

Galway Central School District
Board of Education Work Session
MINUTES

Thursday, November 29, 2012

5:45 PM Executive Session

6:30 PM Work Session

Board members present: Cheryl Smith, President; Thomas Rumsey, Vice-President;
Nancy Lisicki, Dennis Schaperjahn, Joan Slagle

Board members absent: Janet Glenn

Motion was made by Dennis Schaperjahn, second by Thomas Rumsey

To go into executive session at 6:30 PM in the High School Conference Room for collective bargaining negotiations.

All voted Aye. Motion Carried 5 – Yes 0 – No

Motion was made by Nancy Lisicki, second by Dennis Schaperjahn

To move out of executive session and into the work session at 6:45 PM in the High School Library.

All voted Aye. Motion Carried 5 – Yes 0 – No

Others Present: William F. Scott, Superintendent of Schools; Linda Jackowski, Director of Pupil Services; Brita Donovan, Associate Principal Gr. 7-12; Michelle McDougall, Elementary School Principal; Michael Healey, Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Alyson Bingham, SOS Representative; Community Members

Superintendent Search

The Board of Education reviewed the Superintendent Search Brochure that will be used when recruiting a new Galway Superintendent. Minor revisions to the brochure will be made and information about STEM and Galway's involvement in the NASA program will be added.

Mr. Scott, Superintendent of Schools, gave a summary of the tentative plan for hiring a new Superintendent of Schools. It is anticipated that there will be a special board meeting on January 10, 2013 to review contract parameters and to develop interview questions during executive session and a special board meeting on January 31, 2013 to review application materials in executive session.

Management-Confidential Handbook

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey, second by Nancy Lisicki

To approve the Management-Confidential Handbook as presented.

All voted Aye. Motion Carried 5 – Yes 0 – No

Board Vacancy

The vacancy on the Board of Education due to John Sutton's resignation has been advertised and the two highest vote getters from the last election in May, 2012 have been contacted to see if they were interested in serving on the Board of Education until the next school election in May, 2013. A Board Member Application will be sent to each person for them to complete and return to the District Clerk by December 7th. The two highest vote getters from the last election are Cheryl Hardcastle and Terry Ostrander. Laura Sakala expressed an interest and will resign from her Substitute Teacher Aide position if chosen to be a Board member since Board members cannot be employed by the district.

Support our Schools Fund Agreement

Mr. Scott reported on a Support Our Schools (S.O.S.) Agreement that was sent to the School Attorney for review. Legalities were discussed along with the fee structure. Alyson Bingham was present to respond to questions and to clarify and address any open issues. Support Our Schools (S.O.S) is a community driven initiative to support and sustain Academic Programs, Enrichment, and Extra-Curricular offerings within the Galway Central School District through Grants, Charitable Giving, and Volunteerism. Information can be obtained by going to the SOS section of the Galway Central School District website at www.galwaycsd.org.

Honors Classes

A discussion of honors classes at Galway School took place. Mr. Healey, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, is looking into it with FMCC, etc. The student scheduling process for next year has begun.

School Lunch Manager Update

The Board of Education will be provided information at the December 13th Board meeting to appoint Amy Trigg to the position of Cook-Manager until the end of the school year. She replaces Barbara Dean who retires on November 30, 2012. Barbara Dean has agreed to work four hours per day for approximately two weeks to help with the transition.

Education Foundation

Mr. Scott reported that the District received \$3,965 in checks from the Galway Community Education Foundation for various grants. Sincere thanks and appreciation were extended to them.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli

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District Clerk