

Minutes

Board of Education Meeting

November 19, 2008

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		
BOARD RECOGNITION		
EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION	<p>Anneke Pribis reported on the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) including the committee's vision, their mission and their plan which will be posted on the district's web site.</p> <p>Books were shown to the Board that were purchased by the Galway PTSA and donated to the district on behalf of the Board of Education in honor of National Board of Education Week.</p>	
PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS	<p>A parent questioned why a stipend was being paid to an Odyssey of the Mind Coach. Mr. Moses explained that a stipend for this position was negotiated and included in the revised GTA contract.</p>	
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	<p>Mr. Moses reported how New York State is in the midst of a very serious economic crisis and that Governor Paterson is proposing severe cuts in education to all schools across the state including Galway and how these cuts would impact Galway.</p> <p>Governor Paterson proposed mid-year cuts in State Aide for the current school year but Legislators could not come to an agreement so currently the proposal is off the table. This reduction, based on a formula, amounts to \$402,000 (5.05% of the school's budget) that Galway School would not get in the current school year.</p>	

<p>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</p> <p>(CONTINUED)</p>	<p>It is anticipated that on January 1st the Governor will go back out with another proposal of reductions.</p> <p>The Governor is expected to announce his new budget for the next fiscal year on December 16th, a month ahead of time. Galway will know what state aid money they will be getting the following morning. In the meantime Mr. Moses met with all BOCES Superintendents to discuss cost saving measures and reductions in light of major reductions in state aid.</p> <p>A Community Public Budget Hearing will be held on January 6th at 7:00 PM in the Auditorium to talk about the budget.</p> <p>The annual Tax Collector's Report was reviewed.</p>	
<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 October District Treasurer's report, the October Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report and minutes of the October 22, 2008 Board meeting.</p>	<p>Motion: Janet Glenn Second: Bradley Rooke Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>REPORTS</p>	<p>Mr. Moses reported that the Walmart Distribution Center in Johnstown recently donated two truckloads of supplies, etc. to the district which will be accepted later in the meeting.</p> <p>A Student Achievement committee meeting report was given by Joan Slagle. Terry Ostrander reported on the Education Foundation Committee and Janet Glenn reported on a recent conference she attended.</p>	
<p>PERSONNEL</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District approve an unpaid parental leave of absence for Deborah Vrooman-Kempf from her Elementary School Teacher position effective December 9, 2008 – June 30, 2009.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton Second: Bradley Rooke 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 a paid/unpaid medical leave of absence for Jennifer Yerdon from her Middle School Teacher position per the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 effective on or about February 6, 2009. This time can be up to twelve weeks and will run concurrently with her sick time. Be it also resolved that the Board of Education approve an unpaid leave of absence for her until May 1, 2009 when the FMLA is terminated.</p>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Joan Slagle Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District extend the effective date of Cheryl Malanoski's appointment as a long-term substitute elem. teacher for Deborah Vrooman-Kempf to June 30, 2009 instead of December 8, 2008. She is at Step M1 of the salary schedule -\$40,800 per year pro-rated and has fingerprint clearance.</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 <u>attached</u> substitutes effective November 20, 2008. Those who do not have fingerprint clearance are being appointed on an emergency conditional basis pending fingerprint clearance.</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 <u>attached</u> Sports and Unpaid Coaching Appointments for the 2008-09 school year at stipends per the GTA contract.</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 approve the following co-curricular appointments for the 2008-09 school year:</p> <p>9th Grade One Act Play Director Art Pagano - \$703/year</p> <p>12th Grade One Act Play Director Damian Ubriaco - \$703/year</p>	<p>Motion: Bradley Rooke Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>None</p>	

<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District eliminate the Journalism Student Activity Bank Account and transfer the balance of \$1,357.36 in the account to the following new bank accounts so that each club has a separate account instead of sharing one account. Advisors were already appointed.</p> <p>\$1,221.05 Footprint Account \$ 84.00 MS Newspaper Account \$ 52.31 Literary Magazine Account</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 accept the following donations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500 from Exxon Mobil for supplies in the Middle School and to authorize the treasurer to increase budget codes A2110.508.3 for \$125, A2110.507.3 for \$125, and A2110.506.03 for \$250 • Various supplies from Walmarts 	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis Second: Terry Ostrander Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>PUBLIC COMMENT</p>		
<p>EXECUTIVE SESSION</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education move into executive session at 8:15 PM to review CSE/CPSE recommendations.</p>	<p>Motion: John Sutton 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: 3004, 220303, 5202, 7997291, 5039, 5201, 3405, 2602, 5036</p>	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis Second: Terry Ostrander 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 9:29 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Janet Glenn Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Resolved that the Board of Education adjourn at 9:30 P.M.</p>	<p>Motion: Joan Slagle Second: Bradley Rooke Ayes: 7 Noes: 0 Motion carried</p>

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli
 District Clerk

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THE FOLLOWING WERE APPROVED EARLIER IN THE MEETING**SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS**

Name	Title	Rate of Pay	Fingerprint Status
Shannon Coryer	Sub. K-8 & Sp. Ed Teacher	per SASIE Agreement	Cleared for Employment
Sharyn Kalinkewicz	Sub. Science Teacher	per SASIE Agreement	Pending fingerprint clearance sent 11/18/08
Olga Doi	Sub. 9-12 Teacher	per SASIE Agreement	Pending fingerprint clearance sent 11/13/08
Helen Dado	Sub. Cleaner	\$9.00/hour	Pending fingerprint clearance sent 11/18/08

SPORTS AND UNPAID COACHING APPOINTMENTS

Title	Name	Rate of Pay	Fingerprint Status
Girls Basketball Scorekeeper	Paula Canell	\$61/event	Cleared for employment
	or Pam Wilday	\$61/event	Pending fingerprint clearance sent 11/14/08
Asst. Basketball Coach	Michael Glenn	Unpaid	Fingerprints being processed
Asst. Wrestling Coach	Justin Schoenborn	Unpaid	Cleared for Employment

Sub. All Events - Pam Wilday and Elaine Vandenburg – same stipend as person being replaced.