

## Press Release

The **Public Hearing, Truth in Taxation**, of the Board of Education of Altamont Community Unit School District Number 10 was held in the Board of Education Room at 7 South Ewing Street, on **Monday evening, December 11, 2017 at 6:45 p.m.**

- No testimony was provided

The **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Education of Altamont Community Unit School District Number 10 was held in the Board of Education Room at 7 South Ewing Street on **Monday evening, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

Call to Order 7:00 p.m.

### Public Comment:

### Presentations:

- Heard presentation from Mrs. Meredith Dust and Mr. Neil Winter regarding High School Math curriculum and sequencing.

### Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Minutes of November 13, 2017 Regular Meeting
- Approval of District Financial Reports:
  - Listing of Bills
  - Reimbursement of Imprest Fund
  - End of the Month Fund Balances for August were approved after clarification.
    - Utilities Tracking
    - Fuel Purchases
    - Cash Flow Analysis
  - Activity Accounts
    - ACHS
    - AGS

### Administration Reports:

#### Mr. Hill – AGS Principal

Enrollment as of Wednesday, December 6th.

<i><b>Class</b></i>	<i><b>This Month</b></i>	<i><b>Last Month</b></i>	<i><b>Last Year</b></i>
TLC/DDC	7	7	9
Pre-K/ECE	13 1/2	14 1/2	16
Kindergarten	50 1/2	50 1/2	40
First Grade	35	35	48
Second Grade	43	42	45
Third Grade	38	38	48
Fourth Grade	43	43	31
Fifth Grade	26	26	68
Sixth Grade	59	59	53
Seventh Grade	57	56	47
Eighth Grade	43	42	47
Total	415	413	452

\*Santa's Kottage was last week. Thank you PTO and teachers for helping the students buy family gifts again this year.

\*Grades K-3 Winter Music and Arts program is tomorrow in the ACHS gym. This show always has a very large turnout. Mrs. Lawler and Mrs. Boehm as well as all the teachers and students involved have worked very hard. Mrs. Lawler will also be recording the event and making a DVD to sell to parents and family of students. Proceeds will go toward a new piano for the music department.

\*Grade 5-12 Winter Band program was yesterday. Mrs. Berg and students were, once again, outstanding. Congratulations to all on a great show.

\*Preparations for January 3<sup>rd</sup> Teacher In-service are ongoing.

\*All teachers due to be evaluated will be completed by the 21<sup>st</sup> of December. Second evaluations for Non-Tenured teachers will begin in January.

### **ACHS – Mr. Tkachuk**

#### **Altamont High School December, 2017**

1. The faculty have been discussing possible changes to the schedule for next year, which would include changing the start and end times at the high school. We will have more discussion at our meeting Wednesday, and I should have a proposal for the board in January for consideration at your annual work weekend.
2. The Parent Advisory which was scheduled for Tuesday, December 12 has been pushed back to December 14 at 4:30 p.m. due to the Elementary Winter Fine Arts Festival tomorrow.
3. There will be an open house for the CTEC program this Friday, December 15.
4. Final Exams will be held on a three day schedule on Tuesday, December 19, Wednesday, December 20, and Thursday, December 21. Students will be released after the morning exams at 11:06, and teachers will complete grading exams that afternoon.
5. Our current attendance rate is 94.6%, and we are keeping track of six chronically absent students. We have also placed an emphasis on tardiness, and the results have been positive thanks to the efforts of our staff.
6. We are working with the Illinois Virtual School on a possible on-line pilot program for AP U.S. History. We have some questions that need to be answered, and it may be something that will be delayed until next year, but we have made it clear that we are most willing to pilot the program when they are ready.
7. Homecoming went very well, with a win over Vandalia and a great dance on Saturday. Teresa Lee and the student council did a great job organizing, and Courtnie Mullen and Leigh Ann Stuckemeyer were awesome in their support of Teresa while she remains on maternity leave.
8. Enrollment is as follows:

Freshmen.....	54 (E)
Sophomores.....	55 (+1)
Juniors.....	74 (-1)
<u>Seniors.....</u>	<u>58 (-1)</u>
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>241 (-1)</b>

## **Superintendent's Report December 2017**

### **Building & Grounds:**

- Water Bill: As mentioned in your weekly update, the City of Altamont will be adjusting our bill to reflect water usage as a result of us watering the baseball diamond and the sod around the new playground.

- High School Baseball Field Lights: Mr. Dane Milleville and Mr. Kyle Stuemke will be in attendance at the January Board meeting to provide details on this project.

- Sound Baffles for HS Gym: We have received the quote from G&S and it exceeds the limit for not bidding. If we would like to move forward with this project, Alan and I will work with them to create bid specifications and the Board will have to authorize for letting of bids.

### **Technology:**

- Next Generation Device: The Team will be setting a meeting to discuss and finalize what our next device will be. Our lease ends in June, so we will need to make decisions on how many of the current devices we want to purchase and how many new devices moving forward.

Polycom Distance Learning: All of the schools and representatives participated in a conference call on November 29<sup>th</sup>. We planned a face-to-face meeting in December in Champaign. I will be working to have an intergovernmental agreement crafted for the shared course(s). We will also be working with each district's principals and guidance counselors on courses to share and access via the technology. The process is moving along well and will provide more educational opportunities for our students.

### **Other:**

District Emergency Response Team: The team is scheduled to meet on December 5<sup>th</sup>, I will provide a status update at the meeting.

Hiring Flowchart: Enclosed in your packet are two flowcharts that we use to accept applications, screen and recommend for employment. You will notice that there is one for certified personnel as well as non-certified personnel.

State of Illinois Pilot for Advanced Placement (AP) US History: The State of Illinois Lt. Governor's office is offering a pilot for school districts/high schools to access via Illinois Virtual School the opportunity to take and receive credit for AP US History. Mr. Tkachuk, Mrs. Elam and I have met and submitted questions to the State contact. I spoke directly with Mr. Cantu from the State and he was encouraged that Altamont High School was interested in participating. We will keep you informed.

### **Old Business:**

- Discussed Strategic Planning
- Approved Tax Levy as presented
- Approved 2018 Board Regular Meeting Dates and Times as amended

- Tabled Trap Shooting Club

**New Business:**

- Discussed six month District Financials and Ten year trend data

Closed session to discuss

- a. Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance of specific employees of the district;
- b. Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, semi-annual review of minutes;
- c. Collective Bargaining Matters Between the District and Its Employees or their Representatives, or Deliberations Concerning Salary Schedules for One or More Classes of Employees

Action as a result of Closed Session

- a. Kept closed the previous six months closed session minutes

Adjourned – 10:28 p.m.