

MISSION STATEMENT

The Galway Central School Community believes that all students can succeed in learning. Our school's purpose is to educate all students to their highest level of academic performance while fostering positive growth in social/emotional behavior and attitudes. We accept the responsibility to provide the proper atmosphere and opportunity so that each student can attain his or her maximum potential.



GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION
MINUTES

Thursday, September 8, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dennis Schaperjahn

OTHERS PRESENT

Shannon Shine, Superintendent of Schools; Elaine Vandenburg, Teacher; one community member.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – Were noted.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Linda Jackowski, second by Melodye Eldeen to approve the following:

CONSENT AGENDA	
FINANCIAL REPORTS / BOARD MEETING MINUTES	
August 25 and 27, 2016	Board Meeting Minutes

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

OTHER			
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Ronald Hosford Kim Smith Mary Banks	Revise effective date as Level II Teacher Aides to 09/06/16 - their actual first day of employment	\$9.00/hour	09/06/16
Kelly Torell	Rescind Teacher Aide Appointment	-	09/01/16
APPOINTMENTS			
(Pay adjustments will be made where necessary upon ratification of a new GTA Contract.)			
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Tina Piotrowski	Level II Teacher Aide	\$9.00/hour	09/06/16
Corbin Holt	Level II Teacher Aide	\$9.00/hour	09/06/16
Charlene Milsapp	Level II Teacher Aide	\$9.00/hour	09/26/16
Neil LaMare	Volunteer Volleyball Assistant	-	09/09/16
Kristopher Toscano	Volunteer Mod./Varsity Soccer Assistant	-	09/09/16
Chris Kirvin	1st Year Mentor (Toscano)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Lynn Prehn	1st Year Mentor (Gandhi) 1st Year Mentor (Gaworecki)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Joanne Donnan	1st Year Mentor (Clifford) 1st Year Mentor (Jacaruso) 2nd Year Mentor (Sitts)	\$29/hour	09/01/16

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

APPOINTMENTS (Pay adjustments will be made where necessary upon ratification of a new GTA Contract.)			
NAME	TITLE	RAT E OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Beth DeLuca	2nd Year Mentor (Lewis)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Katie DiBlasi	2nd Year Mentor (Hogan)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Paul Levin	2nd Year Mentor (Tripp)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Melanie McDonald	2nd Year Mentor (Yetto-O'Brien)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Kristin Ostrander	2nd Year Mentor (Leonardo)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Marcie Page	2nd Year Mentor (Funk)	\$29/hour	09/01/16
Jennifer Suydam	2nd Year Mentor (Carlson)	\$29/hour	09/01/16

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

PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Linda Jackowski, second by Michelle Bombard to approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District hereby approves the changes set forth in the Addendum to the Employment Agreement of Superintendent Shannon C. Shine dated September 8, 2016 and authorizes the Board President to execute the addendum to the contract.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion took place on the procedure for tenure where they want to receive information on non tenured teachers throughout their probationary period so they are better prepared when making tenure decisions. Linda Jackowski is going to work on establishing a committee along with Anita Crawford and report back to the board for further review and discussion.

Jay Anderson requested that a Communications category be added to each Board meeting agenda in the future. The talked about the School Calendar and the need to keep the on-line version up to date as so many people rely on it. Suggestions were made regarding opening day student transportation and methods in which parents and students could be more informed.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

They talked about KK students entering school for the first time to see if we could improve in any areas. They very much stressed the importance of getting information to parents and students much sooner so they can plan accordingly. They also spoke about reducing the amount of paper used and utilizing online methods instead. The Board was extremely pleased with the Open House and seeing teachers there for the students. They congratulated Mr. Healey and Mrs. McDougall, Building Principals, on a job well done preparing for opening day of school and Brita Donovan for all she does.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Anita Crawford appreciated that everything ran smoothly on opening day and the teamwork involved in making that happen.
- Joan Slagle attended a recent Lions Club meeting and found it a pleasure seeing former students doing their own thing.
- Melodye Eldeen expressed congratulations on a great start of the school year and commented that it will be a great upcoming school year.
- Jay Anderson stated that it made him feel good to see the opening day excitement.
- Linda Jackowski stated that Transportation did a good job on opening day along with those that helped students get to their classroom.
- Michelle Bombard thanked administration and everyone involved in opening day and looks forward to a successful school year.

The entire Board expressed thanks and appreciation to everyone involved in opening day. They stated that the Buildings and Grounds look great and thanked Mr. Sherman and the Operations and Maintenance Staff for their efforts.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Elaine Vandenburg, teacher, stated that not everyone owns a computer or knows how to use one and although it is nice to decrease the use of paper, some need information provided in paper and to please keep that in mind.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Linda Jackowski, second by Michelle Bombard to adjourn at 7:20 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