Board of School Trustees of the Attica Consolidated School Corporation met at 6:00 p.m. for a Board of Finance meeting in the Attica High School Library, 211 E. Sycamore Street, Attica, IN 47918. Members present were Kelly Hiller, Jill Mandeville, Laurie Pierce, Chris Gayler and Chris VanDeWater, Also present were Dawn Puckett, Interim Superintendent, Deanna Hutts, Treasurer, and Chris Goris, Deputy Treasurer, and Elisha Goodwin, Administrative Assistant, Dusty Goodwin, Attica Elementary Principal, DJ Jensen, Attica High School Principal.

**AGENDA**

Chris Gayler made a motion the board approve the agenda for the Board of Finance meeting, seconded by Chris VanDeWater and passed 5-0.

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

1. Chris Gayler made a motion that the Board approve the election of Board Finance Officers for the 2023 Fiscal year be the same as the officers of the ACSC Board of Trustees, seconded by Laurie Pierce, motion passed 5-0.
2. Jill Mandeville made a motion that the Board approve the review of ACSC finances seconded by Laurie Pierce, motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Jill Mandeville made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

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Kelly Hiller

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Chris Gayler

\_\_\_\_\_ Vice President  
Jill Mandeville

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Chris VanDeWater

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary  
Laurie Pierce