



GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
**MINUTES**  
Thursday, February 26, 2015  
6:00 PM – High School Conference Room

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### CALL TO ORDER

Board President Dennis Schaperjahn called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the High School Conference Room.

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Anita Crawford, Melodye Eldeen, Thomas Rumsey, Dennis Schaperjahn, Joan Slagle,

### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Jay Anderson

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey, second by Melodye Eldeen to move into executive session at 6:00 PM for a specific personnel matter.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

### REGULAR SESSION

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, second by Thomas Rumsey to move out of executive session and into regular session in the High School Library at 6:30 PM.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### OTHERS PRESENT

Shannon C. Shine, Superintendent of Schools; Tim Hilker, School Business Administrator; Michael Healey, Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Brita Donovan, Associate Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Michelle McDougall, Elementary School Principal; Linda Jackowski, Director of Pupil Services; Galway School employees, community members, parents, students.

### ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Were noted.

### AWARDS

1<sup>st</sup> New York Federal Credit Union awarded a \$1,000 check to PTSA for meeting the goal set by the credit union for new student accounts. The check will be forwarded to the Elementary School to be used for their TV station, mail delivery program, and the remaining cost of an iPad cart for the Science Lab and PLTW. This donation will be officially accepted by the Board later in the meeting.

### PRESENTATIONS

National Honor Society Presentation - Student officers gave a presentation on the Galway Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS). NHS is a nationwide organization that recognizes outstanding high school students who demonstrate excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Officers are elected, who, under the supervision of a faculty adviser, coordinate and manage the chapter as a student organization. Selection is based on four criteria: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 85 or higher and volunteer for at least 15 hours of community service projects throughout the year. NHS is active in community service activities both in the community and at the school and participate in a yearly fundraiser to raise money for worthwhile events in the District.

### PRESENTATIONS (Continued)

A Secondary Physical Education Presentation took place by Physical Education teachers Mrs. Wilday and Mr. Kennedy. They went over the National Physical Education Learning Standards that define what a student should know and be able to do as a result of a quality Physical Education program. State and local school districts across the county use these National Standards to develop or revise existing standards, frameworks and curricula. A review of what lesson plans consist of took place along with a review and discussion of the Rubrics Assessments Curriculum Map.

K-12 Project Lead the Way - 4th Grade students and their teacher participated in a presentation of K-12 Project Lead the Way (PLTW) at Galway School. Students talked about what they do in class and brought their PLTW projects with them to share with the Board to go over what was involved in creating their projects. PLTW encourages students to think and be creative problem-solvers. It is about applying Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) through a project-based, hands-on approach to solve complex open-ended problems in a real-world context. Students focus on the process of defining and solving a problem, not on getting the "right" answer. They learn how to apply STEM knowledge, skills, and habits of mind to make the world a better place through innovation. Jr./Sr. high school students talked about the positive impact PLTW has on students and graduates and how it influenced their post-secondary decisions and helped shaped their future. PLTW also provides opportunities to develop highly transferable skills in critical thinking, collaboration and problem solving, which are relevant for any coursework or career.

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

### DISTRICT COMPONENT UPDATES

Tim Hilker, Business Administrator, provided a budget update and went over individual Department Budgets with the Board. Input was received and revisions were made as needed. Additional department budgets will be reviewed at the next Board Meeting. The District is awaiting information regarding Senate and Assembly budget actions on March 12<sup>th</sup> which may provide information to school districts regarding state aid projections. This information, however, will most likely not be known until on or after the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline of releasing the NYS Budget from the Governor's office. A Special Board Meeting will need to take place on April 2<sup>nd</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> before the budget is adopted and asked that the Board determine which date they prefer.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Policy Committee meets on March 4<sup>th</sup> to review the next series of sample NYSSBA Policies and any others that need to be reviewed soon. These sample policies are used when developing/revising our policies. Policy Series 0000, 1000, 2000, and 3000 are complete. Once policies are reviewed by the committee, they will be brought back to the Board for a 1<sup>st</sup> reading at the next meeting. Attendance Policy #5100 appears later in the meeting as a discussion item along with a 2nd reading/adoption of Recruiting & Hiring Policy #9240 and Regulation #9240R.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent spoke about various topics earlier in the meeting. The Board is kept up to date on a continuous basis.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, second by Thomas Rumsey to approve the following Consent Agenda.  
All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

CONSENT AGENDAFINANCIAL REPORTS

February 23, 2015	Budget Status Report
December, 2014	District Treasurer's Report

MINUTES

February 12, 2015	Board Meeting Minutes
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PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS / OTHER

NAME	TITLE / DETAILS	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Jennifer Newell	Resignation from Teacher Aide position	-	February 20, 2015
Deborah Hanna	Appointment as a Bus Monitor	\$8.67/hour	October 1, 2014
Jessica Dolan	Appointment as a Mentor for Allison Reynolds	\$29.00/hour	September 1, 2014

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None - Comments were made throughout the meeting.

SPOTLIGHT ON ACADEMICS

Principal updates are provided electronically by Mr. Healey and Mrs. McDougall which include links, video clips, audio clips, and links to resources and is also available on the District's website.

Mr. Healey, Jr./Sr. High School Principal and Mrs. McDougall, Elementary School Principal reported on Mid-Year STAR results and provided a Master Scheduling update. The March 12th Board of Education work session will include a presentation on the Jr. High Math and ELA Labs. In preparation for this presentation, parents were encouraged to send questions about ELA and Math labs via email to Mr. Healey, Jr./Sr. High School Principal.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey second by Melodye Eldeen to approve the following:

Approve a Health and Welfare Services Contract with the Scotia-Glenville Central School District for approximately 11 children residing in the Galway Central School District that are attending non-public schools in the Scotia-Glenville Central School District in the amount of \$9,594.86 (\$872.26 per student).

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen second by Anita Crawford to approve the following:

Accept a donation of \$1,000 from the PTSA, which was received from 1<sup>st</sup> New York Federal Credit Union for meeting the credit union's goal of new student accounts, to be used by the Elementary School for their television station, mail delivery program, and the remaining cost of an iPad cart for the Science Lab and PLTW with thanks and appreciation.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey second by Melodye Eldeen to approve the following:

Accept a donation of \$3,831.33 from the Dockstader Charitable Trust to be used toward the purchase of equipment for Project Lead the Way with thanks and appreciation.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen second by Thomas Rumsey to approve the following:

Approve participation in a Cooperative Bid with Onondaga-Cortland-Madison (OCM) BOCES for the purchase of electricity.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

Attendance Policy #5100 was tabled for further discussion at the next Board meeting.

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey second by Melodye Eldeen to approve the following:

Following a 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, adopt Recruiting and Hiring Policy #9240 and Regulation #9240R.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey second by Dennis Schaperjahn to approve the following:

Approve Junior State of America (JSA) trip to the JSA Spring State Convention in Stamford, CT on Friday, April 24, 2015 – Sunday, April 26, 2015 at zero cost to the District.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Thomas Rumsey, second by Melodye Eldeen to move into executive session at 9:25 PM for CSE/CPSE Recommendations.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed. 5-Yes 0-No

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, second by Thomas Rumsey to approve CSE/CPSE recommendations for the following students: 3616, 5421, 5093, 3305, 6587, 3159, 4594, 3085, 3015, 3248, 4652, 3280, 6437, 6209, 3325, 3024, 3183, 5093, 3498, 3452, 5076, 6327, 3305.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion Passed 5 - Yes 0 - No

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Melodye Eldeen, second by Thomas Rumsey to adjourn at 10:05 PM.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion Passed 5 - Yes 0 - No

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Linda M. Casatelli*  
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District Clerk