

ANDOVER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT - ANDOVER SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, September 9, 2020, at 5:00 PM- Meeting Room

Members Present: Chairperson, Paula Lee; Tim Akers; Pete Coolidge; Betty Davis;
Lindsay Sharkey

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Susan A. Pratt, Superintendent of Schools

Guests Present:None

A. Call to Order: at 5:01 PM by Paula Lee

B. Pledge of Allegiance: by all

C. Adjustment to Agenda

Discussion:Add under I- Consideration of a long-term sub for Music and additional support for the school with an ed tech.

Under J. Add an item for review of Constellation Energy Contract

Motion: to add these items- Paula Lee Second: Lindsey Sharkey Vote: Yes 5 No: 0

D. Visitor's Comment- None

E. Communication: Lindsay Sharkey resigned from being on the Region 9 Board. The School Board discussed the need to fill the vacancy and agreed that Pete Coolidge was appointed to the Region 9 Board as Andover's representative. The Chair and other members of the Board thanked Lindsay Sharkey for her time serving as the Representative for several years.

F. Approval of the Minutes of 8/12/2020

Discussion:

Motion to approve: Paula Lee Second:Pete Coolidge Vote: Yes: 3 No: 0
Abstained: 2 (Tim Akers, Betty Davis)

H. Staff Reports

Superintendent of Schools Report :

Review of Opening of School- Supt. Pratt reviewed the protocols in place and gave an update to the Board about how the new procedures are going. Safety procedures are going well. All staff are working to support safety and students are adjusting well.

Staff Training- The teachers are gearing up for the possibility of remote learning and iPads have been ordered, however are not in yet. The school has enough devices to

support families if needed. The school has a few hotspots available as well should a family need those. The staff has a plan to use Google Classroom and have been using the machines much more during school to train students in their use while they are in attendance. The staff also has developed a plan for contacting parents about times for instruction and hope to be partners with parents in this process.

Enrollment- We are currently at 34 students at AES and have not yet gotten final numbers for students attending other school such as RSU 44 and 10.

Grants- Updates- We are currently working with Community Energy on a plan for air handling in classrooms. The other needed supplies such as fans, PPE and such are in place and were ordered through a grant as well. We are expecting a second round of grants to schools but have not heard for sure at this point in time.

Access for Remote Preparations Update- We should be ready, and staff have been directed that it could happen at any point in time so to be ready. Staff are surveying parents at this time.

MSMA Annual Fall Conference- Virtual- 10/30.10/31- Not exactly sure how this will work but the annual conference would be this Friday and Saturday. Most board members are interested. The Board appointed Paula Lee to be the delegate representative to the assembly. Supt. Pratt will make sure the paperwork is processed.

I Hiring recommendations:

Recommendation to hire Ed Tech III- Katherine McGaughy. Supt Pratt nominated Katherine McGaughy as a full time Ed Tech III. Paula Lee felt she should abstain due to any possible perception of conflict of interest. Motion to approve the Supt. Nomination: Lindsay Sharkey Seconded: Betty Davis
Vote: Yes-4 No-0 Abstain- 1 (Paula Lee)

Supt Pratt reviewed an option to hire a part time music long-term substitute and to hire this person as an Ed Tech for a total of 2 days per week. The Board was in support so Supt.Pratt recommended that we hire Amy Stetson for this position.

Motion to approve the Supt. Nomination: Paula Lee Seconded: Lindsay Sharkey
Vote: Yes-5 No-0

Supt. Pratt read a resignation from Sally Keeney to resign from the School Nurse portion of her position effective Nov. 1, 2020.

Motion to accept the resignation: Paula Lee Seconded: Betty Davis
Vote; Yes-5 No- 0

J. Committees:

Facilities Committee

Review of a proposal from Constellation Energy for power.

Discussion: The board discussed this and directed the Supt. To enter into this agreement.

Motion to approve the recommended contract: Paula Lee Seconded: Betty Davis
Vote: Yes-5 No-0

Review and Acceptance of Fuel Bid

Discussion: The Board discussed a bid for fuel oil from Community Energy of \$1.599/gallon

Motion to approve: Paula Lee Second: Lindsay Sharkey
Vote: Yes- 5 No-0

Other Committees- None

K. Announcements

- Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, October 14, 2020	Regular Board Meeting	AES
Thursday, Friday 10/30-10/31	MSMA Annual Fall Conference	Virtual
Wednesday, November 18, 2020(Veteran's Day change of date)	Reg. Board	AES

H. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Paula Lee Second: Pete Coolidge Vote: Yes-5 No-0

Time: 6:25 PM