

Arvon Township School Board Meeting  
Minutes  
December 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

Mission statement

Present: Mary Rogala, Steve Fair, Terri Martin, and Nancy Soli. Absent: Sue Bollech  
Staff present: Lori Johnson and Kathy Drue

Adopt Agenda: Motion made by Fair to adopt agenda, seconded by Soli. All were in favor.

The November 8, 2016 minutes were read by Rogala. No corrections or changes to minutes.  
Motion made by Soli to approve minutes, seconded by Fair. All were in favor.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence.

Visitors: There were no visitors.

Principal's Report—Lori Johnson:

- Johnson reported that the Christmas program was a success and enjoyed by all who attended.
- Johnson reported that R&A (bussing) has a sub bus for ATS. They are waiting for the final inspection before bringing it to the school.
- IEP (Individual Education Plan) for student. We have a student who will have an active IEP. Johnson has had numerous meetings with ISD and they have suggested that the best solution is to have a teacher consultant from ISD manage the student's learning. The TC would visit the school on a regular basis, plan curriculum for the student, and monitor the student's progress. The classroom teacher would oversee the plan and an aide would make sure the curriculum is delivered to the student. This would involve using one of our current aides who would work with the student several hours each day.
  - Baraga and L'Anse schools are unable to take this student into either of their programs.
  - Title I funds cannot be used to cover the cost and ATS may not be able to use REAP funds. Cost may have to come out of school's general fund.
  - Johnson will check to see if ATS has any responsibility for the cost of the teacher consultant from ISD.
  - Board has concerns about having resources to handle special education student needs in general, and may look at a policy to only allow students within the district to be eligible at ATS. Most schools have a teacher specifically hired for special education students, which is not an option for ATS.
  - Johnson has a meeting with ISD and parents of student on January 20.
  - Discussion will continue at January 10, 2016 school board meeting, prior to Johnson's meeting with the parents and ISD.

Finance report, monthly statement and bills were provided by Drue.

- Balance sheet as of November 30, 2016 reflected total liabilities & equity of \$567,067.26

#### Audit

- The Report on Financial Statements dated June 30, 2016, prepared by Rukkila/Negro & Associates, was distributed. Board members will review and bring forward at next meeting for discussion and approval.

#### Old Business:

- A. Bid for safety film on windows and doors. No response or bids received. Continue to seek bids when potential vendors identified. State Police may be able to provide information.
- B. DP Construction Proposal for caulking of windows doors and replacement of aluminum window wraps was reviewed. Cost proposed for labor and material is \$1,500, with 60 day acceptance period. Board members expressed disappointment that this was not fully covered under the original warranty. A discount has apparently been factored into the bid, but how much is not indicated. Unlikely any work can be done before next spring. Board decided that it should move forward with the project and Rogala signed the acceptance of the proposal. Drue will fax to DP.
- C. Scholarship fund—No new donations, however, fund has reached \$1,000 mark. Possible application to KBIC for a contribution will be discussed at next meeting.
- D. Fair asked if Larson Well service was contacted about water pressure problem. Drue and Johnson said that problem doesn't seem extraordinary and they are monitoring it. No action taken at this time.
- E. Midwest Security bid for parking lot motion detectors. Rogala signed proposal at last meeting and Drue faxed to Midwest, but no response has come. Drue will call Midwest to confirm receipt of proposal. Unlikely anything can be done until spring.

#### New Business:

- A. Piano in gym needs to be disposed of. It is beyond repair and should be disassembled and either taken to disposal station and/or some parts salvaged. Johnson and Drue will see if Charlie would be able to take care of it.
- B. Health insurance deductible for Lori Johnson. Maximum health insurance premium allowed is \$12,845.04. There is a \$2,600 deductible (provided through a debit card) that will be covered by Johnson through payroll deduction.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on motion by Fair, seconded by Soli and approved by all.  
Next meeting January 10, 2017.

*Mary Rogala*  
President

*Terri Martini*  
Acting Secretary