

BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WEBB UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016
LIBRARY
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Nahor, George Hildebrant, Sharon Evans and Anne Garbarino

Absent: Joseph Phaneuf

ALSO PRESENT: Rex Germer, John Swick, Jennifer Dunn and Diane Kull

OTHERS PRESENT: Jen Lis, Tim and Laurie Barkauskus

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Kathy Nahor acknowledged receipt of an invitation to the Jeff-Lewis BOCES Annual Dinner Meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at the Howard G. Sacket Technical Center where the 2016-2017 proposed BOCES budget will be presented. Kathy Nahor also read a letter from Kathleen Lawrence, Director of the Woodgate Library acclaiming the volunteer hours of a Town of Webb UFSD student.

Laurie and Tim Barkauskus presented a letter of concern to the Board of Education that provided their ideas for changes for review. A petition with signatures was also given to the Board of Education.

SPECIAL TOPIC: Reviewed the proposed 2016-2017 Budget: Tax Cap & Draft #2.

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 16, 2016.

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded by G. Hildebrant, the Board voted to accept the warrants:

WARRANTS

- Fund A #17 with 32 checks written for a total of \$123,797.17
- Fund C #14 with 6 checks written for a total of \$1,143.46
- BC/BS March 2016 with 1 check written for a total of \$26,412.02
- February Payroll with 18 checks written for a total of \$316,188.21
- Fund TA #2 with 1 check written for a total of \$711.00

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by S. Evans, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Kimberly Graves as a long-term substitute teacher effective on or about April 18, 2016 at the rate of \$200.75 per day (1/200 of the base salary \$40,149 as per the Instructional Staff Pay Schedule).

LONG TERM SUB

Vote: Yes – 4 No – 0

ACCEPTANCE: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by S. Evans, the Board voted to accept the donation from the IIsababy Foundation in the amount of \$6,928.45.

DONATION

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

ACCEPTANCE: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded by S. Evans, the Board voted to accept as low bidder AMP Electric, 3890 Payne Road, Turin, NY 13473 for the base bid of \$67,390, plus Alternate #M1 for a second variable frequency drive in the amount of \$3,950 for the heating upgrade.

HEATING UPGRADE
BID

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL:
USE OF SCHOOL
BUS

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the request from the Inlet Community Church for the use of a bus and driver:

- March 19 – March 26, 2016. One (1) driver (volunteered his time to drive the bus) and bus to transport mission workers to and from Albany Airport. The Inlet Community Church bearing all related costs and upon provision of a certificate of insurance naming the school district as an additional insured.

Vote: Yes -4 No – 0

APPOINTMENT:
SUBSTITUTES

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by S. Evans, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the following appointments:

Substitute Nurse: Jillian Ringwald-Dale at the rate of \$70/day
Substitute Bus Driver Tory Dunn at the rate of \$13.40/hour

Vote: Yes – 4 No – 0

APPOINTMENT:
COACH

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the following as 2015-2016 spring sports coach: Volunteer to Assist the Baseball Coaches - Patrick Perkins

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL:
FUEL OIL BID
2016-2017

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded by S. Evans, the Board voted to approve the 2016-2017 Fuel Oil bid at the fixed price at 1.6325/gallon – MX Petroleum.

Vote: Yes -4 No – 0

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

John Swick, Principal reviewed the following:

- The artist of the quarter is L. Beal. Her artwork is displayed in the main office!
- Teachers were trained with the new OHM Science Kits on Wednesday, 2/17.
- Our Science Fair took place Wednesday, 2/17, from 5-7pm. There were students who participated in 4th-12th grade with awards given to elementary (K.Dunn), middle school (K.Thorton & N.Brownsell), and high school winners (S.Hamlin).
- B.Palmer was chosen at the conclusion of the 2nd quarter to be added to the Webb Wall of Distinction.
- Our K-2 Buddy Reader night took place on 2/18 with an Eric Carle themed night of events.
- Congratulations to all of our skiers who competed at the State Championships. Nordic Girls took second place overall. Nordic Boys took 4th overall. Alpine boys and girls both took 6th overall for the state. M.Green took second place in the individual Nordic Girls Race. C.Lawrence took 4th place overall in the GS.
- The Jr./Sr./Stage Band Concert took place on 2/25 under the direction of Mrs. Emily Herrmann.
- All of our Juniors took the Accuplacer Math Exam to help determine College and Career Readiness on Friday, 2/19.
- PARP kicked off on Friday, 2/19, with the announcement of our Superheros theme. We are challenging students to read 15 minutes each night at home.
- Val Gaudin and Emily Herrmann took 12 students to bi-county on Friday, 2/26 and Saturday, 2/27, to perform with the best musicians from the region. D.Ehrensbeck, N.Olsen, G.Boulier, J. Bartel, B.Dolan, L.Pittarelli, A.Kelly, B.Levi, T.Rudolph, R.Johnston, and O.Phaneuf represented the TOW UFSD.
- We had two students that medaled at the SkillsUSA Regional Competition that was held at SUNY Morrisville on Friday, February 26th. S.Townsend-Veterinary Practices Entrepreneurship, L. Rubyor-photography.
- The NYS Office of Mental Health has provided the funding and the Neighborhood Center have invited the Town of Webb UFSD to be part of a new program “Sources of Strength.” A student (grades 8 -12) training day will be held this week by the University of Rochester. The program is students empowering students on how to get through difficult situations. The Town of Webb UFSD was earmarked for this program due to the recent tragedies in our school & community.

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

- I am in receipt of a wonderful letter from the Woodgate Free Library in regards to one of our students and the time she has devoted to them after school each week through volunteer work. This student was recognized in the letter for being “conscientious, self-motivated” with a “dedication and reliability” that are to be commended. It is wonderful to hear the positives of how our students are doing as members of the community in which they live and I thank the Library Director for sharing this with me.
- The Town of Webb has purchased poles for the field at North Street. These poles are going to be installed this year prior to our soccer season. They have yet to finalize lighting plans and together we will be looking to submit a grant application with the Community Foundation for support with this complete project. The poles cost just under \$10,000. It is my suggestion that the school reimburse the Town of Webb for the purchase of these poles as it is our student athletes that benefit greatly from the use of this field.
- The Board of Regents is going to see a great deal of changes within their membership structure in the next couple of months. They are also moving rapidly to make changes to the standards and testing scenario that has been met with great angst over the past few years. New guidance has come from the State but it is seen to be more fluid and dependent on constituent group review rather than a calendar implementation as the primary focus. It appears there will be much more involvement in all the steps of standards review, implementation and assessment moving forward than we have seen in the recent past.
- A Superintendent’s Conference Day is proposed for April 18th or 25th for training with teachers. The date will be decided and will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting.
- The Neighborhood Center toured our building with possible office space locations reviewed for a future Mental Health Satellite Clinic. The Superintendent’s office suite was suggested as the possible site with some construction for privacy in that area. Services will be provided to students and community members if the final agreements are approved with the state.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, to enter into executive session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss collective negotiations related to the TOWTA Contract; health and safety of students, the employment history of two particular teachers; potential future contract with Inlet and litigation related to the former Superintendent.

Vote: Yes -4 No – 0

Collective negotiations related to the TOWTA Contract; health and safety of students, the employment history of two particular teachers; potential future contract with Inlet and litigation related to the former Superintendent were discussed, no action was taken.

REGULAR SESSION:

Motion made by S. Evans, seconded by G. Hildebrant, to return to regular session at 7:54 p.m.

Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by G. Hildebrant, seconded by S. Evans, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

District Clerk