

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ALBION CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ALBION, NEW YORK 14411
August 04, 2025 SUMMARY
OF A REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
7:00 am**

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Mrs. Weller, called the meeting to order at 7:00 am.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Appointment of Interim Board of Education Member

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District Clerk, Cindy Ishmael, has administered the Oath of Office to Mr. David Sidari, Interim Board Member and to Mr. Christopher Kinter, Board Member.

RECOGNITION - None

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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2. PUBLIC FORUM

- A. 2025-2026 Code of Conduct - Public Comment

Superintendent Edwards shared that the amended 2025-2026 Code of Conduct had been posted on the website for thirty days for public comment. There were no public comments made regarding the amendments to the Code of Conduct.

3. BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Minutes of July 07, 2025 Reorganizational Meeting
- Minutes of July 07, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- B. Extra-Classroom Activity Fund Report for May 2025
- Extra-Classroom Activity Fund Report for June 2025
- C. Extra-Classroom Activity Fund Audit Report for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025
- D. CSE & CPSE Recommendations
- E. Building Use Request
- F. Fundraiser Requests

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G. Budget Transfer Request:

- \$800 - Additional Supplies for High School

The Budget Transfer Request was provided for Board Members' information only.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Board President, Mrs. Weller, shared a thank you card with the Board that was received from a staff member.

5. PRESENTATIONS - None

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Adopt 2025-2026 Code of Conduct

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- B. Adopt Policy 5685 - Maximum Temperature for School Buildings and Indoor Facilities

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8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Personnel

1. 2025-2026 Appointments:

a. Matthew Confer

Position: Instrumental Teacher @ HS
Certification: Music, Professional
Probationary Period: 09/01/25 - 08/31/29
Tenure Area: Music K-12
Salary: Step 5

b. Nicole Mauro

Position: Community School Public Relations Coordinator
Start Date: 08/18/25
Civil Service Classification: Competitive
Probationary Period: Provisional Appointment
Salary: \$60,000

c. Dawn Voorhees

Position: Monitor @ MS
Start Date: 09/02/25
Civil Service Classification: Non-Competitive
Probationary Period: 09/02/25 - 09/01/26
Salary: \$16.00/hr.

2. 2025 Summer Camp Program Appointment:
 - a. Kyra Burgess
 Position: Boys' Basketball Camp Coach
 07/14/25 - 07/17/25

3. 2025-2026 Extra-Curricular Appointment:
 - a. Dana Martin
 Position: HS Japanese Club

4. 2025-2026 Extra-Curricular Athletic Appointments:
 - a. Daniel Ward
 Position: Modified Football Volunteer
 Coach
 **Pending all coaching
 requirements are met

 - b. Sarah McCormick
 Position: Fall Athletic Ticket Manager

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B. 2025 Tax Warrant

Kimberly DeFrank, Albion Central School District Tax Collector is hereby commanded to receive and collect from several persons named in the final tax roll as submitted by the assessors in the towns named below, the sums named in the columns thereof opposite their respective names and represented by the town wide summary listed below, within 30 days after giving notice of this tax roll and warrant as required by section 420 - 421 of the Education Law. On all taxes remaining unpaid after 30 days, you are entitled to receive and collect in addition to said taxes remaining unpaid, up to 5 cents on every dollar, as your fee for collecting the same.

You will proceed to collect such taxes in the manner provided by Article 4 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, and are hereby directed to pay over all taxes collected to the Treasurer of the Albion Central School District for the towns of Albion, Barre, Carlton, Gaines, Kendall, Murray and Ridgeway in Orleans County and the Town of Elba in Genesee County.

If any person named in such Tax rolls shall neglect or refuse to pay taxes assessed to them, or the fees for collecting the same, you are authorized to remand such payments to the respective counties for collection on the next ensuing assessment of Property Taxes including such penalty amounts prescribed herein.

TOWN	Assessed Value	School Levy	Library Levy	School Tax Rate	Library Tax Rate
ALBION	\$330,597,258	\$3,449,272.16	\$268,445.13	\$10.433457	\$0.812000
BARRE	\$107,374,907	\$1,364,483.26	\$106,193.10	\$12.707655	\$0.988994
CARLTON	\$147,088,455	\$1,567,645.81	\$122,004.55	\$10.657844	\$0.829464
GAINES	\$186,811,540	\$1,949,072.42	\$151,689.68	\$10.433362	\$0.811993
KENDALL	\$1,272,021	\$14,491.82	\$1,127.85	\$11.392752	\$0.886659
MURRAY	\$5,978,386	\$97,140.87	\$7,560.14	\$16.248678	\$1.264579
RIDGEWAY	\$252,359	\$2,779.23	\$216.30	\$11.012993	\$0.857104
ELBA	\$419,043	\$4,153.43	\$323.25	\$9.911694	\$0.771393
TOTALS	\$779,793,969	\$8,449,039.00	\$657,560.00		

Given under our hands this 4th day of August 2025.

Resolved, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Mickey Edwards, on a motion by Mr. Kast, seconded by Mr. Kinter, the Board approved the 2025 Tax Warrant.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Linda Weller	VOTING YES
Lauren Stirk	VOTING YES
Kurt Schmitt	VOTING YES
Trellis Pore	VOTING ABSENT
Christopher Kinter	VOTING YES
John Kast	VOTING YES
Kelly Kirby	VOTING YES
David Sidari	VOTING ABSENT
Porsche Taylor	VOTING YES

The resolution was thereupon declared duly.

C. 2025-2026 Transportation Contracts

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D. 2025-2026 Parent Transportation Contract

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E. Renewal of "2021-2022 Snow Removal and Ice Control" Bid

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- F. Adoption of Albion Central School District Building-Level Emergency Response Plans (Confidential)

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- G. 2025-2026 Surplus Items for Auction/Discard

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- H. 2026 Close Up Trip to Washington, D.C. -
March 1-6, 2026

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- I. Memorandum of Agreement - Flaum Eye Institute

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- J. Title I Funds Use - for Professional Development (Additions-Updates)

Event: Summer Professional Development
*Above and beyond the required ATA 15 contractual hours
*Approved for facilitating Professional Development and/or being requested to go above and beyond

Individuals: Cathy Galbreth
Cathy Hryhorenko

Rate: \$25/hour (after ATA contractual hours are met)

Timeline: June 30, 2025 - August 31, 2025

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- K. Donations:
- Donation of Coats, Assorted Clothing and Hygiene Products to the Ronald L. Sodoma Elementary School
 - Monetary Donation to the Albion Soccer Club

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- Q. Volunteers

A list of volunteers was submitted for Board Members' information.

9. ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS

- A. BOE President Report

Board President, Mrs. Weller, shared with the Board that she had attended the Rural Schools Association Conference in Lake Placid. It

was her first time attending one of their events and found it different to see local schools participating. NYSSBA Conferences include full state-wide participation. It was nice to visit vendor booths where they asked her to share a "hello" with Superintendent Edwards. It felt good that our District is already part of them; that they knew us.

B. Athletic Director's Report

The Athletic Director's Report was provided for Board Members' review.

C. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Edwards invited the Building Principals present at the meeting to share information with the Board regarding the Bell to Bell Committee Meeting that had recently been held.

High School Principal, Mrs. Ashbery shared that on July 21st the Cell Phone Committee met and developed an FAQ that will be going out this week. It addresses questions parents might have surrounding the Policy that was adopted at the July Board Meeting regarding the Use of Internet-Enabled Devices During the School Day. The Committee was comprised of all stakeholders including student representatives. All components were reviewed to determine the direction to go. The public will receive the information repeatedly so that questions can be answered before the first day of school.

High School Principal, Mrs. Ashbery and Middle School Principal, Mr. Pritchard reviewed each of the questions on the FAQ with the Board. The Legislation is clear regarding the bell to bell cell phone ban during the school day that begins in the 2025-2026 school year. A link to the Governor's Press Release has been provided in the FAQ for parents' reference. All cell phones are prohibited during the school day including the older flip phone models that don't connect to the internet. Classroom phones and office phones designated for student use will always allow students access to their parents. Students with a documented medical need involving the limited use of a personal device will work with administration to develop an appropriate plan on a case-by-case basis with the continued goal of minimizing distractions in the learning environment.

On September 2, 2025 from 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm, the Back to School Night will be held where the FAQ will be briefly shared again with parents.

10. BOARD DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
TBD	TBD	Board Facilities Tour	TBD
Monday	August 04, 2025	Regular Board of Education Meeting	7:00 am

(BOARD DATES - Continued)

Tuesday	September 02, 2025	Welcome Back Teachers Professional Development Day	TBD
Wednesday	September 03, 2025	First Day of School for Students	
Monday	September 08, 2025 (2 nd Monday)	Regular Board of Education Meeting	7:00 pm
Monday	October 06, 2025	Regular Board of Education Meeting	7:00 pm
Monday	November 03, 2025	Regular Board of Education Meeting	7:00 pm

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11. EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT

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12. OPEN SESSION

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13. ADJOURNMENT

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