

# Minutes

## Board of Education Meeting

February 10, 2010

6:30 P.M.

High School Board Room

**DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.**

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	President John Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the High School Board of Education Room.
<b>ROLL CALL</b>	Was conducted by Board President Sutton. A quorum was present.
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Board Members Present: Terry Ostrander, Mark Pribis, Cheryl Smith, John Sutton, Bradley Rooke (was present via video conference) Board Members Absent: Janet Glenn and Joan Slagle
<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>	Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Mark Pribis To move into <b>executive session</b> at 6:30 PM to discuss negotiations. All voted Aye to approve the motion. Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried
<b>REGULAR SESSION</b>	Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Cheryl Smith To return to <b>regular session</b> at 7:03 PM. All voted Aye to approve the motion. Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried  The Board moved to the High School Library to conduct the remainder of the meeting.
<b>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</b>	Was recited
<b>ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA</b>	None
<b>BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM</b>	A thank you from Greater Galway Community Services was acknowledged.
<b>EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION</b>	Mr. Barrow, Music Teacher, gave a presentation on the Music Department at Galway School. It was followed by an outstanding musical performance by student John Turner who sang a song from Fiddler on the Roof with Mr. Funigiello, Music Teacher, accompanying him on piano which was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. The Board and Community were invited and encouraged to attend this year's musical production of Fiddler on the Roof at Galway School on March 26, 27 and 28.  Student Representatives attended the Board meeting showing their support to reinstate One-Act Plays in the school district budget.  Operations & Maintenance Department and Interscholastic Athletics budget presentations took place. Mr. Swietnicki talked about summer projects the O&M department will be working on this year.

<p><b>PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS</b></p>	<p>Questions and suggestions regarding the budget and athletics were listened to.</p>
<p><b>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</b></p>	<p>Mr. Marcelle reviewed the charge to the K-12 Safety Committee with the Board. They agreed to creating a safety committee and requested that traffic flow safety in the parking lots be added to the list for the committee to look into.</p>
<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA</b></p>	<p>Motion: Cheryl Smith      Second: Terry Ostrander          To approve the <a href="#">Consent Agenda</a>, that contains the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of the January 20, 2010 Board Meeting</li> <li>• Minutes of the January 27, 2010 Board Meeting</li> </ul> <p>All voted Aye to approve the motion. Ayes:5    Noes: 0      Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith      Second: Mark Pribis          To <u>table</u> the following portions of the <a href="#">Consent Agenda</a> to the March Board meeting, allowing time for one Board Member, who did not receive these reports, to review them before being approved by the Board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• January District Treasurer's Report</li> <li>• January Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report</li> </ul> <p>All voted Aye to approve the motion. Ayes:5    Noes: 0      Motion Carried</p>
<p><b>REPORTS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS</b></p>	<p>Mr. Bednarek spoke briefly about the snack shack and how Booster Club Presidents were invited to a meeting to talk about its operations.</p> <p>Mr. Sutton reported on the search for a new Superintendent of Schools at Galway. Applications are currently being reviewed by various representatives. The Board of Education will meet on February 19<sup>th</sup> to select semi-finalists and proceed from there with interviews.</p>
<p><b>PERSONNEL</b></p>	<p>Motion: Mark Pribis      Second: Terry Ostrander          To approve the following <u>Non-Instructional Personnel Items</u>.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes:5      Noes: 0      Motion Carried</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Susan Miner</a>      <a href="#">School Nurse (11- Month) Appointment</a>              Effective 2/1/10              \$14.35/hour      \$23,686 per year pro-rated              Pending Fingerprint Clearance.              She is a Registered Nurse.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Heather Minett</a>      <a href="#">Teacher Aide Appointment</a>              Effective 2/1/10              \$7.73/hour              Pending Fingerprint Clearance</li> <li>• <a href="#">Tracey Phillips</a>      <a href="#">Asst. Food Service Helper Resignation</a>              Effective 1/24/10</li> </ul>

<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p>• <b>Tracey Phillips</b>      <b>Food Service Helper <u>Appointment</u></b>                      Effective 1/25/10                      With no change in salary.                      Now entitled to benefits.                      Has Fingerprint Clearance.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Sally Crawford</b>      <b>Asst. Food Service Helper Appointment</b>                      Effective 1/25/10                      \$8.09/hour                      Has Fingerprint Clearance.                      Previously a Substitute Cafeteria Worker.</p> </li> <li> <p>• A paid/unpaid medical leave of absence for <b>Theresa Maloney</b> from her <b>Cook</b> position per the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 effective 1/5/10 for a health condition. This time can be taken intermittent while being medically treated for up to twelve weeks and will run concurrent with her family and personal time.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>TEMPORARY</b> appointment of <b>Theresa Maloney</b> as a <b>Food Service Helper</b> effective 2/3/10 until the end of her FMLA leave of absence, at a rate of \$8.09 per hour.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>TEMPORARY</b> appointment of <b>Margaret Ugalde</b> as a <b>Cook</b> effective 1/28/10 at a rate of \$8.84/hour pending fingerprint clearance. She replaces Theresa Maloney who is on a FMLA leave of absence.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Debbie Hanna</b>      <b>Substitute Teacher Aide</b>                      Effective 2/11/10                      \$7.35/hour                      Pending Fingerprint Clearance.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Laura Normile</b>      <b>Substitute Teacher Aide</b>                      Effective 2/10/10                      \$7.35/hour                      Pending Fingerprint Clearance.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Jennifer Barnett</b>      <b>Substitute Teacher Aide</b>                      Effective 2/10/10                      \$7.35/hour                      Pending Fingerprint Clearance.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Linda Hoffman</b>      <b>Substitute Cafeteria Worker</b>                      Effective 1/29/10                      \$7.35/hour                      Pending Fingerprint Clearance.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Michelle Jensen</b>      <b>Substitute Clerical Worker</b>                      Effective 1/25/10                      \$7.35/hour                      Pending Fingerprint Clearance.</p> </li> <li> <p>• <b>Gilbert LaBreck</b>      <b>Substitute Cafeteria Worker</b>                      Effective 2/4/10                      \$7.35 per hour                      Has Fingerprint Clearance.                      He is currently a Substitute Custodian/Cleaner.</p> </li> </ul>
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Motion: Bradley Rooke                      Second: Terry Ostrander  
 To approve the following Instructional Personnel Items.  
 All voted Aye to approve the motion.  
 Ayes:5              Noes: 0              Motion Carried

- The appointment of the following **Odyssey of the Mind Coaches** for the 2009-10 school year at a stipend of \$416 each. (Janice Gileski to be paid for coaching a Division 1 & 2 team.)

<b>Julie Behrens</b>	Parent	Pending Fingerprint Clearance
<b>Antone Mello</b>	Parent	Pending Fingerprint Clearance
<b>Janice Gileski</b>	Parent	Pending Fingerprint Clearance
<b>Laura Sakala</b>	Parent	Pending Fingerprint Clearance
<b>Nancy Lisicki</b>	Parent	Pending Fingerprint Clearance
<b>Jeanine Flinton</b>	Teacher	Has Fingerprint Clearance

A discussion took place Odyssey of the Mind coaches being volunteers in the past. The Board questioned why they are now paid positions when most, if not all, want to be volunteers. It was mentioned that some don't even know they are getting paid and don't want to be paid and yet the GTA contract now has a stipend attached to the position so it seems like people cannot volunteer because of this. Per the request of the Board, Superintendent Marcelle is going obtain legal advice to see if hiring volunteers would be in violation of any bargaining unit agreements. It was said that there have been similar instances in the past where people wanted to volunteer to do things in the district but felt pressured to not do it on a volunteer basis. It was mentioned that all of these additional stipends add up affect the budget, especially with major state aide reductions taking place across the state forcing schools to make major reductions in their budgets.

- Approve a paid/ unpaid medical leave of absence for **Sara Immel** from her **Elementary Teacher** position per the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 effective on or around April 19, 2010 for a total of ten weeks which will be until the end of the school year. This medical leave time will run concurrently with her sick time.
- The appointment of **Susan Peters** as a **Teacher Mentor** to Jennifer Levin at a rate of \$29 per hour per Article 12.9 of the GTA contract.
- The appointment of **Sara Korona** as a **Long-Term Substitute Elementary Teacher** effective on or around April 19, 2010 until the end of the school year at Step M2 of the salary schedule \$42,100/year prorated. She is cleared for employment and replaces Sara Immel who will be on maternity leave.
- The appointment of **Laura Sheldon** as a **Long-Term Substitute Family & Consumer Science Teacher** effective on or around March 16, 2010 until on or around April 23, 2010 at a rate of \$146.60 per diem. She is cleared for employment and replaces Jill Miller who will be on maternity leave.

<p><b>PERSONNEL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The appointment of <b>Amanda Hodgkins</b> as a <b>Substitute Teacher Grades K-5</b> effective February 10, 2010 per the SASIE Agreement and pending fingerprint clearance.</li> <li>• The appointment of <b>Tammy Ceroalo</b> as an <b>Unpaid Assistant Girls Modified Softball Coach</b> for the 2009-10 school year, pending fingerprint clearance.</li> </ul>
<p><b>OLD BUSINESS</b></p>	
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p>	<p>A 1<sup>st</sup> reading of <b>Medicaid Compliance Program Policy #4323</b> took place.</p> <p>Motion: Terry Ostrander Second: Mark Pribis          To have a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt <b>Sex Offender Notification Policy #5010</b>.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith Second: Terry Ostrander          To have a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt <b>Budget Transfer Policy #6135</b>.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith Second: Terry Ostrander          To have a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt revised <b>Code of Conduct Policy #2200</b>.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith Second: Mark Pribis          To approve that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District authorize participation in a <b>Cooperative Purchasing Program</b> coordinated by WSWHE BOCES for the 2010-11 school year for the following commodities: ice cream, milk, bread &amp; bread products, copy paper/envelopes, O&amp;M paper products and cafeteria paper products.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith Second: Mark Pribis          To approve an <b>EMC3 Club Trip</b> to the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Conference in New York City on March 17-19, 2010.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith Second: Terry Ostrander          To establish the date of Friday, February 19, 2010 for a <b>Special Board of Education meeting</b> beginning at 5:00 PM in the high school conference room for the purpose of reviewing applications for the Superintendent of Schools vacancy in the District. It is anticipated that the Board will move directly into executive session for this purpose and adjourn immediately afterward.          All voted Aye to approve the motion.          Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Motion Carried</p>

<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	
<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>	<p>Motion: Cheryl Smith    Second: Terry Ostrander  To move into <b>executive session</b> at 9:20 PM for CSE/CPSE recommendations and specific personnel matters.  All voted Aye to approve the motion.  Ayes: 5                      Noes: 0            Motion Carried</p> <p>Motion: Cheryl Smith    Second: Terry Ostrander  To arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the <b>CSE/CPSE</b>: 2834, 4588, 6021, 5107, 3276, 4542.  All voted Aye to approve the motion.  Ayes: 5                      Noes: 0            Motion Carried</p>
<b>REGULAR SESSION</b>	<p>Motion: Cheryl Smith    Second: John Sutton  To return to <b>regular session</b> at 10:00 PM.  All voted Aye to approve the motion.  Ayes: 5                      Noes: 0            Motion Carried</p>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<p>Motion: Terry Ostrander    Second: Bradley Rooke to adjourn at 10:00 PM.  All voted Aye to approve the motion.  Ayes: 5                      Noes: 0            Motion Carried</p>

Respectfully submitted,

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