



GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
**MINUTES**

Thursday, November 21, 2019  
Executive Session 5:45 PM  
Regular Session 6:30 PM

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Meeting was called to order by Board of Education Vice President, Jay Anderson, in the absence of Board President Dennis Schaperjahn at 6:30 PM in the High School Library.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion Linda Jackowski, Second Stacey Caruso-Sharpe  
To enter Executive Session at 5:45 PM for Specific Personnel Matters.  
All voted Aye to approve the Motion. Motion Passed 5-Yes 0-No

**REGULAR SESSION**

Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Michelle Bombard  
To return to regular session at 6:30 PM in the High School Library  
All voted aye to approve the Motion. Motion approved 5-Yes 0-No

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – was recited.

**ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA** – were noted

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS** - none

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT** – Karen English, Linda Jackowski, Michelle Bombard, Stacey-Caruso Sharpe, Jay Anderson

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT** - Dennis Schaperjahn, Joan Slagle

## OTHERS PRESENT

Brita Donovan, Superintendent of Schools; Mike Miller, Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Jennifer Hall, Director of Pupil Services; Elise Britt, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director; Employees and Community Members.

**PRESENTATIONS** – Lynn Prehn, Math Department Chairperson provided the Board with some information on the addition of math labs and also discussed the lending program which is offered to the students with regard to IT-84 calculators.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Superintendent Donovan reported on the 2020 Legislative Priorities which included, among other things, increasing the funding threshold by \$30,000 on BOCES Aid for Career and Technical Education and Efforts to Prevent the Use of E-Cigarettes, including Vaping. A resolution will be presented to the Board at the December 12, 2019 meeting for their approval.

**PERSONNEL** - None

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Karen English to accept the following Consent Agenda:

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>			
<b>FINANCIAL REPORTS/BOARD MEETING MINUTES</b>			
October 24, 2019	Board Meeting Minutes		
October 2019	District Treasurer's Report		
October 2019	Student Activity Report		
<b>CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS</b>			
Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as presented to the Board prior to the meeting for the following students: 7325; 7331; 7206; 6703; 6788; 6698; 7403; 6068; 6688; 7151; 7399; 6032; 7396; 1651; 6001.			
<b>RESIGNATIONS/OTHER</b>			
Accept the Resignation of Christin Sickels from her Special Education teacher position effective November 28, 2019.			
Accept the Resignation of Gail Roscioli from her Cleaner position effective November 15, 2019.			
<b>APPOINTMENTS</b>			
NAME	DESCRIPTION	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE
Jennifer VanStrander	Long Term Substitute – 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher – 11/25/19 -1/6/20	Per Contract	11/25/19
Amanda Colonell	Long Term Substitute – Kindergarten Teacher - 1/6/20 – 2/24/20	Per Contract	1/6/20



Dan Anderson	Volunteer Coach	-	11/18/19
Jared Linck	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab	\$42/per hour	10/1/19
Alaina Foust	Tutor	\$35/per hour	10/1/19
Staci Clark	Long Term Substitute FACS teacher position extended to include November 12, 2019 and November 13, 2019.	Per contract	11/12/19 – 11/13/19
Stephen Culbert	JV Wrestling Coach – Step A1	\$2,782	11/12/19
Michael Glenn	Varsity Boys Basketball Coach – Step A5	\$3,746	11/12/19
Kristopher Toscano	JV Boys Basketball Coach – Step A2	\$2,782	11/12/19
Mark Kalinkewicz	Modified Boys Basketball Coach – Step D	\$4,591	11/12/19
Shaun Evans	Modified Boys Basketball Coach – Step A3	\$1,836	11/12/19
Phil Meashaw	Varsity Girls Basketball Coach – Step D	\$6,556	11/12/19
Christopher Kirvin	Modified Girls Basketball – Step C2	\$3,673	11/12/19
James Wright	Modified Wrestling – Step A2	\$1,836	11/12/19
Christin Sickles	Varsity Cheerleading – Step A2	\$3,746	11/12/19
Alaina Foust	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab	\$42/per hour	11/12/19
Katrina Barr	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab	\$42/per hour	11/12/19
Lauren Darlington	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab	\$42/per hour	11/12/19
Kristyn Akin	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab	\$42/per hour	11/12/19
Jennifer VanStrander	After School ELA/Math and Homework Lab	\$42/per hour	11/12/19

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Karen English**

Approve the Resolution to adopt the Alternative Veterans Assessment Exemption.

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

### **2. Motion Linda Jackowski, Second Stacey Caruso-Sharpe**

Accept a donation of \$250.00 for the hit-away for the baseball program from Barry Friedman with thanks and appreciation.

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

### **3. Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Linda Jackowski**

Approve the Separation Agreement dated November 7, 2019, resolving a personnel issue which arose between the District and an employee, which will be discussed in executive session.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District hereby approves the Separation Agreement dated November 7, 2019, involving the employee discussed in Executive Session, and authorizes the Superintendent to execute the Agreement.

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

**4. Motion Stacey Caruso-Sharpe, Second Linda Jackowski**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby accepts the resignation of Christine DeCristofaro, effective June 30, 2020.

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

**5. Motion Linda Jackowski, Second Michelle Bombard**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement between CSEA of the Galway CSD and Galway Central School District and authorizes the Superintendent to execute the Agreement.

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

**6. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the following Board of Education Policies and Regulations:**

8130	School Safety Plans and Teams
8134	Emergency Closings
8220	Buildings and Grounds Maintenance and Inspection
8330	Authorized Use of School-Owned Materials and Equipment
8332	Cell Phones
8334	Use of District Credit Cards
8334-R	Use of District Credit Cards Regulation
8800	Energy Management

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Facilities Committee reported on the baseball field. There were issues with the infield which were subcontracted to be fixed and at this time it is not completed but is expected to be ready for spring. The outfield also needs some work and is expected to also be ready for Spring. Other areas were discussed including the drain culvert by the cemetery and the trees by the track. The Elementary School has an issue with the sewer pipes and this will be taken care of over Christmas break. Also discussed was the gym floor and bleachers.
- Policy Committee nothing to report.
- Safety Committee reported on the building use after hours.
- CSEA Negotiations Committee met to discuss the rules and regulations of the operation of the negotiations.
- Academic Stakeholders Committee discussed the Gen Ed Standards and updates to the State ED Law regarding cyber security and protecting the data of the school. Discussion was also held regarding the late start time for students.

- Finance Committee will be starting the budget process and will have some preliminary figures in the upcoming meetings.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

- Vickie Weaver thanked the Board for passing the resolution for the 19A bus driver trainer position.
- On behalf of all the veterans present at the meeting the Board was thanked for passing the resolution for the Alternative Veterans Assessment Exemption.
- Mr. McPhearson asked the Board to consider looking into geothermal heat for the school.

### BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Thank you to the PTSA for all their ongoing efforts with the book fair and events.
- Congratulations to the Volleyball team. Good luck at States.
- Happy Thanksgiving to all.

### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Linda M. Dumblewski*

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District Clerk



# Galway Central School District

5317 Sacandaga Road, Galway, New York 12074

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### **Resolution to Adopt Plan of Alternative Property Assessment Exemptions for Eligible Veterans of U.S. Military Service**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a, the Board of Education of the Galway Central School District desires to offer an school tax exemption on the primary residence of eligible veterans residing within the school district; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this matter on October 24, 2019; and

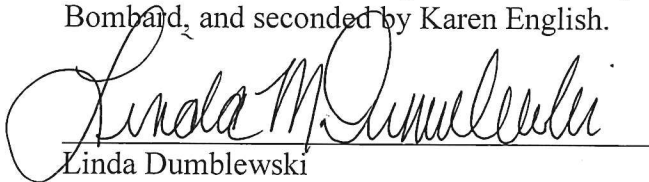
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a, the Board of Education hereby adopts the Alternative Veterans Exemption, permitting exemptions of 15%, an additional 10%, and 50% of the veteran's disability rating as determined by the Veterans Administration or Department of Defense, for wartime veterans, combat veterans and veterans who sustained a service-related disability, respectively, pursuant to the following maximum exemption amounts.

Wartime	\$6,000
Combat	\$10,000
Disability	\$20,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this local law shall be available to eligible veterans for the 2020-21 school tax year and shall continue until rescinded or amended by resolution of the Board of Education.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstain 0 Result PASSED

The above resolution adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2019 upon the motion of Michelle Bombard, and seconded by Karen English.

  
Linda Dumblewski  
District Clerk

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