



GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 16, 2017

6:30 PM - HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jay Anderson at 5:30 PM in the High School Library.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Jay Anderson, Michelle Bombard, Anita Crawford, Melodye Eldeen, Linda Jackowski, Dennis Schaperjahn, Joan Slagle

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK PRO TEM

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Anita Crawford to appoint Frank Ferraro as Clerk Pro Tem for this meeting.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Jay Anderson, Second Dennis Schaperjahn to go into Exec. Session at 5:30 PM to discuss CSEA negotiations.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

REGULAR SESSION

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Melodye Eldeen to return to Regular Session at 6:30 PM in the High School Library.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - was recited

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - were noted

PRESENTATIONS

A Sensory Room presentation took place which provided information on what a sensory room is and how it is beneficial to students. A sensory room is a specific room, with specific sensory equipment and activities, to benefit specific sensory processing difficulties. The room is tailored to a student's specific sensory needs. There is also certain equipment which can have therapeutic sensory system effects on most anyone. The reason for this is because it will become therapeutic depending on how, when, and why the equipment or activities are used. The point of a sensory room is to calm or stimulate an individual through each of the senses.

Mr. Ferraro the District's Business Administrator presented a draft 2017-18 Operational and General Support Budget; Debt Service and Employee Benefits Budget; Instructional & Special Education Budget to the Board of Education for discussion. The 2017-18 school budget is currently in the development stage. Further discussions will take place at upcoming board meetings. The public was encouraged to attend meetings to learn more about the budget. Budget information is available on the District's website and will be communicated to the public as the development process continues.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Shine stated that the District has two vacancies on the Board of Education. Each are four year terms of office that begin on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2021. These seats are currently held by Jay Anderson and Anita Crawford whose terms expire on June 30, 2017.

Jay Anderson announced that he will be running for another term of office on the Board of Education. Anita Crawford announced that she will not be seeking reelection.

Individuals seeking election to the Board of Education at their annual school election in May, 2017 must submit a petition to the District Clerk, Linda Casatelli, with a minimum of 25 signatures from district residents. These petitions are now available. Please contact the District Clerk for further information and to obtain a petition (518) 882-1033 Ext. 3224 or lcasatel@galwaycsd.org.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To qualify for membership on a school board, an individual: (Continued)

Must be able to read and write;

Must be a qualified voter of the district, that is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years or older; and not a convicted felon or adjudged an incompetent; (Note: a convicted felon is barred from running for a seat on the Board of Education if his/her maximum prison sentence has not expired or if he/she has not been pardoned or discharged from parole);

Must be and have been a resident of the district for at least one year, but need not be a taxpayer;

May not have been removed from any school district office within the preceding one year, or the preceding three years in the case of New York City community school board members removed for malfeasance or criminal conviction while serving as a member of a community school board;

May not reside with another member of the same school board as a member of the same family;

May not be a current employee of the school board;

May not simultaneously hold another incompatible public office.

PERSONNEL

Motion Anita Crawford, Second Dennis Schaperjahn

Approve the four year probationary appointment of Michael Miller to the position of Jr./Sr. High School Principal effective March 17, 2017 – March 16, 2021 at a salary of \$90,000/year pro-rated in the tenure area of School Administrator. Mr. Miller holds the following certifications:

School Building Leader Initial Certification Issued 11/25/14 Expires 01/31/2020

Social Studies 7-12 Permanent Certification Issued 09/01/04

In order to be eligible for tenure, individuals receiving a probationary appointment as an administrator must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of Highly Effective or Effective in at least three of the four preceding years. If the individual received a rating of Ineffective in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion Anita Crawford, Second Linda Jackowski

Approve the appointment of Dennis Schaperjahn as a Volunteer Track Coach effective March 6, 2017.

All voted Aye to approve the motion except for Dennis Schaperjahn who abstained from voting. Motion passed. 6-Yes 0-No 1-Abstained

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Dennis Schaperjahn to approve the following Consent Agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA		
CSE / CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS		
Approve CSE/CPSE recommendations as presented to the Board prior to the meeting.		
RESIGNATIONS / OTHER		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Herminia Vinatea	Asst. Food Service Helper	02/10/17
Mary Banks	Teacher Aide	02/08/17
Amy Roe	Teacher Aide	02/07/17

APPOINTMENTS			
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
John Bartow	Bus Driver	\$16.01/hour	02/13/17
Greg Alden	Volunteer Varsity Track Coach	-	03/06/17
Deborah Wilday	Modified Track Coach	Level D \$4,070/year	03/06/17
Pamela Wilday	Modified Softball Coach	Level A \$1,357/year	03/06/17

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion Joan Slagle, Second Linda Jackowski
 Adopt the 2017-18 School Calendar with a notation added that classes are not in session for students on Superintendent Conference Days.
 All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

2. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Melodye Eldeen
Accept donations in the amount of \$605.41 and \$94.59 for VEX Robotic Equipment from the Dockstader Charitable Trust with sincere thanks and appreciation.
All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

3. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Linda Jackowski
To table the recommendation of the Academic Stakeholders Committee to approve Physical Education in Grade 7-12 Grade Point Averages (GPA) with the following implementation dates until the next meeting as the Board requested additional information before making a decision.
2017-18 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th Grade
2018-19 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Grade
2019-20 All Grades
All voted Aye to table the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

4. A 1st Reading of Board of Education Policy #5420 and Regulation #5420R - Student Health Services took place.

5. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Melodye Eldeen
Approve a side letter of agreement between the School Alliance of Substitutes in Education (SASIE) and the Galway Central School District and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the agreement on behalf of the District.
All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Elaine Vandenburg, Teacher, read a thank you letter from the Galway Teachers Association thanking the Board and Superintendent for the transparent process used when selecting a new Jr./Sr. High School Principal.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Anita to adjourn at 7:23 PM.
All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Ferraro
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Clerk Pro Tem