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**AMBRIDGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEET AND DISCUSS BOARD MEETING
VOTING AGENDA
September 8, 2021**

7:00 p.m.

High School Auditorium

I. Call to Order

The Meet and Discuss Voting Board Meeting of the Ambridge Area School District is held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. This meeting is being held to take action that has come before the Board. All meetings have been advertised to permit legislative action as necessary.

II. Flag salute-please rise

III. Notice: This meeting is being recorded for District purposes. It is or may be published in part or in its entirety on the District's website without the express permission of meeting participants.

IV. Roll Call

V. Sunshine Law

VI. Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of the Agenda

VII. Recognition/Presentation

Presentation by Principals – Field Trips and Specials

VIII. Public Comment (Regarding Agenda Items Only)

At this time, DISTRICT RESIDENTS may come forward to comment on agenda items only. Each person must state their first and last name and address prior to speaking. Each resident will be allowed three minutes and can speak only once. This period for public comment prior to the standing committee reports will be limited to one-half hour. Although not required, board members desiring to address questions or concerns may do so after the residents' comments/questions or at the conclusion of the committee reports. There will still be an opportunity for residents to comment on any business relevant to the Ambridge Area School District under Old and New Business at the end of the meeting.

IX. LEGISLATIVE ACTION FOR THIS MEETING

Education and Technology

Dr. Manganello

1. Middle School Handbook

It is recommended to amend the Middle School handbook to change the bell schedule transition time from two (2) to three (3) minutes.

2. Student Discipline 2021-2022-01

It is recommended to ratify discipline agreement for student #5438315299 relevant to a High School student, effective September 2, 2021.

3. Student Discipline 2021-2022-02

It is recommended to ratify discipline agreement for student #1374035157 relevant to a High School student, effective September 2, 2021.

4. Student Discipline 2021-2022-03

It is recommended to affirm the recommended discipline for student 2911075749, as recommended by the superintendent after the hearing.

5. Student Discipline 2021-2022-04

It is recommended that the Board take no further action to extend the exclusion of Student 3907674847 beyond the 10 day suspension with the following conditions: (1) Student shall not bring pepper spray or similar weapon on school property or at school activities, and (2) If Student commits a Level 2, 3 or 4 offense, Student will be brought to the School Board for review and further proceedings.

Personnel

Mr. Angus

1. Middle School Principal

It is recommended to hire Ronnell Heard as the Ambridge Area Middle School Principal at a salary of \$97,000.00, effective date to be determined, pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening.

2. Temporary Athletic Program Assistant

It is recommended to ratify the approval of Matthew LaPorte as the Temporary Athletic Program Assistant, effective Monday, August 30, 2021, to provide support for the Athletic Director, to be paid as per the agreement between the Ambridge Area School District and the Ambridge Area Education Association, until the position of Middle School Principal is filled.

3. Professional Employee

It is recommended to approve Ashley Schmidt as an Ambridge Area High School Life Skills Teacher, at a salary of \$46,101.00 (Bachelor, Step 1 +24), effective date to be determined, as per the terms of the Ambridge Area Education Association AAEEA/PSEA Agreement, pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening.

4. Posted Positions: Clubs / Activities

It is recommended the following individuals who have applied for the specified posted positions for the 2021-2022 school year be approved at the rate of pay as per the collective bargaining agreement, provided the school year allows and sponsors are able to hold activities as normal.

ACTIVITY/CLUB (High School)

Spanish Club

Sarah Bogan

SALARY

\$ 470.00

ACTIVITY/CLUB (Middle School)

Technology Student Association – TSA

Scott Setzenfand

SALARY

\$ 470.00

Student Council

Samantha King

\$ 470.00

Science Explorers Club

Don Ayers

\$ 470.00

Interact

Amy Braund

\$ 470.00

5. Posted Position: Department Head

It is recommended the following individual who has applied for the specified posted position for the 2021-2022 school year be approved at the salary designated in the negotiated agreement:

DEPARTMENT HEADS

K-12:

Guidance

Chelsea Benedict

SALARY

\$1,365.00

6. 2021-2022 Fall Coach

It is recommended to approve the following individual to fill the designated fall coaching position for the 2021-2022 school year at a salary as per the terms of the collective bargaining agreement, pending receipt of current clearances, satisfactory drug screening, TB testing and responses by current/former employers to Act 168 screening, provided the school year allows and coaches are able to hold fall sports as normal.

1) Girls Varsity Soccer

David Smith, Head Coach

Stipend

\$4,300.00

7. Technology Integrator

It is recommended to approve the following individual to serve as the Technology Integrator in their assigned buildings for the 2021-2022 school year, to be paid a stipend of \$1,200.00, as per the collective bargaining agreement:

Middle School

Amy Fedorek

Salary Schedule and Labor Relations

Mrs. Curtis

1. Memorandum of Understanding

It is recommended to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ambridge Area School District and the Ambridge Area Educational Support Personnel Association, PSEA/NEA regarding the collective bargaining agreement, Article XVII, “Hours of Work”, Section A, “Work Year”.

X. Superintendent's Report

XI. Solicitor's Report

XII. Old and New Business

It is now time for old and new business. Any DISTRICT RESIDENT who desires to comment on any business relevant to the Ambridge Area School District should now come forward. Each person must state their first and last name and address prior to speaking. Each person will be allowed three minutes and can speak only once.

XIII. Motion to Adjourn the Voting Meeting

RECONVENE THE MEET AND DISCUSS