

BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WEBB UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016
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6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Nahor, George Hildebrant, Sharon Evans, Joseph Phaneuf and Anne Garbarino
ALSO PRESENT: Rex Germer, John Swick, Jennifer Dunn and Diane Kull
OTHERS PRESENT: Jen Lis, Mike Cunningham, Brad Donovan

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President, Kathy Nahor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Kathy Nahor acknowledged receipt of a flyer to attend the Jefferson-Lewis School Boards Association Mid-Winter Dinner meeting and NYSSBA asking for a Board member to act as advocacy liaison to assist with the dissemination of information and coordination of advocacy activity.

Sharon Evans entered 6:35 pm Jennifer Dunn informed Board Members that we have a person from the NY State Comptroller’s Office conducting a review of our school. Also, reminded Board Members that the next Board meeting scheduled will be a time to discuss the budget before the 1st draft is reviewed.

Sharon Evans mentioned that it was good that the Holiday Ball was not impacted by the power outage and praised those involved that prompted delaying the planned outage until the Ball was over.

APPROVAL:
MINUTES 12/15/15 On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by S. Evans, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 15, 2015.

Vote: Yes- 5 No- 0

APPROVAL:
WARRANTS On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by J. Phaneuf, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to accept the warrants and claims:

- #11 Fund A with 1 check written for a total of \$61.94
- #12 Fund A with 72 checks written for a total of \$158,215.73
- BC/BS January 2016 Fund with 1 check written for a total of \$26, 897.02
- #10 Fund C with 9 checks written for a total of \$2,369.06
- December Payroll Fund TA with 20 checks written for a total of \$315,857.79

Vote: Yes- 5 No- 0

APPROVAL:
SCHOOL VOLUNTEER On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by J. Phaneuf, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Linda Gibbs as 2015-2016 classroom volunteer.

Vote: Yes - 5 No – 0

APPOINTMENT:
SUBSTITUTE On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by J. Phaneuf, the Board voted to appoint the following:

Substitute Teacher: Jaclyn Durr at the rate of \$70/day
Substitute Teacher Aide: Jaclyn Durr at the rate of \$9.75/hour
Sarah Branch at the rate of \$9.75/hour
Mackenzie Smith at the rate of \$9.75/hour
Substitute Cleaner: John DeVolder at the rate of \$9.00/hour
James Cole II at the rate of \$9.00/hour

Vote: Yes - 5 No –0

PERMANENT APPOINTMENT:

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the permanent appointment of Zachary Kotwica as Custodian, effective July 6, 2016 with a twenty-six (26) week probationary period (1/5 – 7/05/16).

Vote: Yes – 5 No – 0

APPOINTMENT: INSTRUCTOR

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded by J. Phaneuf, the Board voted to approve the following as 2015-2016 winter sport Instructor: Alpine Ski Lesson Instructor/\$15 hour – Diane Heroux

Vote: Yes – 5 No – 0

APPOINTMENT: SAT PREP INSTRUCTOR

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by S. Evans, seconded by G. Hildebrant, the Board voted to appoint G. Michael Cunningham as SAT Prep Instructor at the rate of \$35/hour.

Vote: Yes- 5 No- 0

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

John Swick, Principal reviewed the following:

- Thank you to our Mrs. Herrmann and our instrumental students involved in the Holiday Band concert performance on Wednesday, 12/16.
- The Student Council Volleyball Tournament held the Friday, 12/18 before break was a success. The faculty/staff team remained undefeated for the fourth year in a row!
- The Holiday Ball was a success with McCauley Mountain being the generous host of the event for the Student Council.
- Modified boys basketball began yesterday, 1/4, with the girls modified volleyball finishing up their season just before break.
- 15 Week Progress reports were mailed on Wednesday, 12/23.
- The Varsity Basketball Team won the Adirondack CSD Winter Basketball Tournament. The tournament co-MVPs were C. Barkauskas and S. Kimball.
- I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season with friends and family.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Rex Germer, Superintendent reviewed with the Board of Education:

- Happy New Year to everyone!
- As discussed previously we will be looking to have a BOE member act as a liaison to the Town Board. The new board members and supervisor are now in place for the Town and we will be looking to establish closer working relationships and communications between the two boards. Do we have a volunteer to do this? At this point we don't have any established guidelines or expectations.
- We applied for a grant to help us with cafeteria equipment purchases several months ago. Last week we were notified that we received part of the grant which will help us purchase new refrigeration for our walk in cooler and a new oven for the kitchen. Thank you to Jenn and Corey for working to get this application in and approved.
- The budgetary process is under way. Teachers have submitted their requests for next year and those requests are being gone over to see what is feasible and appropriate to budget for moving forward. The allowable tax levy increase will not offer the available funds to cover general operating increases this coming year.
- The Comptroller's office is currently here working through a State Audit. The results will be available at some time in the distant future.
- At the next Board meeting we will be discussing the Inlet Common School tuition historically and moving forward.
- The heating project is very timely considering 2 of our 3 boilers went down this morning and we lost heat completely in one classroom where the heater slushed up on the outside wall.

BOARD CONCERNS:

K. Nahor mentioned that the members should review their ideas regarding revisiting Mr. Germer's contract for the next Board meeting scheduled for January 19, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by G. Hildebrant, seconded by J. Phaneuf, to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Vote: Yes - 5 No – 0