

# GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 22, 2020 Audit Committee 5:30 PM Executive Session 6:00 PM Regular Session 6:30 PM

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Meeting was called to order by Board President, Linda Jackowski, at 6:30 PM in the High School Library.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Joan Slagle To enter Executive Session at 6:00 PM for Specific Personnel Matters. All voted Aye to approve the Motion. Motion Passed 6-Yes 0-No

## REGULAR SESSION

Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Linda Dennis Schaperjahn To return to regular session at 6:30 PM in the High School Library All voted aye to approve the Motion. Motion approved 6-Yes 0-No

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – was recited.

ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA – were noted

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS — none

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT** – Dennis Schaperjahn, Karen English, Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Michelle Bombard, Joan Slagle, Linda Jackowski and Jay Anderson

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT** - None

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Brita Donovan, Superintendent of Schools; Michael Miller, Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Michael McDougall, Elementary School Principal and Jennifer Hall, Director of Pupil Services; Employees and Community Members.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

The District's independent external auditor, Mr. Michael Rossi from West & Company LLP, recently concluded the audit of the fiscal affairs of the Galway Central School District for the period July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020 and reported his findings to the Board of Education and those present. The firm audited the records of the Business Office and Extra Classroom Activity Accounts, tested financial data, and analyzed the financial condition of the district. Mr. Rossi further reported that the District is in a good financial state.

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#### **PERSONNEL**

# 1. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Stacey Caruso-Sharpe

Approve a recommendation to award tenure to Nicole Best effective November 27, 2020 in the tenure area of Special Education.

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

## 2. Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Dennis Schaperjahn

Approve the appointment of Amy David, Art Teacher, from her current position as .5 Art to her new position as .5 Art and .5 Enrichment, effective September 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, at a rate of pay pursuant to the GTA Contract.

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

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Michelle Bombard to accept the following Consent Agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA	
FINANCIAL REPORTS/BOARD MEETING MINUTES	
Board Meeting Minutes	
District Treasurer's Report	
Student Activity Report	
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September 2020	Student Activity Report	dent Activity Report			
	CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIO	NS			
Approve CSE/CPSE	Recommendations as presented to the E	Board prior to the m	eeting for the		
	following students: 6001 and 60	-			
	RESIGNATIONS/OTHER				
	APPOINTMENTS				
NAME	DESCRIPTION	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE		
Marissa Guisti	Interim Internal Claims Auditor	\$26.27/per	10/13/2020		
Sarah Van Rijsewijk	Teacher Aide	Minimum Wage	10/6/2020		
Laura Pierce	Substitute Cleaner	\$12.47/per hour	10/19/2020		
Katey Hurley	Odyssey of the Mind Coordinator	\$405.00/year	10/21/2020		
Rescind the appointneffective 10/8/2020.	nent of Linda Dumblewski from her posit	ion of Internal Clain	ns Auditor		
Approve the date cha Meeting shall be held	nge to the Board of Education meeting s on April 15, 2021.	cheduled for April 2	22, 2021. The		

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

# **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Dennis Schaperjahn

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR  FOR 2021-2022 SCHOOL BUDGET  GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT				
DATE		DESCRIPTION		
PHASE I October 22	2020	Board Meeting -2021-22 Budget Development Calendar to the Board for adoption		

November 9-20	2020	Meet with Administrators/Supervisors and distribute Budget Guidelines		
December 17	2020	Board Meeting – Districts Financial Condition Discuss and Develop Budget Goals		
PHASE II January 7	2021	Board Work Session – Review Budget Goals		
January 15 (est.)	2021	Governor's Budget Proposal for State Aid Distribution made available to School Districts		
January 21	2021	Board Meeting – Presentation of Long-Range Financial Plan (Update) Preliminary Budget (Tentative)		
PHASE III February 25	2021	Board Meeting – Presentation of Tentative 2021-22 Budget		
March 1	2021	Submit 2021-22 Calculation for Tax Levy Limit to the Office of the Comptroller, Tax & Finance an State Education Department (SED)		
March 11	2021	Board Work Session – Review of <u>Tentative</u> 2021-22 Budget		
March 25	2021	Board of Education Meeting – Presentation of Revised Tentative 2021-22 Budget		
April 1	2021	Publication of 1st Legal Notice of School Budget Hearing and Budget Vote. (published again on April 16,23, 30)		
PHASE IV April 15	2021	Special Board of Education Meeting - ADOPT 2021-22 BUDGET & PROPOSITIONS; Approve Property Tax Report Card		
April 19	2021	Deadline for Submission of Voter Petitions for Propositions to be Placed on Ballot (30 days preceding budget vote)		
April 19	2021	School Board Candidate Nominating Petitions due in District Clerk's Office by 5:00 PM (30 day preceding budget vote)		
April 20	2021	Date of Drawing by District Clerk for Determination of Order for Listing Board Candidates or Election Ballot. 9:00 AM – District Office Conference Room		
April 23	2021	Submit Property Tax Report Card to SED and Local Newspapers (no later than April 24th)		
April 26	2021	Budget Newsletter prepared and sent to the printing company		

April 29	2021	Budget Statement and required attachments made available 7 days prior to budget hearing		
May 4	2021	Voter Registration Day		
PHASE V May 6	2021	Board Meeting and PUBLIC HEARING on <u>Proposed</u> 2021-22 Budget		
May 7	2021	Budget Notice and newsletter mailed to eligible voters after the budget hearing, but no later than six days prior to the vote		
May 18	2021	ANNUAL MEETING: Date of voting by eligible residents on 2021-22 Budget; Propositions; Members of the Board of Education		
May 18	2021	Board of Education Meeting - Board accepts election results after polls close and results are announced		
PHASE VI June 15	2021	Statewide Budget Revote Day		
June 16	2021	Adopted 2021-22 Budget Finalized and Implemented		

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

## 2. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Stacey Caruso-Sharpe

Accept the District's Independent Auditor's Report of 2019-20 school year financial records indicating compliance with State of New York procedures and regulations. It will be filed with the Office of the Comptroller of NYS and the State Education Department, as required by law. The general public will be informed and a copy will be available for a period of 30 days in the Office of the District Clerk daily during working hours.

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

# 3. Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Dennis Schaperjahn

Accept a donation from Karen Moffatt in the amount of \$100.00 to be used for school supplies with sincere thanks and appreciation.

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

## 4. Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Michelle Bombard

Approve a Resolution pursuant to §3636 of the NYS Education Law pertaining to the passage of school buses across railroad crossings.

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

## 5. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Karen English

Approve a Resolution authorizing the Galway Central School District to enter into an Equipment Lease Agreement with the WSWHE Boces.

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

#### 6. Motion Dennis Schaperjahn, Second Michelle Bombard

To authorize Board of Education President Linda Jackowski to sign the Related Service Agreement between Galway Central School, Christine Bornt and Christine Riccio.

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

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

• Finance Committee met and discussed the budget process and the school's financial status. They will continue to monitor the financial status as we move forward and await communication from the Governor's Office.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

• Vickie Weaver and Janet Van Rijsewijk thanked the Board for all they do for the school.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

The Board thanked the Superintendent, Administrators, staff and the IT Department for all
of their hard work and dedication.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM

Respectfully submitted, *Linda M. Dumblewski* Linda M. Dumblewski District Clerk

# GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

5317 Sacandaga Road, Galway, NY 12074

#### **Board of Education**

#### Resolution for Equipment Lease Agreement

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Galway Central School District desires to enter into an equipment lease with the Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex BOCES,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Galway Central School District authorizes the Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex BOCES to enter into an equipment lease with Galway Central School District for 3 years in a base amount not to exceed \$86,877.00 with three payments of \$28,959.00 (Disposition is \$1 buyout) with the following items being leased: 6 Promethean Active Panels, 6 Promethean Signage, 100 Chromebooks and google management, 100 Lenovo Chromebooks and google management and warranty. These payments are based on an interest rate of 0.326% (the "Assumed Interest rate"). The Board of Education of the Galway Central School District delegates to the Clerk of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services the authority to approve an increase in the Assumed Interest Rate, if up to 2%, with the resultant payments being the maximum amount to be paid for said Lease. It is agreed by the Board of Education of Galway Central School District that the Clerk of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services shall not approve any interest rate that exceeds the Assumed Interest Rate by more than 2.00%.

Yes 6

No 0

Abstain 0

Result PASSED

The above resolution adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2020, upon the motion of Dennis Schaperjahn and seconded by Karen English.

nda Dumblewski, District Clerk

(District Seal)

# Galway Central School District

#### **Board of Education**

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to §3636 of the NYS Education Law

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that no school bus transporting pupils between home and school or between schools which such pupils regularly attend either within or outside the district which operates or contracts for the operation of such bus, or transporting pupils for any purpose within such district, shall cross railroad tracks at grade except at a guarded railroad crossing, unless the governing body of the school district which operates the bus or contracts for the operation of the bus shall have adopted, at a regular meeting after a public hearing thereon, a resolution by which it shall have determined that the use of a route which would avoid an unguarded railroad crossing by the school bus would be impracticable.

Yes	6	No	0	Abstain	0	Result PASSED
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The above resolution adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2020 upon the motion of Stacey Caruso-Sharpe and seconded by Michelle Bombard.

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District Clerk

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