



GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION MINUTES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President David Schaperjahn at 6:30 PM in the High School Library.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Board President Dennis Schaperjahn, Board Vice-President Melodye Eldeen, Jay Anderson, Anita Crawford, Thomas Rumsey, Joan Slagle

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Shannon C. Shine, Superintendent of Schools; Tim Hilker, Business Administrator; Student Senate and Student Yearbook Representatives

ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA – were noted

STUDENT SENATE PRESENTATION

At the last Board meeting, Student Senate gave a presentation to the Board defining the roles and responsibilities of Student Senate. At that meeting the Board explained that next year's school budget is in the process of being developed and asked for student input to assist in planning for next year. They asked that Student Senate reach out to students to find out what students like at Galway and what they would like to see changed in the categories of Facilities, Curriculum and Activities to help better our school. Student Senate reported back to the Board with the results below. Items were discussed and will be followed through on.

Student Senate School Climate Results

What We Like

Facilities	Curriculum	Activities
APARC Room	Art/Music Programs	Full-day field day
New Weight Room Location	New Electives	

What Needs to be Changed

Facilities	Curriculum	Activities
Better Food	More AP Classes – Trained AP Teachers	Whole Lunch at Eagle Landing
Better Sanitation in Cafeteria	Part-time College Prep/CEIP Position - earlier ranking, earlier Senior meetings	Whole lunch Outside
Fix Bathroom Stalls		Overnight field trips
More water bottle fillers		Access to weight room during study halls
Bottle Recycling		More access to the gym
		Overnight sport tournaments

STUDENT YEARBOOK PRESENTATION

A Student Yearbook presentation took place which highlighted the responsibilities of the Editor and Assistant Editor and the importance of having a yearbook. The yearbook creates memories where students can look back years from now and reflect back on their years at Galway. Ads are solicited and placed in the yearbook which helps fund the yearbook to make it affordable. A payment plan is available. The cost is currently \$50 per yearbook.

BUDGET UPDATE

A 2015-16 Budget Development Update was provided by Mr. Hilker, School Business Administrator. It has been revised to include revisions made at the meeting. (see attached)

ANTHEM DATA BREACH UPDATE

Mr. Hilker, School Business Administrator, provided information on the recent Anthem Data Breach. It is estimated that over 80 million members may be impacted by this massive cyber attack where personal data from members may have been accessed. Specific impacted members have not yet been identified, but all members of Empire Blue Cross and all employees have been notified of the potential of compromised personal information. Further information is being provided as it becomes available, including various website addresses people can go on and hotline telephone numbers they can call with specific questions. Members can also call the Business Office for assistance. The District's insurance carrier continues to assess the situation and provide guidance.

MARINE BIOLOGY TRIP

The Board was informed that the Marine Biology Club completed a fundraiser to help subsidize some of the cost of the trip below. The Student Activity Accounts Monthly Treasurer's Report does not show any deposits made to the account and questioned why. It may be that the deposit(s) were made after the report was printed. Mr. Shine will look into it and report back to the Board.

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, second by Jay Anderson to approve a Marine Biology Club trip to the Adventure Aquarium in New Jersey on Saturday, May 30, 2015 at zero cost to the District.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 6-Yes 0-No

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey, second by Melodye Eldeen to approve the following Consent Agenda.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 6-Yes 0-No

CONSENT AGENDA**MINUTES**

January 22, 2015	Board Meeting Minutes
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FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2014 – January 31, 2015	Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report
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PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

NAME	TITLE / DETAILS
Nicholas Grolley	Long-term Substitute Math Teacher effective February 10, 2015 – June 30, 2015 at Step M1 of the GTA contract at a salary pro-rated to \$21,180.55
Pauline Muth	Long-term Substitute Science Teacher effective January 20, 2015 – June 30, 2015 at Step M1 of the GTA contract at a salary pro-rated to \$24,335.10.
Nancy Christiansen Brian Collins Juliet Aldrich Amy Derwin	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab \$42/hour 2014-15 School Year

PERSONNEL RESIGNATION

NAME	TITLE / DETAILS
Kaitlin Smith	Teacher Aide – Effective February 20, 2015
Anne Rose	Bus Driver – Effective February 12, 2015

BOARD POLICY

A 1st Reading of Board of Education Policy #9240 and Regulation #9240R – Recruiting and Hiring took place. It will appear on the next Board meeting agenda for a 2nd reading/adoption.

DONATION

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, second by Thomas Rumsey to accept a donation of \$6,438.84 from the Ilisababy Foundation for the Arts in Education program with thanks and appreciation.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 6-Yes 0-No

OTHER

Jay Anderson, Board Member, stated that he will not be able to attend the February 26, 2015 Board meeting due to a prior commitment.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey, second by Melodye Eldeen to adjourn at 9:00 PM.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 6-Yes 0-No

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli

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District Clerk

Attachment: 2015-16 Budget Development Update

2015-16 Budget Development UpdateBudget Update Agenda

- Budget Process Objectives
- Revenue Budget
 - Governor's Budget Proposal for State Aid
 - Property Tax Levy
- Preliminary Budget & Staffing
 - Contractual & Fixed Costs
 - Preliminary Budget Requests
- Important Dates
- Conclusions/Questions

Budget Process Objectives

- Lobby legislators for increase in state aid
- Establish & fund a capital reserve
- Maximize resources to meet district goals
- Stabilize bus replacement schedule
- Align staffing levels with programming
- Align curriculum to CCLS
- Investments in Technology and O & M

Governor's Budget Proposal\$377m Proposal

\$228,285 increase

No Foundation Aid

Increases only in:

Building Aid*

BOCES Aid

Transportation Aid

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\$1.1b Proposal

??? until April 1

Foundation vs. GEA

If GEA (\$920,128)

25% = \$230,032

50% = \$460,064

If Foundation

Likely less than GEA

Property Tax Levy LimitEstimate of Tax Levy Limit:

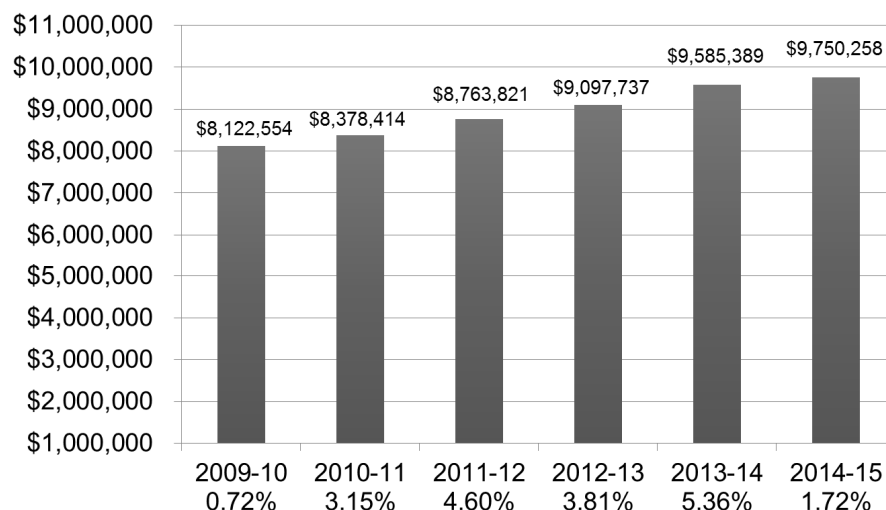
0.85%

Equivalent Increase in Property Tax Revenue

\$83,116

Estimated Overall Tax Rate (on True Value, per \$1,000):

14.58 (14.42 in 2014-15)

History of Property Tax Levy

2015-16 Budget Development UpdateProperty Tax Freeze

- Year 1 (2014): Under Levy Limit
- Year 2 (2015): Under Levy Limit
- Efficiency Plans Due June 2015
 - Consolidated Bus Runs
 - Health Insurance Trust
 - Reconfiguration of IT Management
 - Cooperative Purchasing Initiatives

Revenue Budget Summary

	State Aid Revenue:	\$	228,285
<u>Tax Levy Increase</u>	<u>Tax Revenue</u>		<u>Total Revenue</u>
0.25%	\$ 24,376	\$	252,661
0.50%	\$ 48,751	\$	277,036
0.75%	\$ 73,127	\$	301,412
1.00%	\$ 97,503	\$	325,788
1.25%	\$ 121,878	\$	350,163
1.50%	\$ 146,254	\$	374,539
1.75%	\$ 170,630	\$	398,915
2.00%	\$ 195,005	\$	423,290

Contractual & Fixed Costs

- Salaries
 - GTA: \$144,916
 - CSEA: \$ 35,679
 - Admin: \$ 11,871
 - MC: \$ 7,021
- Teachers' Retirement System
 - (\$169,144) (decrease)
- Employees' Retirement System
 - (\$5,684) (decrease)
- FICA/Med
 - \$15,265
- Health Care (estimated)
 - Empire (9.0%) \$ 73,198
 - MVP (6.5%) \$ 30,780
 - CDPHP (6.5%) \$ 25,867
 - Other (Dental, Vision) \$ 24,500
 - Total Health \$154,345
- Debt Service
 - Capital (\$100) (decrease)
 - Transportation \$142,250
 - Total Debt Service \$141,150

2015-16 Budget Development UpdateContractual & Fixed Costs (Continued)Summary

– Salaries	\$199,487
– TRS	(\$169,144)
– ERS	(\$ 5,684)
– FICA/Med	\$ 15,265
– Health Care	\$154,345
– Debt Service	<u>\$141,150</u>
TOTAL	\$335,419

Staffing Requests

• 0.5 – 1.0 FTE Music	\$ 43,595-71,660
• 0.5 – 1.0 FTE Science	\$ 43,595-71,660
• 1.5 FTE Reading (ES & HS)	\$115,255
• 1.0 FTE Clerical (HS)	\$ 45,219
• 1.0 FTE Maintenance	\$ 44,228

Budget Requests

• PTEC		
– 5 @ 9 th Grade	\$ 5,000	
– 5 @ 11 th Grade	\$ 45,000	
• Adopt Reading Program		
– \$30,000-35,000		
• Additional Summer Curriculum		\$TBD
• 3 rd Grade Summer School		\$TBD
• Convert BOCES Literacy Position to 0.5 FTE Reading		\$TBD
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• Technology		
– Hardware/Software	\$53,000	
– Staffing	\$66,650	
• O & M		
– Funding for Projects	\$40,000	
– Equipment	\$25,000	
TOTAL Budget Requests:	\$556,542 – 617,672	

Important Dates

- 2/26 & 3/12 Presentation of Department & Operational Budgets
- 3/26 Budget Meeting & Workshop
- 4/1 Legislative Budget Due
- 4/23 Budget Workshop*
- 4/24 Deadline to Adopt Budget
- 5/7 Budget Hearing
- 5/19 Budget Vote