

BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WEBB UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015
LIBRARY
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Nahor, George Hildebrant, Sharon Evans, and Anne Garbarino
Connor Glasser– Student Representative

ABSENT: Joseph Phaneuf

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob McCoy, Mary Starring, Christine Holt, Heather Hoffman, Mary Ann Ryan, Lori Hansen

The Public Hearing regarding the review of the Roof Reconstruction Project was held at 6:00 pm. Chris Crolius, Architect for March Associates gave a power point presentation regarding the project.

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

SPECIAL TOPIC: Special Education Statistical Update as presented by Mary Starring was reviewed.

S. Evans entered 6:40 pm

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 February 17, 2015 regular meeting.

MINUTES 2/17/15

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

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

WARRANTS & CLAIMS

- #15 Fund A with 1 check written for a total of \$157.23
- #16 Fund A with 42 checks written for a total of \$21,904.31
- #13 Fund C with 4 checks written for a total of \$327.24
- #4 Fund F with 1 check written for a total of \$310.00
- #16 Fund TA with 19 checks written for a total of \$319,441.14

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 the following substitute:

SUBSTITUTES

Substitute Teacher: Marie Candee at the rate of \$70/day
Substitute Teacher Aide: Marie Candee at the rate of \$9.75/hour
Substitute Cafeteria Worker: Marie Candee at the rate of \$9.00/hour

Vote: Yes – 4 No – 0

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: John Swick, Principal reviewed the following:

- The Kiwanis of Old Forge sponsored a trip for our students in grades 9-12 to attend a Utica Comets game. The total in the group which attended was thirty-eight (38). It was a fun night out as almost all of our sports teams are in between seasons.
- The Kindergarten and 2nd Grade classes hosted a Dr. Seuss Night for the second year in a row. There were even more games and activities than last year with many parents and students in attendance.
- Mrs. Griffin and I hosted a Welcome Club Ice Cream Social for all students who are new to the Town of Webb.
- PARP kicked off with a celebration on Friday, 2/20, to let students know that our theme this year is 'Reading is my Thing'. The Dr. Seuss theme plays off of the characters Thing 1 and Thing 2.
- The Instrumental Music Concerts took place on Thursday, 2/26 at 7pm under the direction of Emily Herrmann.
- The Bi-County Chorus performance took place with seven (7) students from our chorus attending with Ms. Valerie Gaudin and four (4) students from our band attending with Mrs. Herrmann.
- The Eskimos of the Month were announced today and their video will be posted online tomorrow.
- The Sports Awards took place last night marking the official end to the volleyball, basketball, and ski seasons for our students.

- Our First and Second Grade classes are reading books to visitors of the new Senior Citizens program (SHARP) on Wednesday afternoons in our library.
- The First Grade has been following the Iditarod in Alaska through a parent in the community who has ties to one of the racers.
- Our “25 Week” marking period ended on Friday, 2/27. Report cards will be emailed/mailed on Friday, 3/6.
- Our Valedictorian this year is Briana Brownsell and our Salutatorian is Mackenzie Kelly. Congratulations to these top students!

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

- At this time we do not have a coach for Modified Baseball. The spring coaches we took action on at the last meeting did not include a person to fill this position.
- The Civil Service test for Account Clerk was given this past Saturday. We should have an initial list available to us from the county later this week. There were over 50 individuals who took this test.
- There hasn't been any movement at the State level to give us any more information regarding aide in the coming year to help us with budgeting. We have reported to the State, as required, that at this point we do not plan to pierce the “Tax Cap” with our next budget. This can be modified if we need to later.
- Congratulations to all of our winter athletes on their seasons and titles won. The season was highlighted at the Sports Awards last night.
- Mr. Swick has been working with local organizations and with our students and staff to increase the offerings for student activities that allow for better choices and experiences. The latest occurred last Friday with a trip, sponsored and supervised by Kiwanis, to a Comets Hockey Game. 38 students participated in this opportunity that was opened up to 9-12 grade students. Thank you to Kiwanis for providing this opportunity. Our physical education department will also be taking trips into our surroundings to engage in activities in our natural surroundings during the coming months as part of this thought process as well. Typically students go canoeing for finals and snowshoeing for midterms but we have asked them to plan other activities of longer duration outside of those two regularly scheduled events.

BOARD CONCERNS: S. Evans commented about the Band Concerts: was very happy to see the music stands painted black.

CLERK PRO TEMP: Motion to appoint R. Germer as Clerk Pro Temp made by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino.

Vote: Yes –4 No – 0

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by S. Evans, seconded by A. Garbarino, to enter into executive session at 6:54 p.m. to discuss a potential contract; collective negotiations related to the TOWTA Contract; the Superintendent's Contract; student health and safety and an individual who is a potential future hire and a current CSEA member. The Inlet Board of Trustees: Heather Hoffman, Mary Ann Ryan & Lori Hansen and Superintendent, Christine Holt were asked to be present.

*G. Hildebrant left 7:37 pm
& returned 7:41 pm*

Vote: Yes -4 No – 0

*Inlet Trustees and
Inlet Superintendent left at
7:44 pm*

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REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by S. Evans, seconded by G. Hildebrant, to return to regular session at 8:25 p.m.

Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Vote: Yes – 4 No – 0