



GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION
MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 6:00 PM in the High School Conference Room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Frank Ferraro, School Business Administrator (was appointed later in the meeting).

ANTICIPATED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Joan Slagle

Enter executive session at 6:00 PM for a specific personnel matter.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

REGULAR SESSION

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Dennis Schaperjahn

Return to regular session at 6:30 PM and move to the High School Library to conduct the remainder of the meeting.

ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA - Were noted

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS

Solar Project Update

A Solar Project Update was provided by representatives from Solar City and CSArch. At the January 21, 2016 Board of Education meeting, the Board listened to a presentation about the solar program, discussed the program, and approved the agreements with Solar City in connection with the District's K-Solar Program after several months of working on this project. Since then roadblocks have been encountered, mostly site related, where it was determined that it is not feasible to continue on with the project at the current location. The District is under no obligation and there is no cost impact to the District. The District tried to implement the project but it did not work at this time. There are other options of where the solar array could be placed but the Board needed more facts before considering those options. Further discussion will take place at the August 27th Board retreat. Superintendent Shine will be providing information to the community with details of what occurred with the solar project in the September newsletter and information will be posted on our website.

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS (Continued)

Saratoga County Fair Art Competition

The District’s display of student art projects from the Elementary and Jr./Sr. High School earned Second Place this year at the 2016 Saratoga County Fair. Ballston Spa came in a close First and South Glens Falls came in Third. A trophy and ribbon will be displayed in the school and the prize of a television and DVD player will be used to benefit the students.

The following students were recognized and received individual awards for their artwork and projects on display: Danny Armitage, Collette McCleneghen, Noah Pecor, Kendra Peterson, Natalie Zembsch, Siela Zembsch, Sylvia Colangelo and Victoria Acquaviva. Each student was issued a check from the fair which was mailed to them along with a personalized letter from their Building Principal congratulating them on a job well done.

Thank you to our Art Fair Advisors Karen Moffatt and Deborah Neahr for collecting and setting up a beautiful display of our students’ work once again this year and to Janet VanRijsewijk, Jeannine Flinton and all those who volunteered their time to help. Thank you to our Board President Jay Anderson who was present to accept awards on behalf of the District and those that attended in support of our students. A representative from the fair said that Galway went all out this year and that our display was the largest and most beautifully displayed with a theme of red, white and blue which really complimented our students’ work.

The District will ensure that our students and those involved receive the recognition they deserve by posting information on our website, through Building Principal communications and publishing an article in the next District Newsletter.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM

The Board reviewed a draft of 2016-2020 District Goals which will be approved at the next board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Anita Crawford to approve the following:

CONSENT AGENDA	
FINANCIAL REPORTS / BOARD MEETING MINUTES	
June, 2016	District Treasurer’s Report

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CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

APPOINTMENT REVISIONS			
(Note: Rate of Pay adjustments will be made upon ratification of a new GTA Contract.)			
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Karen Moffatt	Revise Summer Art Fair Advisor appointment from up to four hours to seven hours to reflect actual time worked.	\$29/hour	2016-17 School Year
Deborah Neahr	Revise Summer Art Fair Advisor appointment from up to four hours to seven hours to reflect actual time worked.	\$29/hour	2016-17 School Year

APPOINTMENTS			
(Note: Pay adjustments will be made where necessary upon ratification of a new GTA Contract.)			
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Mark Kalinkewicz	Modified 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	Level D \$4,500/year	11/07/16
Scott Smith	JV Boys Basketball Coach	Level A2 \$2,700/year	11/07/16
Deborah Wilday	Varsity Girls Basketball Coach	Level D \$6,300/year	11/07/16
Phillip Meashaw	JV Girls Basketball Coach	Level C15 \$4,500/year	11/07/16
Stuart Wilday	Modified Girls 8th Grade Basketball Coach	Level D \$4,500/year	11/07/16
Christopher Kirvin	Modified Girls 7th Grade Basketball Coach	Level B9 \$2,700/year	11/07/16
Karen Moffatt	Varsity Cheerleading Coach	Level C6 \$5,400/year	11/07/16
Meghan Signor	JV Cheerleading Coach	Level A5 \$2,700/year	11/07/16
Richard Poplowski	Varsity Wrestling Coach	Level C4 \$5,400/year	11/07/16
Bradley Gregg	JV Wrestling Coach	Level A2 \$2,700/year	11/07/16

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CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

APPOINTMENTS			
(Note: Pay adjustments will be made where necessary upon ratification of a new GTA Contract.)			
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
John Gochenour	Modified Wrestling	Level A2 \$1,800/year	11/07/16
Stephanie Doyle	Modified Girls Soccer Coach	Level A1 \$1,260/year	08/15/16
Kim Smith	Teacher Aide	\$9.00/hour	09/08/16
Lynn Wasserman	Art Department Head	\$2,452/year	2016-17 School Year
Melissa Bramer	Nurse - 10 months + 20 Days/Year Level IAA	\$18.25/hour	08/29/16
RESIGNATION			
Eric Fana	Technology Teacher	-	08/31/16
Phillip Peugh	Bus Driver	-	09/01/16

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO
 (End of Consent Agenda)

PERSONNEL

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Melodye Eldeen

Approve an Employment Agreement between the Galway Central School District and Frank Ferraro, School Business Administrator at a salary of \$94,000/year pro-rated effective August 5, 2016 for the 2016-17 school year and authorize the President of the Board of Education to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

Motion Linda Jackowski Second Michelle Bombard

Appoint Frank Ferraro, School Business Administrator as the District's Purchasing Agent effective August 5, 2016 for the 2016-17 School Year.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Melodye Eldeen

Rescind the appointment of Wendy Morris as Interim School Business Official at the conclusion of the annual school district audit on August 13, 2016 at the same rate of \$575 per day for days worked.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

PERSONNEL (Continued)**Motion Melodye Eldeen Second Anita Crawford**

Approve the four year probationary appointment of Cayla Gaworecki as a Math Teacher effective September 1, 2016 – August 31, 2020 in the tenure area of Mathematics at Step M5 of the GTA Salary Schedule. Cayla has permanent Math 7-12 Certification.

In order to be eligible for tenure, individuals receiving a probationary appointment as a classroom teacher 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. The regulations do not require that a teacher have Professional Certification at the time of tenure but the District may make it a requirement.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Linda Jackowski

Approve the four year probationary appointment of Nicole Funk as a K-6 Special Education Teacher effective September 1, 2016 – August 31, 2020 in the tenure area of Education of Children with Handicapping Conditions-General Special Education at Step M2 of the GTA Salary Schedule. Nicole has Professional Certification in Students With Disabilities (Birth-Grade 2), Students With Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Literacy (Birth-Grade 6), Childhood Education (Grades 1-6).

In order to be eligible for tenure, individuals receiving a probationary appointment as a classroom teacher 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. The regulations do not require that a teacher have Professional Certification at the time of tenure but the District may make it a requirement.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

NEW BUSINESS**Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Linda Jackowski**

Add the following to the list that was approved at the last Board meeting of authorized personnel to use a Galway School Credit Card. (Board Policy #6860 requires that this list be reported to the Board each year.)

Jeannine Flinton	Geoffrey Maliszewski	Christine DeCristofaro	Tracy Smith
George Simkins	Glenn Vaillancourt	William Clark	Frank Ferraro

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

Motion Linda Jackowski Second Dennis Schaperjahn

Authorize the Treasurer of the Galway Central School District to increase the General Fund budget by \$78,443 for salary and benefits (\$47,916 salary, \$30,527 benefits) to fund the Social Studies position that was eliminated from the 2016-17 budget. The increase will be funded from the Unreserved Fund Balance.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn Second Anita Crawford

Approve the Galway Central School District's 2016-17 Organizational Chart.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Frank Ferraro was welcomed as the District's new School Business Administrator. Michelle Bombard stated that she is looking forward to the upcoming business retreat and getting plans underway for the upcoming school year. Jay Anderson is still seeking topics for this year's Saratoga County School Board Meetings. Joan Slagle asked for a year-end budget analysis report and monthly financial reports as it is the Board's responsibility to review them. Anita Crawford stated that kids would love to see a gaga pit installed on school grounds as they seem to love the sport. She also asked for an update on the hiring of a new Social Studies teacher along with a schedule of what each new teacher is teaching next year. She also asked that the District's website be kept current with recent personnel changes and for information on when parents will be receiving student schedules for those that had to be revised due to the hiring of a new social studies teacher. A brief update on the hiring of a Dean of Students/Athletic Director replacing Mr. LaBarre took place along with the need for the position. Joan Slagle asked that the district keep in mind taxpayers when filling positions as student enrollments are declining.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Anita Crawford Second Joan Slagle

To adjourn at 8:20 PM.

All voted aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 7 YES 0 NO

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Casatelli

District Clerk