

# Minutes

## Board of Education Meeting

March 18, 2009

7:00 P.M.

High School Library

### DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD AT THEIR NEXT MEETING

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

### Agenda Topics

<b>CHANGES TO AGENDA</b>		
<b>BOARD RECOGNITION</b>	Lions Club Citizenship Awards were presented to Erik Matthews-3rd grade, Emily Bailey-6th grade and William Roy-12th grade	
<b>EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION</b>	A presentation on the BOCES Horticulture program took place. Two students spoke about how BOCES has provided them with the opportunity to gain experience in a field that they enjoy and how it can benefit them in the future.	
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS</b>		
<b>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</b>	<p>Mr. Moses reported on the <b>upcoming school budget</b> and how the Federal Stimulus Package from the government affects Galway. The community is invited to attend a public information meeting on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM in the high school auditorium where there will be a presentation of the 2009-10 budget. The presentation will show the impact of the Federal Stimulus Package on Galway School and NYS.</p> <p>Discussions took place regarding whether to <b>purchase or lease school buses</b> and <b>how long buses should be kept</b> before replacing them. Mr. Moses recommended that busses be kept no longer than 5-7 years (BOE decision). He recommended that the district lease the following vehicles for the 2009-10 school year based on the information provided by Mr. Forneris, Transp. Supervisor: (2) suburbans, (1) 23-passenger bus &amp; (3) 72-passenger buses.</p>	

<p><b>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</b> (Continued)</p>	<p>He also recommended that a committee consisting of two board members, the district treasurer, the transportation supervisor and a bus driver be formed to research and make a recommendation for future years.</p> <p>Mr. Pribis stated that he is against leasing buses based on various cost analysis' that he did that proved that it is not a cost effective route to take. He also stated that the district does not have Transportation Department records from years ago to assist the Board in making a decision on how long to keep buses.</p> <p>After several discussions on the pros and cons of leasing/purchasing buses and on how long to keep buses the Board decided to make a decision either at a special meeting of the Board of Education or at their next regular meeting in April. Everyone agreed that safety has and always will be the main concern of the district.</p>	
<p><b>APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the <b>Consent Agenda</b> containing the February District Treasurer's Report, the February Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report and approval of the minutes of the February 11, 2009 Board of Education meeting.</p>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p><b>REPORTS</b></p>	<p>Recent and upcoming activities in the district were mentioned.</p> <p>Mr. Ostrander reported that the Education Foundation recently received 501C3 status enabling people to claim their donations for credit on their income taxes</p> <p>Phyllis Keeler spoke on the Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadricentennial historical event that will be taking place and how the district can become involve. Further information is available at <a href="http://www.exploreny400.com">www.exploreny400.com</a>.</p> <p>Mr. Pribis gave the Board drafts of the following proposed policy changes for their review: Policy 2400 - Board Policy Development Policy 2410 - Process of Adoption and/or Amendment of Policies Policy 2420 - Policy Implementation and Review</p>	

<p><b>PERSONNEL</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District award <b>tenure</b> to <b>Linda Jackowski</b> effective July 1, 2009 in the tenure area of Administration. She has permanent certification in the certification area of School District Administrator.</p>	<p>Motion: Joan Slagle Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District accept the <b>resignation</b> of <b>Jennifer Payeur</b> from her <b>Music Teacher</b> position effective June 30, 2009.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Bradley Rooke Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the following <b>leave of absences</b>:</p> <p><b><u>Margaret Finocchio</u></b>      <b><u>Health Teacher</u></b> A paid/unpaid medical leave of absence per the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993. This time can be up to twelve weeks and will run concurrently with her family time.</p> <p><b><u>Jennifer Suydam</u></b>      <b><u>Elementary Teacher</u></b> A paid Medical Leave per the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993. Effective on or around May 7, 2009 for six weeks to run concurrently with her sick time.</p> <p><b><u>Bonnie LaMoy</u></b>      <b><u>Bus Driver</u></b> A paid Medical Leave per the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993. Effective January 26, 2009 for up to 12 weeks to run concurrent with her sick time.</p> <p><b><u>Mary Bardascini</u></b>      <b><u>Bus Monitor</u></b> A unpaid Personal Leave of Absence. Effective February 9, 2009 – June 30, 2009 (or sooner if possible). She does not qualify for FMLA.</p> <p><b><u>Lauri Davis</u></b>      <b><u>Teacher Aide</u></b> A paid/Unpaid Maternity Leave of Absence. Effective February 23, 2009 for a period not to exceed 8 weeks. She does not qualify for FMLA.</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 rescind the appointment of <b>Michael Glenn</b> as <b>Modified Baseball Coach</b> for the 2008-09 school year for personal reasons.</p>	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis Second: Bradley Rooke Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the appointment of <b>Nicholas Morocco</b> as <b>Modified Baseball Coach</b> for the 2008-09 school year at a salary of \$1,500. He has been cleared for employment.</p>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Mark Pribis Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

<p><b>PERSONNEL (Continued)</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the following <b>co-curricular appointments</b> for the 2008-09 school year:</p> <p>Barb Wilday, Diane Verrigni and Barb Agresta Fitness Room Supervisors \$ 20/hour</p> <p>Lauren Moran Ski Club Advisor \$492/year</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Bradley Rooke Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve the appointment of the following <b>substitutes</b>:</p> <p><b>Ashleigh VanGuilder</b> <u>Substitute Teacher</u> - Grades K-6, Special Ed, Physical Education &amp; Art Effective Mid-May, 2009 at a rate of pay per the SASIE Agreement. She has been cleared for employment.</p> <p><b>Jennifer Newell</b> <u>Substitute Teacher Aide</u> – Elem. School only Emergency conditional appointment pending fingerprint clearance. Effective March 6, 2009 at a rate of \$7.35/hour</p> <p><b>Melanie Robinson</b> <u>Substitute Teacher Aide</u> – Grades K-12 Emergency conditional appointment pending fingerprint clearance. Effective March 10, 2009 at a rate of \$7.35/hour</p> <p><b>Ambrea Brooks</b> <u>Substitute Teacher Aide &amp; Sub. Bus Monitor</u> Emergency conditional appointment pending fingerprint clearance, \$7.35/hour, effective March 10, 2009</p>	<p>Motion: Janet Glenn Second: Mark Pribis Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District adopt <b>Graduation Requirements Policy #4770.</b></p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: John Sutton Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

<p><b>NEW BUSINESS (Continued)</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District accept a <b>donation</b> from the <b>Dockstader Charitable Trust</b> with thanks and appreciation in the amount of \$8,000 to be used toward the purchase of fencing to enclose the elementary school playground and to authorize the treasurer to increase account code A1621.400.</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 accept a <b>donation</b> from <b>BP American Products of Houston Texas</b> with thanks and appreciation in the amount of \$500 on behalf of Kristy Hanley, who graduated from Galway School in 1997, to be used toward the purchase of earth science classroom supplies and to increase account code A2110.515.01</p>	<p>Motion: Joan Slagle Second: Bradley Rooke Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District call a <b>special meeting</b> of the Board of Education on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 beginning at <b>8:00 AM</b> in the high school Board Room for the purpose of voting on the BOCES budget and BOCES board members.</p>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: John Sutton Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve a <b>Sr. Class Trip</b> to Virginia Beach, VA on May 16-19, 2009. They will also visit Washington, DC and Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, VA.</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p><b>OLD BUSINESS</b></p>	<p>None</p>	
<p><b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b></p>	<p>None</p>	
<p><b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education move into <b>executive session</b> at 8:50 P.M. to review CSE/CPSE recommendations and for a specific personnel matter.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

<p><b>EXECUTIVE SESSION (Continued)</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the <b>CSE/CPSE</b>:          3159, 3201, 3404, 3514, 4295, 2188, 4586, 4281, 4564, 22071100, 4490, 22110501, 21460302, 25011003, 23210198, 2462, 3276, 21670902, 2561, 23080802, 25920604, 2120996, 12270401, 3271, 32720804, 2314, 26480100, 2324, 3167, 23910300, 2790, 4560, 7057, 2119996, 30870902, 5027, 73850900, 2159, 31260604, 70560502, 2825, 4284, 29990902, 3787, 2870, 480500, 7525, 84100902, 8392, 700302, 27210502, 26720304, 20230602, 2038, 20481096, 8099894, 4285, 84411095, 7029, 81501094, 84681295, 5201, 6000, 2602, 3404, 3514, 6007, 28821—1, 28050101, 021460302, 3276, 2602, 2120996, 4581, 7997291, 27480304, 2825, 24900902, 5041, 2012007, 26530300, 30870902, 3777</p>	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis          Second: Terry Ostrander          Ayes: 7 Noes: 0          Motion carried</p>
<p><b>REGULAR SESSION</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education move out of executive session and into <b>regular session</b> at 10:26 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton          Second: Terry Ostrander          Ayes: 7 Noes: 0          Motion carried</p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education <b>adjourn</b> at 10:27 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis          Second: Janet Glenn          Ayes: 7 Noes: 0          Motion carried</p>

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli  
 District Clerk