

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
OCTOBER 21, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Michael Byrnes, Mr. Michael Breeden, Mr. Colin Campbell, Mr. Jack Cuddihy, Mrs. Jennifer Horschel, Mrs. Patricia Krouse, Mr. Paul Shephard. Mr. Shephard left the meeting at 7:48, returned at 7:49 and left again at 7:51 p.m.

ABSENT:

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mrs. Sandy Anzalone, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Murphy, Director of Finance; Mrs. Barbara Thomasulo, District Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs. Mary Banko, Head Bus Driver; Mr. Jeff Cervoni, Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Miss Patricia Menkiena, Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal; Jill Murray, Student Representative

At 7:04 p.m., Mr. Byrnes called the meeting to order and asked those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Called to
order**

- ◆ Music Department Honors – Mrs. Cathy Jeffers presented an award to Lauren Henning for being named to the National Honors Ensemble. Lauren will travel to Nashville to practice and play at the Grand ‘Ole Opry. Lauren thanked Mrs. Jeffers, the Board of Education for their support, Mrs. Anzalone, Mr. Cervoni and all the administrators, as well as her teacher, Mrs. Roberts, and her private instructors, Mr. Furlong and Mrs. Laura Koepke from Fredonia.

**From
delegates,
admin &
staff**

- ◆ Capital Project Presentation – Ed Premo, Harter, Secrest & Emery and Tom Caruso, Campus Construction.

- Mr. Premo reviewed the steps that have been taken in the SEQRA process for the Capital Project. At the September 16, 2015 meeting, Young & Wright and Appel & Osborne presented information about the proposed project, including 11 areas of potential concern with regards to proposition two. Each area had only a minimal impact to the environment: some of those concerned lighting and noise. A Board policy with reasonable limits to those items will be adopted. There was no other significant impact, therefore, a determination of a negative SEQRA resolution is recommended. It was recommended that the Board of Education move forward with a public vote on the capital project to be held on Tuesday, December 15th.

- ◆ Capital Reserve Background – Mr. Murphy gave some background on capital reserves. In May 2007, a reserve fund was started with \$125,000. In 2009, there was \$315,000 in the capital reserve fund, and by 2010, there was \$400,000. The language was very restrictive. It did not include incidental fees, so the reserve fund from 2007 was updated to Capital Reserve Fund 2014 to include soft costs. Last year the reserve fund held \$1.9 million.

Request to withdraw items Mr. Campbell asked if anyone wished to remove any items from the consensus items. There were no consensus items removed.

Approved consensus items Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that the following consensus items be approved as listed in the Administrative Memorandum (#IV. A.-M.):

Minutes of the September 16, 2015 Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Revenue Budget Status Report for the period ending September 30, 2015.

Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2015.

Multi Fund Warrant for the period ending September 30, 2015 in the amount of **\$556,675.77**. This Warrant is broken down as follows: **General Fund portion \$503,326.33**, **Cafeteria Fund portion \$10,425.30**, **Federal Fund portion \$5,431.65**, and **Trust & Agency Fund portion \$37,492.49**.

ACH/Wire Transfer Warrant for the period ending September 30, 2015 in the amount of **\$500.00**. This Warrant is broken down as follows: **General Fund HRA portion \$500.00**.

Accounts Payable Warrant for the period ending September 30, 2015 in the amount of **\$6,677.50**. This Warrant is broken down as follows: **General Fund portion \$6,677.50**.

Extraclassroom Activities Fund Report for the period ending September 30, 2015.

Appropriation Status Report for the period ending September 30, 2015.

Budget Transfers for September 2015.

Claims Auditor Report for September 2015.

CSE/CPSE Recommendations.

Substitutes – The following personnel are appointed as substitutes, provided that these appointments will not be effective and service to the District pursuant thereto shall not begin until there has been compliance with statutory and regulatory provisions for fingerprinting/certification and clearance for employment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Certification</u>
Cassandra Smythe	PK-12 Teacher	October 22, 2015	None
Matthew Vogan	PK-12 Teacher	September 28, 2015	Spec Ed
Casey Lockwood	PK-12 Teacher	October 22, 2015	None
Sarah Roush	Nurse	October 22, 2015	RPN
Alison Bates	PK-12 Teacher	October 22, 2015	None
Judith Palleschi	Bus Attendant	October 22, 2015	None

The following personnel be appointed as Supplemental Activity Advisors and Coaches for the 2015-2016 school year, provided that these appointments will not be effective and service to the District pursuant thereto shall not begin until there has been compliance with statutory and regulatory provisions for fingerprinting/certification and clearance for employment:

**Supplemental
activity
advisors and
coaches**

1. Katherine Laverdi, Mentor for Matthew Vogan
2. James May, JV Football Assistant
3. Phil Archabald, Boys Modified Volleyball
4. Marisa Fallacaro, Field Hockey Aide
5. Matt Haier, Modified Football Assistant
6. Charles Rizzo, Wrestling Assistant
7. Joe Winiecki, Girls Soccer Aide.
8. Richard Weber, Modified Wrestling Coach – Paid by Eden Booster Club

Consensus items IV. A-M Carried unanimously.

At 7:22 p.m., Mr. Byrnes asked for comments from the public.

Comments

- ◆ Lisa Nicastro, Art Teacher – thanked the Board of Education for all they have provided to the Art Department. She showed some ceiling tiles from her classroom that were dirty due to poor air quality and pollutants. She asked that some of the environmental issues in proposition 2 be reallocated as health and safety issues in proposition 1 or, if they could not be moved, for the Board to unanimously move forward with proposition 2 for all stakeholders.
- ◆ Mike Alessi, Coach – stated that there are 24 kids on the JV football team and that the modified football program is doing well. Eden coaches will be going to the Little Loop program and North Collins to speak with the sixth graders. He will also be discussing flag football with the Boys & Girls Club. He feels the program will be helped with a turf field and lights for night games.
- ◆ Chris Archabald, English Teacher and Coach – stated that the possibility of adding a turf field is a rare opportunity. It will give “curb appeal” to the district. It will be a better atmosphere, exciting for our students and bring people in. As a coach, he is excited about the opportunity to play under the lights. A turf field is a perfect surface for lacrosse. It extends the season. It is not uncommon for Eden athletes to go to Hamburg on a Sunday to use their turf field until they lock it.
- ◆ Jennifer Carriero, School Psychologist and Coach – stated that turf is not just for football. Field hockey, soccer and lacrosse would also benefit from a turf field. It will increase the time the fields can be used dramatically. The field hockey team has been able to play much of their practice and games on our field this year, but that is not always the case. In 2013, Eden had to use Pioneer, North Collins and Hamburg fields, because ours were not playable. All playoff games are on turf. She asked the Board of Education to consider turf, as well. Mrs. Carriero also stated that she likes the grades 7-9 and 10-12 scenario for sports, because there are more people on a team, which helps Eden’s success when playing larger schools.

- ◆ Christina Harris, Student – stated that she plays field hockey and softball and that a turf field would benefit teams who cannot get on the fields due to rain or have to practice in the gym. It will greatly improve the athlete and team play.
- ◆ Ellen Kindley, Elementary Teacher and Elementary Play Director – mentioned that proposition 2 is not all about turf. There is money in proposition 2 for rehabilitating the Elementary School auditorium. Last year, a ceiling tile fell on the stage. The lighting is bad, it is jerry-rigged. The auditorium needs air conditioning. It would help make the auditorium, which is used for plays, concerts, and community events, more usable. She asked the Board of Education to support propositions 1 and 2.
- ◆ Matt Saramak, Technology Teacher and Club Advisor – thanked the Board for approving the purchase of computer equipment to bring the technology department into the 21st century. Proposition 1 would include new equipment for air supply and ventilation, which is currently outdated. The air compressor makes so much noise that it takes away from the teaching experience in Room 130. The woodworking room is being used as a metal shop room. Moving the air compressor outside will help increase the learning curve by leaving the roar of the compressor and dust collector behind.
- ◆ Mrs. Anzalone asked if Mr. Saramak had heard that Young & Wright may let our interns design the snack stand. Having Stevan Jones as a mentor is an honor for Mr. Saramak. What Mr. Jones is doing with Young & Wright is college level.
- ◆ Mr. Caruso added that Campus Construction Management also support student interns. They can have students help with the build as part of the project.
- ◆ Dan Polino, Music Teacher – spoke in support of proposition 2, especially the upgrade in ventilation, including regulating the temperature and humidity. Big changes in temperature and humidity can cause damage to string instruments. As a track coach, he added that the upgraded track and field would be easier to plow, so students would not have to run in the street in the event that there was still snow on the ground.

**Appointed
PT (.5)
Special Ed
Teacher – M.
Vogan**

Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, **Matthew Vogan**, who is initially certified in Students with Disabilities B-2 and 1-6 and Childhood Education B-2 and 1-6, be appointed as a .5 FTE Part-time Special Education Teacher effective September 28, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016. Salary is based upon **ETA Contract, Bachelor's, Step 1**. Carried unanimously.

**Appointed
Driver Ed
Instructor –
D. Howe**

Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, **Donald Howe**, who is certified to teach Driver Education, be appointed as a Driver Education Instructor effective October 22, 2015. Discussion ensued. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a Kohler upright spinet piano valued at approximately \$2,500 be accepted from the Pace family. Discussion ensued. Carried unanimously.	Accepted piano donation
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, books be excessed as presented. Carried unanimously.	Approved excessing books
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Eden Central School Safety Plan be approved. Carried unanimously.	Approved school safety plan
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shephard that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a SEQRA determination of significance (negative declaration) be adopted for Proposition 2. Carried unanimously.	Approved SEQRA negative declaration
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve moving forward with presenting the Capital Project Eden CSD 2020 to the voters. Carried unanimously.	Approved moving forward with capital project
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a resolution for a December 15, 2015 voting referendum be adopted. Mr. Shephard left the meeting during this motion at 7:48 p.m. Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Breeden, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cuddihy, and Mrs. Horschel voted yes. Mrs. Krouse abstained. The motion was carried. Mr. Shephard returned at 7:49 p.m.	Adopted resolution for voting referendum
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the legal notice for the Capital Project Vote be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.	Approved legal notice
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, an amount not to exceed \$20,000 be used from the Capital Reserve Fund for the Capital Project Eden CSD 2020 in the 2015-2016 school year. Discussion ensued. Carried unanimously.	Approved use of capital reserve fund
Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a community garden, "The Garden of Eden" be established at the GLP Primary School. Mr. Shephard left the meeting at 7:51 p.m. during this motion. Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Breeden, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cuddihy, Mrs. Horschel and Mrs. Krouse voted yes. Motion Carried.	Approved community garden

**Approved
increase in
appropriations**

Mr. Breeden made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2015-2016 appropriations be increased by \$524.10 to \$27,052,535.31 to account for increased revenues. Discussion ensued. Carried unanimously.

Note: The District received \$10.00 from Great American Opportunities for GLP; \$85.74 from Terracycle US for Eden Elementary; and \$428.36 from Utica Insurance for the Elementary Fence

Supt. report

Mrs. Anzalone reported the following:

- ◆ Thank you for all the votes and to all who spoke. Thank you to Ed Premo and Tom Caruso for being at the meeting.
- ◆ She passed a thank you letter from Jim Levulis acknowledging all the support and participation in the first John Levulis Memorial Soccer Tournament.
- ◆ She attended a dinner with Kelly LaRosa where Eden Central School received a certificate of recognition from WNY Stem Hub. STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. They have also added Arts – STEAM.
- ◆ Mr. Jones will be going to Oswego to become certified in Agriculture. Once he is certified, the District can move forward with FFA (Future Farmers of America).
- ◆ Some of our teachers and volunteers visited the Hamburg community garden. The District can now move forward with a community garden. Mr. Paul Zittel came in to discuss the project. Mr. Agle built the greenhouses around 1994-1996. If beds go up at GLP, they will be very visible. The District received a \$15,000 grant from Ag in the Classroom. Plants grown in the greenhouse can be used to raise funds. Karen Hall representative from Cornell Cooperative, 4H contact and district parent is very involved. The community garden is an opportunity to work with people in the business.
- ◆ Terry Zittel dropped pumpkins off for the GLP students.

Board report

- ◆ Mr. Byrnes went to GLP for a SMART Board presentation. While he was there, he had an opportunity to see a safety drill. The GLP teachers were very happy with the SMART Boards.
- ◆ Mr. Cuddihy thanked those who spoke about propositions 1 and 2. He said that while the air handling system was not particularly exciting, it is necessary and important. He appreciated being able to put a face to who it will affect.
- ◆ Jill Murray, student representative said she likes the idea of a turf field. They have gone to North Collins to play to get a feel for playing on a turf field.

- ◆ Budget Advisory Team Meeting – Wednesday, November 18, 2015 – 5:45 p.m. – JSHS Cafeteria **Future dates**
- ◆ Regular Board of Education Meeting – Wednesday, November 18, 2015 – 7:00 pm JSHS Cafeteria
- ◆ Public Meeting on Capital Project – Wednesday, December 9, 2015 6:30 p.m. in the JSHS Auditorium
- ◆ Referendum Vote on Capital Project – Tuesday, December 15, 2015 – 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the JSHS Auditorium Foyer
- ◆ Budget Advisory Team Meeting – Wednesday, December 16, 2015 – 5:45 p.m. – JSHS
- ◆ Regular Board of Education Meeting – Wednesday, December 16, 2015 – 7 p.m. – JSHS Cafeteria

At 8:04 p.m., Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cuddihy that the Board of Education anticipates entering executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person and ETA contract negotiations. Carried unanimously.

**Enter
executive
session**

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara J. Thomasulo
District Clerk

At 9:22 p.m., Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Byrnes to return to regular session. Carried unanimously.

**Return to
regular
session**

Mr. Breeden made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Krause to adjourn. Carried unanimously.

Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Byrnes
President, Board of Education

