

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Regular Meeting**

**April 15, 2013**

**Library Conference room**

Members Present: Frascella, Engels, Kowalski, McCauley, Kazmierczak, Fleischman

Members Absent: Jackson-McCarty

Others Present: Lawton, Amodeo, O'Brien, Boberg, Leslie Durandetto, Kim Lewis, Springville Journal reporter, Leanne Pfeffer, Justine Stephan, Aamina Haykal, Maryama Haykal

Administration Absent: none

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Kowalski.

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the UNITED STATES FLAG**

**III.** Moved by Frascella, Seconded by Engels to **ADOPT** the amended agenda:

Additions –Old Business item (A.) amend budget calendar

Deletions –none

Changes –tabled Personnel (G.)

6ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

### **IV. Correspondence/BOE information**

On April 10<sup>th</sup> Eric Lawton, Teaseleman Jackson-McCarty and Stephen Kowalski attended the Annual BOCES meeting at the Olean center. April 23<sup>rd</sup> is the BOCES budget and member vote. Steve suggested that the board start holding a public workshop meeting once a month at 6:30pm before a scheduled BOE meeting. The consensus of the board was favorable and will start on the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting date.

### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

none

### **VI. PRESENTATIONS**

Kim Lewis presented that the district offers (4) Spanish specialty semester classes instead of offering Spanish IV and V which were full year courses. The following courses are offered to juniors and seniors; Spanish for College, Spanish for Business, Spanish for Arts and Artists and Spanish for Countries and Cultures. The advantage for students to have this option instead of full year courses is to be able to choose which Spanish course they would like to take and receive ½ credit for each semester course taken. This also gives them the opportunity to choose other electives the district offers. Aamina Haykal presented on Spanish countries and cultures.

**VII. REPORTS**

A. Superintendent, Eric Lawton reported that he received a letter from Cathy Young. The \$500,000 pilot grant was not approved. We will have to begin planning a conservative building project to address the roof, the front walk and the safety fencing around the ball diamonds. On the agenda is the approval of two substitutes and he has their applications, if the board would like to view them prior to voting. Bids for the ping pong table and volleyball set will be extended until April 23<sup>rd</sup> until 3pm. He thought that every window in the building was repaired, actually only the windows which were broken, were repaired. There are still several windows that are not right. The windows which were not repaired were lubricated. This helped a bit but not enough to solve the problem. Over the summer possibly more window balances will be repaired. WVCS Hall of Fame is on Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. The District received a thank you letter and a copy of a certificate of appreciation from Ronald McDonald House to our cheerleaders for their generous donation of \$947. The cheerleaders went to Fisher Price to purchase toys for the Ronald McDonald House. Fisher Price was very generous with their prices.

B. Principal, Daniel Amodeo reported that NYS ELA assessments for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> will be held Tuesday through Thursday this week. Math assessments for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> will be held Wednesday through Friday of next week. Training of test administrators has been completed and we are anxious to see how are students have grown this year. Early release days were again discussed and still have some possible situations to work out. He provided draft templates and descriptions of the collaborative teams that are to be developed that will utilize the early release days for planning, development, and implementation of building initiatives. Several staff members have inquired about the Memorial Day holiday and if the district would be giving one of the snow days back for the Friday preceding the weekend. A motion for approval will be on the next agenda.

C. Business Official, Ann O'Brien gave a budget update. She reviewed updated budget documents along with updated assumptions. The update includes new revenue figures based upon the enacted budget. She asked the board what their thoughts were on the NYS Teachers' Retirement stable contribution plan. The consensus on the board was not to participate.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve the unofficial Board of Education minutes from the March 25, 2013 Regular meeting, adjusted February trial balance for student activities report, March Treasurer's reports, budget status, revenue status, extra classroom activities, March Warrants and March Bank Reconciliations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**IV. PERSONNEL**

A. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Kowalski to approve Jackie Mumbach, Amy Butler and James Baker Sr. as chaperones for the 2013 senior trip to Virginia Beach to also include March 2, 2013. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by Engels, Seconded by McCauley to approve Lisa Fox as a substitute monitor, substitute cleaner and substitute teacher aide, effective April 24<sup>th</sup> for the remainder of the school year. Fingerprint clearance has been completed. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to approve Leanne Pfeffer to the position of substitute bus driver so her training can begin, with the expectation of her beginning next school year, provided she meets all federal, state and local qualifications. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to accept, with regrets, the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Deborah H. Fenn from teaching as of June 30, 2013. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by McCauley to accept, with regrets, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Leesa H. Easton from teaching Art as of June 30, 2013, with regrets. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

F. Moved by Engels, Seconded by McCauley to approve Vincent Venitelli, Meaghen Venitelli and Connie Jo Kazmierczak as chaperones for the Band trip to Washington, DC from April 19<sup>th</sup> through April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Kazmierczak) motion accepted.

G. ~~**TABLED** Consider a motion to approve the verbal resignation of Elizabeth Bless from the substitute list, effective April 16<sup>th</sup>.~~

**X. OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Frascella, Seconded by Fleischman to amend the budget calendar to adopt the 2013-2014 budget and property tax report card on April 23<sup>rd</sup> instead April 15<sup>th</sup>. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

**XI: NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Moved by Engels, Seconded by McCauley to accept a donation of a La Patrie, Natural acoustic guitar and case, model #1395 from Leanna Pfeffer for use in the schools music program. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

B. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Frascella to approve a facilities use request for the West Valley Central School Alumni Association to hold the annual dinner and meeting on July 6, 2013 from 5pm – 9:30pm in the multi-purpose room (cafeteria) and kitchen. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

C. Moved by McCauley, Seconded by Kazmierczak to approve the transportation request received from St. Aloysius Regional School on the behalf of Stephanie and Greg Spross parents of Gabrielle Spross 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Michele and William Sundeen parents of Abigail Sonnenberg 7<sup>th</sup> grade and Sophia Sundeen 1<sup>st</sup> grade , Wendy Campanella parent of Mara Campanella 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and Eric Campanella 8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2013/2014 school year. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

D. Moved by Engels, Seconded by McCauley to approve the CSE recommendations. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

E. Moved by Engels, Seconded by McCauley to accept the 2013 fire inspection report that was completed on March 13, 2013. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Frascella, Seconded by Engels to go into Executive session at 8:45pm for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted

Moved by Engels, Seconded by Frascella to come out of Executive session at 9:20pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

**XII:** Moved by Engels, Seconded by Frascella to **ADJOURN** at 9:22pm. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion accepted.

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District Clerk