



Minutes of the Medina Central School District
Board of Education Work Session Meeting
March 20, 2018

A Work Session Meeting of the Board of Education of the Medina Central School District of the towns of Ridgeway, Shelby, Barre and Albion, Orleans County, Hartland, Niagara County and Alabama, Genesee County, New York was held on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office in said district. The Board meeting was called to order by Board Vice President, Dr. Ann Bunch with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Mrs. Ann Bunch
Mr. William Keppler – arrived at 6:35 p.m.
Mr. Brian Koch
Mrs. Brenda Lindsay
Mrs. Renee Paser-Paull
Mrs. Arlene Pawlaczyk
Mrs. Wendi Pencille – arrived at 6:54 p.m.

Members Absent: Mrs. Lori Draper
Mr. David Sevenski

Also Present: Mr. Mark B. Kruzynski, Superintendent

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

TONIGHT'S AGENDA APPROVAL

On a motion by Brian Koch, seconded by Arlene Pawlaczyk and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda. Yes-5, No-0; Absent-4 Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board's Committee Reports

Audit/Finance Committee – Mrs. Lindsay reported that the committee is on track to carry over the full 4% fund balance; 6.5 FTE teaching positions are out; summer curriculum writing is out. The committee's desire is to keep the tax levy flat at this point; elementary summer school will be added back in.

Board Member William Keppler arrived at 6:35 p.m.

Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Kruzynski reported that he is expecting approval of the construction project plans by March 23rd. If that happens, he told the Board that he will need an additional meeting or 2 to approve the projects and materials quickly so they can get ordered and work can begin.

Policy Committee Report – Mrs. Pawlaczyk reported that they met and are up to reviewing the 7000s – they have a meeting scheduled for April 11th at 6:30 p.m.

WORK SESSION ITEMS FOR CONSENT AGENDA ON TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018

A. EDUCATIONAL ITEMS

1. Special Education - CSE/CPSE Recommendations
2. Summer Music Festival

3. Intermunicipal Agreement with Lyndonville CSD for Girls Soccer

B. PERSONNEL ITEMS

1. Retirements
 - a. Jeffrey Annable
 - b. Elaine Modlo
2. Appointment – Bryan Hodgins, School Bus Driver
3. Resignations
 - a. Julie Kuhn, Clerk
 - b. Brian Breunig, Floater
4. Unpaid Child Rearing Leave Requests
 - a. Alexandra DiLaura
 - b. Jennifer O’Toole
5. Volunteer Coach Appointments
6. Unpaid Maternity Leave Request – Molly Nichols
7. Addition to the District’s Tutoring List – Sara Kyle
8. Addition to the Substitute Teaching List

C. BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL ITEMS

1. Financial Reports – January 2018
2. Transportation Request to a Non-Public School

D. BOARD ITEMS

1. Approve Board Minutes from the Work Session on 2/20/18 and the Regular Meeting on 2/27/18

FORMAL AGENDA – ACTION ITEM

Annual Legal Notice for Budget Vote and Board Election

Renee Paser-Paull moved, seconded by Arlene Pawlaczyk that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the legal notice for the 2018 Annual Meeting, Budget Vote, and Board of Education election, as follows:

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting and Public Hearing of the Inhabitants of Medina Central School District of the towns of Ridgeway, Shelby, Barre and Albion, Orleans County, Hartland, Niagara County, and Alabama, Genesee County, New York, qualified to vote at school meetings in said district, will be held in the District Office Board Room located at One Mustang Drive, Medina, NY 14103 in said district on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at 6:30 P.M. eastern daylight savings time, for the transaction of such business as is authorized by the Education Law.

And notice is also given that election of members of the Board of Education, voting upon the appropriation of necessary funds to meet necessary expenditures for the school year from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and the levy of the tax necessary to meet these expenditures, and that voting upon the following propositions shall take place in the District Office Board Room located at One Mustang Drive, Medina, NY 14103 in said district on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, between the hours of 12:00 Noon, eastern daylight savings time, and 8:00 P.M. eastern daylight savings time, and as much longer as may be necessary for the voters then present to cast their ballots:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

Budget

Shall the Board of Education of Medina Central School District of the towns of Ridgeway, Shelby, Barre and Albion, Orleans County, Hartland, Niagara County, and Alabama, Genesee County, New York, be authorized to make the expenditures of the monies set forth in the proposed budget submitted to the Annual Meeting on May 8, 2018, and levy the necessary tax therefor?

PROPOSITION NO. 2

Student Ex-Officio Non-Voting Member

Shall the Board of Education of the Medina Central School District, in the County of Orleans, New York (the “District”), allow to have a high school senior serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of the school board?

And notice is also given that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, including public monies, may be obtained by any taxpayer in the district during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting, except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, at each of the following school houses in which school is maintained during the hours designated:

Medina High School - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Clifford H. Wise Intermediate/Middle School - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Oak Orchard Elementary School - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Board of Education Office - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to Section 2018 of the Education Law, petitions for nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk in the District Office of the Medina Central School District, One Mustang Drive, Medina, New York between the hours of 8 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m., Prevailing Time, during any business day beginning February 5, 2018, but not later than 5 o'clock p.m. on April 16, 2018. The following vacancy is to be filled on the Board of Education as follows: **one (1) seat for a term of three years.**

The Names of the Last Incumbents are as follows:

Dr. Ann Bunch – expires June 30, 2018
Mr. Brian Koch – expires June 30, 2018
Mrs. Renee Paser-Paull – expires June 30, 2018

Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the district and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the District Office, One Mustang Drive, Medina, New York. If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the completed application must be received by the Clerk of the District at least seven days before the day of the vote. If the ballot is to be issued personally to the voter, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk at least one day before the day of the vote. No absentee ballot shall be canvassed, unless it shall have been received in the office of the District Clerk no later than 5 o'clock p.m. (Prevailing Time) on the day of the election.

Dated: March 20, 2018 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEDINA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Janice Jovanelly
District Clerk

Publish: March 29, 2018
April 6, 2018
April 20, 2018
May 4, 2018

Yes-6, No-0; Absent-3 Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were three comments made during Public Forum:

Mary Biesinger is a homeschool parent and asked about the possibility of her children participating in non-athletic extracurricular activities – clubs, the play (to which Superintendent Kruzynski replied that she would have to check with Lyndonville about that possibility).

Cynthia Kiebala spoke on the importance of supporting the vocal music program

Board Member Wendi Pencille arrived at 6:54 p.m.

Stephanie Hargrave, a Lyndonville resident, expressed some concerns many parents there are having with the current mergers. They were told by their Board President, Theodore Lewis, to come to a Medina board meeting for answers. Our Board was able to answer and also offered some suggestions of other ways the districts might merge resources besides sports, band, drama club and the play. Stephanie invited everyone present to come to the next Lyndonville Board Meeting on April 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD GOALS

- Land Lab for Agriculture Purposes – the Board will be touring the land with the date to be determined
- Pet Therapy – Renee will call the Niagara County SPCA to see if they have any contacts and Arlene will do the same in Orleans County. Wendi said they have to be CGC or TDI insured to be able to come into the schools.

ROUND TABLE

Mrs. Paser-Paull – sent an email to the Randolph CSD Superintendent regarding Restorative Justice but has yet to hear back from him.

Mr. Keppler – 42,000 people have died in the past year from a drug overdose. It's a big obstacle and we're doing something wrong as a society. Could the district have a big brother/sister program where upper classmen take on a lower grade student to just talk, shoot hoops, or whatever?

Mrs. Pawlaczyk – agreed that the district needs a program where students can buddy up. Could it be a part of the upper classes community service?

Mrs. Lindsay – we need to take a closer look at the opioid epidemic.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Wendi Pencille moved, seconded by Arlene Pawlaczyk that the Board move into Executive Session at 7:33 P.M. to discuss contract negotiations (Transportation Association and District Treasurer) pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law; and to discuss matters related to several employee discipline issues. Yes-7, No-0; Absent-2 Motion carried.

COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Brian Koch moved, seconded by Renee Paser-Paull that the Board come out of Executive Session at 8:33 P.M. Yes-7, No-0; Absent-2 Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Koch moved, seconded by Renee Paser-Paull that the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:35 P.M. Yes-7, No-0; Absent-2 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Jovanelly, District Clerk