

Minutes

Board of Education Meeting

January 27, 2011

7:00 P.M.

High School Library

Draft until approved by the Board at their next meeting.

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM in the High School Library. All Board Members were present: John Sutton, Cheryl Smith, Janet Glenn, Terry Ostrander, Mark Pribis, Joan Slagle and Bradley Rooke. (Janet Glenn was present via Skype.)

Also present was the Superintendent of Schools, Kimberly LaBelle, Administrators and community members.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

Additional personnel items were added to the consent agenda. Approval of the 2011-12 school calendar was removed from the agenda and will appear on the February agenda for approval instead.

Public Comment on Agenda - None

Presentation

An overview of the Common Core Standards was presented by Mr. Trent Clay, Director of Curriculum and Instruction. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available by contacting Mr. Clay.

Superintendent's Report

Mrs. LaBelle reported that the District has been working on the 2011-12 school budget which today shows a 6.89% budget to budget increase, or a \$1.2 million increase. It is very early the process. The executive budget from Governor Cuomo should be released on February 1st and the District will have more information about State Aid and other revenues to schools.

Potential changes in Regents and graduations requirements were talked about.

The District Superintendent expressed an interest in attending a future Galway Board of Education Meeting.

The Board of Education is holding a series of Community Budget Chats to provide an overview of the upcoming 2011-2012 school budget preparations. The first Chat will also include a discussion of the top educational priorities for Galway School District residents. The next Chats will be held on February 15th in the Elementary Cafeteria from 7-8:00 PM and on March 3rd in the High School Cafeteria from 7-8:00 PM. There will also be informational pieces added to the District web site where people can comment through the "We're Listening" section of the website.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Cheryl Smith, seconded by Bradley Rooke to accept the consent agenda minus the appointment of a part-time clearer which was vote on separately later in the meeting.

All voted Aye. Motion Passed 7-0

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Accept December Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report

Accept December District Treasurer's Report

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Accept Budget Transfer Schedule-1 dated 1/27/11

MINUTES

Accept Board Meeting Minutes of 12/16/10 and 01/13/11

Approval of Consent Agenda (Continued)**PERSONNEL**
RESIGNATIONS**Martha Townley**

Accept the resignation of Martha Townley from her Special Education Teacher position effective June 30, 2011 for retirement purposes with thanks and appreciation for her many years of service to the District.

Eileen Donovan

Accept the resignation of Eileen Donovan from her Special Education Teacher position effective June 30, 2011 for retirement purposes with thanks and appreciation for her many years of service to the District.

Lori Liebert

Accept the resignation of Lori Liebert from her Special Education Teacher position effective June 30, 2011 for retirement purposes with thanks and appreciation for her many years of service to the District.

Lisa Burroughs

Accept the resignation of Lisa Burroughs from Teacher Aide position effective January 21, 2011.

Tiffany Aldrich

Accept the resignation of Tiffany Aldrich from her Bus Monitor position effective January 10, 2011.

Kerry Munn

Accept the resignation of Kerry Munn from her Cook position effective January 21, 2011.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE**Susan Slater**

Approve a paid/unpaid maternity leave of absence for Susan Slater from her Family and Consumer Science Teacher position effective on or about March 20, 2011 through on or about May 6, 2011.

SUBSTITUTES**Karoline Trela**

Approve the appointment of Karoline Trela as a Substitute Grades 6-12 Teacher effective January 28, 2011 per the SASIE agreement. Her fingerprints have been cleared for employment.

Christina Gonzalez

Approve the appointment of Christina Gonzalez as a Substitute Grades K-5 Teacher effective January 28, 2011 per the SASIE agreement. Her fingerprints have been cleared for employment.

Kate Marcantonio

Approve the appointment of Kate Marcantonio as a Substitute Grades K-5 Teacher effective January 28, 2011 per the SASIE agreement. Her fingerprints have been cleared for employment.

Frederick Mitchell II

Approve the appointment of Frederick Mitchell II as a Substitute Grades K-5 Teacher effective January 28, 2011 per the SASIE agreement. His fingerprints have been cleared for employment.

Amanda Ferraro

Appoint Amanda Ferraro as a Long-term Elementary Remedial Reading Teacher effective January 24, 2011 through on or about June 10, 2011 at Step M1 of the GTA salary schedule \$42,200/year prorated. She has fingerprint clearance and replaces Jessica Dolan who is on LOA.

John Bardascini

Approve the appointment of John Bardascini as a Substitute Bus Monitor at a rate of \$8.25 per hour and as a Substitute Custodian/Cleaner at a rate of \$10.00 per hour effective January 28, 2011. He has fingerprint clearance.

Approval of Consent Agenda (Continued)Jennifer Cernak

Approve the appointment of Jennifer Cernak as a Substitute Cafeteria Worker effective January 28, 2011 at a rate of \$8.25 per hour. She has fingerprint clearance.

SPORTS/CO-CURRICULARPam Wilday

Rescind the appointment of Pam Wilday as Boys Basketball Scorekeeper and appoint her as Girls Basketball Scorekeeper instead for the 2010-11 school year at the same \$66/event rate of pay. (Neal Evans is the Boys Basketball Scorekeeper.)

Jennifer Tretiak

Rescind the appointment of Jennifer Tretiak as a substitute for all sports chaperones, timers, etc.

<u>Spring Coaches</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
<u>Baseball</u>			
Varsity	Toby Youngblood	C4	\$5,200
JV	Neal Evans	C4	\$4,200
Modified	Nicholas Morocco	A3	\$1,500
JV Unpaid Asst.	Robert Hartman	-	-
<u>Softball</u>			
Varsity	Paula Canell	C1	\$5,200
JV	Stuart Wilday	D	\$5,200
Modified	Jennifer Mazzone	A4	\$1,500
Varsity Unpaid Asst.	Jim Smith	-	-
<u>Track</u>			
Varsity (Boys)	Geoff Maliszewski	D	\$6,200
Varsity (Girls)	Jason Louder	B2	\$4,200
Modified (Co-ed)	Judy Horgan	B3	\$2,500
Modified (Co-ed)	Ruthann Daino	B3	\$2,500

Odyssey of the Mind Coaches

<u>Name</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Barbara Webb-Horvath	\$433 Pending Fingerprint Clearance
Antone Mello	\$433
Janice Gileski	\$433
Laura Sakala	\$433
Ethel Rubley	\$433
Nancy Lisicki	\$433
Sharon Maenza	\$433 Pending Fingerprint Clearance

Paul Levin

Appoint Paul Levin as an unpaid temporary Student Activity Account Science Club Advisor during the 2010-11 school year while the current advisor, Emily Flores, is out on maternity leave.

Lucinda Ormiston

Appoint Lucinda Ormiston as a Mentor for Ethel Rubley in the 2010-11 school year for up to 30 hours of compensation at the GTA contractual rate of \$30/hour.

Denise Kalinkewicz

Rescind the appointment of Denise Kalinkewicz as 12th Grade One Act Play Advisor for the 2010-11 school year.

OTHER APPOINTMENTSGuy Gardner

Approve the emergency conditional appointment of Guy Gardner as Interim Facilities Director effective January 10, 2011 – June 30, 2011 at a salary of \$30,000 pro-rated pending fingerprint clearance. He replaces Bill Swietnicki who is on LOA.

Approval of Consent Agenda (Continued)Valerie Bellon-Halligan

Appoint Valerie Bellon-Halligan as a Teacher Aide to work Monday-Friday from 2:40 – 3:40 PM for Distance Learning effective February 1, 2011 – March 24, 2011 (27 sessions) at her regular Teacher Aide hourly rate of pay hour.

Linda Hoffman

Appoint Linda Hoffman as a Teacher Aide for 2 hours and 45 minutes per day effective January 31, 2011 at a rate of \$8.33 per hour. She has fingerprint clearance.

Karli Smith

Appoint Karli Smith as a part-time Cleaner (4 hours per day) effective December 20, 2010 at a rate of \$9.98 per hour. She has fingerprint clearance.

This appointment was removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately by the Board of Education. After a discussion of whether or not to fill the position a motion was made by John Sutton, second by Terry Ostrander to approve the appointment.

All voted aye except for Bradley Rooke, Cheryl Smith and Janet Glenn. Motion Passed 4-3

Board Member Comments

Bradley Rooke, Board Member, was recently named Area 7 Alternate on the NYSSBA Sharing Committee.

Bradley Rooke and Linda Casatelli were thanked for their efforts in organizing the recent SCSBA meeting. Attorney Monica Duffy was thanked for being the guest speaker that evening.

John Sutton reported that the district is waiting to hear the Governor's proposal regarding State Aid for education with the hopes of no mid-year cuts. News reports mention freezing State employee salaries and the possibility of a cap on non-funded mandates. This will mean limited options to Galway School. The District will have to make a decision on how much if the fund balance will be used to offset the lack of revenue from the State.

New Business2nd Reading/Adopt Credit Card Use Policy #6860

Motion-Bradley Rooke, Second-Joan Slagle

To table the adoption of Credit Card Use Policy #6860 for further discussion at the next meeting.

All voted aye except for John Sutton. Motion Passed 6-1

2nd Reading/Adopt Recruiting and Hiring Policy #9240

Motion-John Sutton Second-Terry Ostrander

To adopt Recruiting and Hiring Policy #9240 as presented.

All voted aye except for Joan Slagle, Bradley Rooke, Mark Pribis & Cheryl Smith

MOTION DID NOT PASS 4-3

This policy will be discussed further at the next Board Work Session.

Authorize Superintendent of Schools to develop and solicit an RFP for legal services to begin 7/1/11.

Motion-Cheryl Smith Second-Mark Pribis Motion passed 7-0

To authorize the Superintendent of Schools to develop and solicit an RFP for legal services to begin July 1, 2011.

Marine Biology Trip

Motion-Cheryl Smith Second-Joan Slagle Motion passed 7-0

Approve a Marine Biology Club Trip to the Marine Research Center in Key Largo, Florida on July 10-13, 2011.

New Business (Continued)BOCES Cooperative Bid

Motion-John Sutton Second-Terry Ostrander Motion passed 7-0
 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 2011-12 school year for the following commodities: ice cream, milk, bread & bread products, copy paper/envelopes, O&M paper products and cafeteria paper products.

Health & Welfare Services Contract - Scotia-Glenville CSD / Saratoga Springs CSD

Motion-John Sutton Second-Bradley Rooke Motion passed 7-0
 Authorize the Board President to sign a Health & Welfare Services Contract with the Scotia-Glenville Central School District for Health & Welfare Services for nine (9) students residing in the Galway School District and attending a non-public school in the Scotia-Glenville School District in the amount of \$6,200.37 (\$688.93 per student).
 and
 Authorize the Board President to sign a Health & Welfare Services Contract with the Saratoga Springs City School District for Health & Welfare Services for eight (8) students residing in the Galway School District and attending non-public schools in the Saratoga Springs School District in the amount of \$3,044.16 (\$380.52 per student).

Summer School 2011 Resolution

Motion-Terry Ostrander Second-John Sutton Motion passed 7-0
 Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District adopt the following a Summer School 2011 Resolution:
 WHEREAS, the Galway Central School District intends to prepare an application to provide Special Education School Aged Summer School services for students for 2011; and
 WHEREAS, the Galway Central School District has calculated that the cost of operating such programs in summer 2011 would be approximately \$1,300 per day, per student; and
 WHEREAS, the Galway Central School District has been advised by the Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex Board of Cooperative Educational Services (WSWHE BOCES) that it will provide the 2011 summer program at an approximate cost of

ESY	2009 Cost	Stac Rate	District Liability
Program	\$186	\$161	\$25
1:1 TA	\$133	\$ 84	\$49
1:1 Aide	\$ 85	\$ 84	\$ 1

Per Day, Per Student (Actual costs for ESY 2011 will be determined after completion of the program); and

WHEREAS, the Galway Central School District cannot provide Special Education School Aged Summer School services in a more cost-effective manner than WSWHE BOCES due to the ability of WSWHE BOCES to offer and provide services to multiple Districts who are able to share costs; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Galway Central School District intends to participate in the 2011 Summer School and agrees to pay the actual WSWHE BOCES rate for the 2011 Summer School, notwithstanding SED tuition rates, as it is significantly less costly than providing the services in District; and it is further understood that districts will pay for at least one week of enrollment for a student who subsequently drops before the first day of summer school; and

RESOLVED, that no later than April 1, 2011, the Clerk of the Board shall notify the WSWHE BOCES in writing of the District's commitment as described herein and the District's intent to participate in the 2011 Special Education School Age Summer School.

Public Comment

A motor vehicle accident that occurred near the school was brought up where the person involved in the accident is arguing with the District's insurance company. The Board President stated that this must be dealt with through the insurance company and not the school district.

A resident asked about having a policy and then amending a procedure. A brief discussion followed.

Executive Session

At 8:20 PM: Motion-John Sutton Second-Joan Slagle 6-1 Motion Passed

All voted Aye except for Cheryl Smith

1. Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District enter into executive session to discuss CSE/CPSE recommendations which are confidential by law and exempt from Public Meetings Law;
2. To discuss materials which may lead to promotion, demotion, discipline or other action with regard to the employment status of particular people and employment by the Galway Central School District;
3. To discuss a preliminary internal auditor's report which may include material which is made confidential by Federal Law or State Law and which is exempt from the provisions of the Open Meetings Law.

Regular Session

Motion-Terry Ostrander Second-Mark Pribis 7-0 Motion Carried

To return to regular session at 9:30 PM.

CSE/CPSE Recommendations

Motion-Terry Ostrander Second-Joan Slagle 7-0 Motion Carried

To arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the CSE/CPSE:
3616, 6048, 6035, 6043, 4536, 6037, 4654, 6033, 5039, 4652, 5089, 6041, 4319

Adjournment

Motion-Bradley Rooke Second- Terry Ostrander 7-0 Motion Carried

To adjourn at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli

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