

Minutes

Board of Education Meeting

February 11, 2009

7:00 P.M.

High School Library

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD AT THEIR NEXT MEETING

MEETING CALLED BY:	Board President Cheryl Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the High School Library.
ROLL CALL	Was conducted by Board President Cheryl Smith. A quorum was present.
ATTENDEES:	Board Members Present: Terry Ostrander, Cheryl Smith, Bradley Rooke John Sutton, Mark Pribis, Janet Glenn, Joan Slagle Absent: None
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	was recited

Agenda Topics

CHANGES TO AGENDA	One personnel item was added to the agenda – a request for a leave of absence for an elementary teacher.	
BOARD RECOGNITION		
EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION	Mr. William Swietnicki introduced himself and reported on the District's Operations and Maintenance Department and what his goals are as the new Director of Facilities. (Later in the meeting Mrs. Prehn commented that Mr. Swietnicki appears to be doing a great job since coming on board. She said he is very visible and is always willing to do whatever is needed.) A Curriculum and Achievement team presentation took place. It will be placed on the School's website for viewing.	
PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS		
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	Mr. Moses reported on the upcoming school budget and how the anticipated stimulus package from the government could affect Galway. The House and Senate negotiators announced an agreement on a \$790 billion stimulus bill which was billions less than the original House and Senate Bills Congress agreed with. The House proposes now that billions of dollars that were taken away be given back to schools. It is not known at this time how much money Galway will get and how the money can be used.	

<p>APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District accept the Consent Agenda which contains the January District Treasurer's report, the January Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report and the minutes of the January 21, 2009 Board meetings.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>REPORTS</p>	<p>The Education Foundation will meet on the third Monday of each month. The next meeting is on March 16th. A golf tournament will be held on August 31st.</p> <p>A "Coffee with the School Board" will be held at the Galway Market from 9-10 AM on February 21st and March 7th where Board members will be available to discuss budget challenges ahead and other areas of concern with the community.</p> <p>The annual GTA Lasagna dinner/basket raffle is on March 31st with proceeds going toward student scholarships.</p>	
<p>PERSONNEL</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve an extension of Joanne Donnan's unpaid leave of absence from her Technology Teacher position effective September 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve an extension of Deborah Vrooman Kempf's unpaid parental leave of absence from her Elementary Teacher position effective September 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District appoint the following substitutes effective February 12, 2009 at a rate of \$7.35/hour:</p> <p>Lisa Hornbeck - Substitute Teacher Aide Cleared for Employment.</p> <p>Ellen Moran - Substitute K-12 Teacher Aide Emergency Conditional Appointment pending fingerprint clearance.</p>	<p>Motion: Janet Glenn Second: Mark Pribis Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

<p>PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the following co-curricular appointments for the 2008-09 school year: Lucas Snow - Fitness Room Supervisor - \$20/hour Matthew Funigiello - Spring Play Musical Director - \$1,546/year</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the emergency conditional appointment of Amy Clifford as a Bus Monitor effective February 2, 2009 at a rate of \$7.73 per hour pending fingerprint clearance by the NYS Education Department.</p>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>A 2nd reading of Graduation Requirements Policy #4770 took place. It will be presented to the Board of Education for adoption at their next Board meeting.</p>	
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District ratify a Memorandum of Agreement between the CSEA and the District extending the contract one more year with no changes from the previous year effective July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District ratify a Memorandum of Agreement between Management-Confidential staff and the District extending the agreement one more year with no changes other than each member will receive an increase of ½% less than last year as their willingness to contribute toward the current budget crisis facing schools across NYS including Galway effective July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.</p>	<p>Motion: Janet Glenn Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District adopt the 2009-2010 school calendar.</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: John Sutton Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

<p>NEW BUSINESS (Continued)</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District authorize participation in a Cooperative Purchasing Program coordinated by WSWHE BOCES for the 2009-10 school year for the following commodities: ice cream, milk, bread & bread products, copy paper/envelopes, O&M paper products and cafeteria paper products.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District accept the Impartial Hearing Officer Rotational List with subsequent changes as they appear on the NYS web site.</p>	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve a Marine Biology Club trip to the Marine Research Center in Key Largo Florida on July 16 – July 19, 2009 to attend seminars and see multiple forms of ocean habitats including sea grasses, mangrove forests, coral reefs, etc.</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>PUBLIC COMMENT</p>	<p>A parent spoke about her concerns if class sizes were increased.</p> <p>Mr. Ostrander, Board member, made the following statement: "I'm sure everyone is aware of the budget crunch the school district is working with for next year. To that end I want to thank the following for their help: The Administrators Association of Galway for offering to give up one week's pay next year. The CSEA for putting off contract negotiations until next year. The Management Confidential Staff for putting off negotiations until next year and for taking a ½ percent reduction in pay next year. This is part of what makes Galway the great place it is. Thanks to all of you."</p>	
<p>EXECUTIVE SESSION</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education move into executive session at 7:55 P.M. to review CSE/CPSE recommendations.</p>	<p>Motion: Janet Glenn Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the CSE/CPSE: 3122, 6005, 5202, 2462, 6004, 42504, 4545, 29150803, 3777, 2602, 22160797, 999354997, 12250401, 4283</p>	<p>Motion: Janet Glenn Second: John Sutton Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

<p>REGULAR SESSION</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education move out of executive session and into regular session at 9:58 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Mark Pribis Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education adjourn at 9:59 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli

**Linda M. Casatelli
 District Clerk**