

GALWAY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING
Thursday, April 24, 2014
6:30pm
MINUTES

Board Members Present: Thomas Rumsey, President, Dennis Schaperjahn, Vice President, Melodye Eldeen, Joan Slagle, Laura Sakala, Jay Anderson, Anita Crawford.

Meeting was called to order by Thomas Rumsey, at 6:30pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Others in Attendance: Shannon Shine, Superintendent, Tim Hilker, School Business Administrator, Mike Healey, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Brita Donovan, Associate Jr./Sr. High School Principal/Athletic Director, Michelle McDougall, Elementary School Principal, Lin Jackowski, Director of Pupil Services, parents, faculty/staff, community members.

Superintendent Report

The Sports Management class was asked by the Genium Group in Amsterdam to complete in a real-life marketing challenge between Galway and St. Johnsville. The school that gets the most spectators at the game wins. The group also looks at the marketing plan and the execution. We could be eligible for a grand prize of \$1,000. They chose to promote the varsity baseball team. Our home game is May 7th at 4:30. The class is trying to get as many people at the game as possible.

The Policy Committee is continuing to go through the policies. They are progressing well.

Mr. Shine mentioned that it is time for law firm proposals. We can either renew with the firm we have or change. Mr. Rumsey would like to see the rates for the different firms before making a decision. The other Board members agreed.

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, seconded by Dennis Schaperjahn, to approve the following consent agenda:

Aye: 7

No: 0

Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Accept Budget Status Report

Accept Budget Transfers if Applicable

Accept March, 2014 Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report

MINUTES

Accept the March 27, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes.

PERSONNEL

Appoint Lisa Perry as a Substitute Cleaner effective April 25, 2014 at a rate of \$11.11 per hour.

Appoint Christopher O'Hara as a Bus Driver effective April 28, 2014 at a rate of \$16.01 per hour. He was previously a Substitute Bus Driver.

(See NEW BUSINESS for the appointment of a School Business Administrator.)
End of Consent Agenda

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Dennis Schaperjahn, seconded by Laura Sakala, to approve the following resolution:

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District appoint Timothy Hilker to the position of School Business Administrator effective July 1, 2014 for a three-year probationary period in the tenure area of School Business Administrator effective July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017 at a salary of \$90,000 in the 2014-15 school year and authorize the President of the Board of Education to sign an Agreement between the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District and Timothy Hilker.

Motion made by Tom Rumsey, seconded by Jay Anderson, to approve the following Board member candidate names to appear on the May 20, 2014 Election Ballot in the order shown below as determined by a random drawing held on April 22, 2014. Nominating petitions were due on April 21, 2014.

1. Andrew McPherson
2. Joan Slagle
3. Cathryn Hunt
4. Anita Crawford

(There are two vacancies on the Galway Central School District Board of Education. One vacancy is a four-year term of office that is effective July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2018. This seat is currently held by Joan Slagle. The other vacancy is a one-year term of office that is effective immediately following the election on May 20, 2014 and filing of an oath of office, until June 30, 2015. This one-year vacancy is to complete the four-year term of office of Nancy Lisicki, who resigned in September, 2013; Anita Crawford was then appointed to fill Nancy Lisicki's seat on the Board of Education until the next general election on May 20, 2014 which results in a one-year vacancy. All Board seats are at-large. Thus the successful candidate with the lowest number of votes shall be seated for the one-year term.)

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Motion made by Laura Sakala, seconded by Anita Crawford, to approve the use of one unused emergency school closing day to extend the 2014 Memorial Day Holiday to include the Friday before Memorial Day.

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Motion made by Dennis Schaperjahn, seconded by Joan Slagle, to authorize participation in the Cooperative Purchasing Program coordinated by the WSWHE BOCES for the 2014-15 School Year for copy paper/envelopes and custodial paper products.

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Board Member Comments

Laura Sakala congratulated the students whose written work was selected for "Talent Unlimited". Seven Galway Junior/Senior High School English students had a total of 11 writing pieces accepted into this year's "Talent Unlimited," an annual literary art journal. Five Galway students were chosen to read their work.

Laura Sakala said the play, "Annie Get Your Gun" was great with many great performances by the students.

Joan Slagle enjoyed the "walk through" on Tuesday. She said it looked like a well run operation. The halls were admirably empty. She hopes that next year there will not be any study halls in the high school cafeteria. It is difficult for students to concentrate while in there with all the distractions. She is hoping that the school can locate room in the budget regarding the social studies department to help students excel on the Social Studies Regents exams.

Melodye Eldeen enjoyed the tour of the school as well. Continued improvements in the cleaning and maintenance of the buildings were evident throughout the walk through. The floors were shiny and everyone was very positive.

Congratulations were extended to high school science teacher Kris Darlington for being selected as a state Master Teacher by Gov. Andrew Cuomo. He will receive \$15,000 in annual stipends for four years to will work with students on new programs designed to enhance instruction in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Motion was made by Dennis Schaperjahn, seconded by Laura Sakala, to move into executive session at 7:03pm to discuss CSE/CPSE recommendations and Management Confidential Benefits.

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Motion was made by Dennis Schaperjahn, seconded by Jay Anderson, to move out of executive session at 7:47pm.

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Motion was made by Joan Slagle, seconded by Dennis Schaperjahn, to accept the following CSE/CPSE recommendations:

2786, 2825, 3405, 6434, 3012, 5109, 6402, 6405, 6319, 6319, 5504, 5504, 5482, 3630, 5404, 3869, 3368, 3819, 3159, 3193, 3874, 3498, 3452, 4660, 3497, 3346, 5201, 5417, 5001, 5556, 6044, 3521, 3180, 3325, 3462, 6327, 3562, 3024, 30841, 6100, 3630.

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Motion was made by Dennis Schaperjahn, seconded by Jay Anderson, to adjourn at 7:48pm.

Aye: 7 No: 0 Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara A. Agresta

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District Clerk