

BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WEBB UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018
LIBRARY
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph Phaneuf, George Hildebrant, Anne Garbarino and Philip Petty
ABSENT: Sharon Evans
ALSO PRESENT: Rex Germer, John Swick, Jennifer Dunn and Diane Kull
OTHERS PRESENT: Katie Langworthy, Jen Fenton Lis, Kendra Hopsicker, Hannah Schoen, Casey Hamlin

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Joseph Phaneuf thanked the voters for passing the budget and the candidates who put themselves out there. Mr. Phaneuf suggested that a Public Forum to discuss the “Community Center” be held at the next Board of Education meeting on June 5, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the library. This forum would gather input from everyone and explore constructive ideas and how to best serve the community.

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 May 1, 2018 regular meeting and May 8, 2018 public hearing.
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded by P. Petty the Board voted to accept the warrants:
WARRANTS
- #23 Fund A with 63 checks written for a total of \$123,619.83
- #17 Fund C with 7 checks written for a total of \$1,653.35
- #6 Fund TA with 1 check written for a total of \$1,000.00
- May 2018 Vision/Dental with 1 check written for a total of \$1,595.98
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report for April 2018 as presented.
TREASURER’S REPORT
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

ACCEPTANCE: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to accept the following results of the May 15, 2018 balloting:
RESULTS OF VOTING
BUDGET: IN FAVOR - 280 AGAINST - 116
Candidate: Term – 7/1/2018 – 6/ 30/2023 - Shari Pronobis – 66 Zachary Kotwica 54 Kendra Hopsicker 267
Proposition #3: Old Forge Library Increase - IN FAVOR - 321 AGAINST - 75
Proposition #4: Woodgate Library Increase - IN FAVOR - 303 AGAINST - 89
TOTAL VOTES - 399 Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, on a motion by P. Petty, seconded by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the recommendations and the authorization of funds as needed to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations.
CSE RECOMMENDATION
Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Margaret Daiker, and Wilma Russell as members of the Board of Voter Registration for the 2018-2019 school year at the rate of \$85 per election.
BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPOINTMENT: INCREASE On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by P. Petty, seconded
SUBSTITUTE RATE by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to change in substitute rate of pay for the 2017-2018 school year:
Substitute Teacher: Sarah Branch - at the rate of \$100/day (rate of pay increase from \$85/day to \$100/day – received NYS Initial Certification, Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) & Childhood Education (Grades 1-6).
Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded
TENURE by A. Garbarino, the Board voted to approve the tenure appointment of the following
KAREN BECK effective August 31, 2018:
(a) Name of appointee: Karen Beck
(b) Tenure area: Mathematics Teacher
(c) Date of commencement of service on tenure: 9/1/15
(d) Expiration date of the appointment: 8/31/18
Certification status: Permanent- Mathematics
Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
TENURE by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the tenure appointment of the following
JEREMIAH BEST effective August 31, 2018:
(a) Name of appointee: Jeremiah Best
(b) Tenure area: Elementary Teacher
(c) Date of commencement of service on tenure: 9/1/15
(d) Expiration date of the appointment: 8/31/18
(e) Certification status: Initial – Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
TENURE by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the tenure appointment of the following
PATRICIA GARDNER effective August 31, 2018:
(a) Name of appointee: Patricia Gardner
(b) Tenure area: Special Education Teacher
(c) Date of commencement of service on tenure: 9/1/15
(d) Expiration date of the appointment: 8/31/18
(f) Certification status: Permanent- Special Education
Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
REVISED BOARD by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the revised Board Policy: 500.3 – Non – Resident
POLICY Student – Tuition Rate.
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
K-12 NON-RESIDENT by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the K-12 Non-Resident Tuition Rate at \$6,500 for
RATE 2018-2019 the 2018-2019 school year.
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
F-1 STUDENT TUITION by G. Hildebrant, the Board voted to approve the F-1 Student Tuition Rate at \$6,500 &
RATE 2018-2019 the host family reimbursement at \$4,000 for the 2018-2019 school year.
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

ACCEPTANCE: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded
RESIGNATION FOR by P. Petty, the Board voted to accept the resignation for retirement of Anne
RETIREMENT Phinney, Elementary teacher, with regret and appreciation for her 26 years of service at the Town of Webb UFSD, effective June 30, 2018.
Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by P. Petty, seconded
SUMMER TECHNOLOGY by G. Hildebrant, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Eian Knudsen as a
HELPER Summer Technology helper at the rate of \$11.10 per hour, effective July 2 – August 31,
2018.

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Town of Webb UFSD TOWTA Sick Bank Committee at a
TOWTA SICK BANK meeting held on May 16, 2018, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded by G. Hildebrant,
REQUEST the Board voted to approve up to a maximum of 16.25 TOWTA Sick Bank days for
Jolene Finn.

Vote: Yes -4 No –0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
SUBSTITUTES by G. Hildebrant, the Board voted to appoint the following for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Substitute Teacher – Mackenzie Kelly at the rate of \$85/day.
- Substitute Teacher Aide: Mackenzie Kelly - at the rate of \$11.50/hour

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

ACCEPTANCE: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
RESIGNATION by P. Petty, the Board voted to accept the resignation of Emily Herrmann as Instrumental
Music Teacher effective August 29, 2018 with regret and appreciation for her 5 years of
service.

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

APPOINTMENT: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by G. Hildebrant, seconded
LONG TERM SUB by P. Petty, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Sarah Branch as a long-term
substitute teacher for Jolene Finn at the rate of \$209.09 per day (1/200 of the base salary
\$41,819 as per the 2017-2018 Instructional Staff Pay Schedule) effective May 17, 2018.

Vote: Yes – 4 No – 0

ACCEPTANCE: On the recommendation of the Superintendent, on a motion by A. Garbarino, seconded
RESIGNATION FOR by G. Hildebrant, the Board voted to accept the resignation for retirement of G.
RETIREMENT Michael Cunningham, English teacher, with regret and appreciation for his 29 years of
service at the Town of Webb UFSD, effective July 1, 2018.

Vote: Yes- 4 No- 0

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

- Our book fair in April collected \$2200 in profit with over 375 books sold! There were also 20 books bought and donated to classrooms!
- Congratulations to A.Haehl for being selected Principal's Artist of the 3rd Quarter.
- Congratulations to L.Levi for being selected for the Webb Wall of Distinction for the 3rd Quarter.
- During Community Pride Day our students collected over 1300 pounds of trash!
- Our F-1 Student, Yulia, is taking time to present about life, education, food, and culture in Russia to our K-5 this past month.
- The SUNY Poly Innovation Challenge Steering Committee has chosen the TOW UFSD school for a site visit in October as they try to learn about our community and develop economic proposals to envision a Greater Old Forge area.
- The PTC put on a K-5 Luau Dance on Friday, 5/11.
- The 35 week mark was Friday, 5/11. Progress Reports will be mailed and emailed this Friday.
- The Science Fair is taking place today in the gym from 5pm-7pm.
- The Webb Way sold eighty-five dinners last night to the community.
- Our students completed their AP Bio, Environmental, and US History Exams, and the NYS 3-8 Math & ELA exams.
- High School Art and the 5th grade took a field trip to View to build a Raku Kiln, work on pottery wheels, and create stained glass jewelry on Wednesday, 5/9.
- NHS inductions took place on Monday, 5/7 with NYS Trooper, Holly Armendola, as the guest speaker. There were five (5) new students inducted.
- Students in grades 9-12 had an assembly on Distracted Driving by Jacey Good and her husband on Friday, 5/4.

- The Stage Band Concert took place on Thursday, 5/3, under the direction of Emily Herrmann.
- The Senior Band and Senior Chorus took a field trip to the Darien Lake Music Festival on Friday, 5/11. The students in Stage Band and Senior Band took first place in their division.
- Save the Date: Michael Nerney will be here for a Parent Night presentation on Thursday, 5/31. Thank you to Herkimer County Catholic Charities and partners for sponsoring this event for this amazing speaker.

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

- Thank you to all the voters that came to the polls on May 15th in support of the budget and our students.
- Congratulations to Kendra Hopsicker who was chosen by the voters to fill the Board of Education seat currently held by Sharon Evans when her term expires at the end of June. Thank you to those that were willing to run for the seat and were willing to give of their time for our school.

BOARD CONCERNS:

Athletic teams use of bathrooms at Park Avenue – building is locked after 5 pm. Joe Phaneuf suggested that a Public Forum to discuss the “Community Center” be held at the next Board of Education meeting on June 5, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the library. This forum would gather input from everyone and explore constructive ideas and how to best serve the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by P. Petty, seconded by G. Hildebrant, to enter into executive session at 7:04 p.m. to discuss the employment history of several particular TOWTA members; collective negotiations related to the CSEA Contract and potential future contracts.

Vote: Yes -4 No – 0

The employment history of several particular TOWTA members; collective negotiations related to the CSEA Contract and potential future contracts were discussed, no action was taken.

REGULAR SESSION:

Motion made by G. Hildebrant, seconded by P. Petty, to return to regular session at 7:43 p.m.

Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by A. Garbarino, seconded by P. Petty, to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Vote: Yes - 4 No – 0

District Clerk