

Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting
October 5, 2015

The Webutuck Board of Education held their October 5, 2015 meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Kristen Panzer, President

Cory Chinn

Christopher Mayville arrived at 7:00 pm

Nikki Johnson

Richard Keller-Coffey

Bill McGhee arrived at 7:00 pm

Judy Moran

Also Present:

Raymond Castellani, Superintendent

Cynthia Hawthorne, Business Official

Therese Trotter, District Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Johnson made and Mrs. Chinn seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 6:30 pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person or persons.

Aye 5 Nay 0 The motion carried.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Ms. Moran made and Mrs. Johnson seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 7:00 p.m.

Aye 5 Nay 0 The motion carried.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Panzer called the business meeting of October 5, 2015 to order at 7:08 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Castellani noted the next Board meeting would be October 26, 2015. The new BOCES Superintendent, Mr. Hooley, will be in attendance. Mr. Castellani noted that the Students of the Month will be displayed on the school sign.

He reported that this Friday there will be a bonfire for the start of Homecoming Weekend. The fire department will be on hand.

Mr. Castellani noted the letter from Mr. Sauer to parents regarding the language program that will begin shortly. A Board member stated that the fourth grade hadn't gotten there's yet. He will check with Mr. Sauer. He also noted that Mrs. McEnroe will be starting a Lego Club.

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October 9 is Professional Development Day and will be an early release for students.

3.01. APPR Update

Mr. Castellani reported that they are waiting for October 9 training and then he will submit the APPR Hardship Waiver.

3.02. Transportation/Student Day Committee

Mrs. Hawthorne held the Committee meeting this week. The group focused on the purpose of the Committee. Discussion took place on developing a survey for parents, looking at discipline data, cost of bus monitors and a separate PreK run. Research on the various topics is ongoing. The Committee is also looking at K-6 and 7-12 bus runs. The next meeting is October 14 at 2:30 pm. Discussion ensued.

3.03 Website Development

Mr. Pollinger noted that after he consulted with Chris Chamuris, it was possible to change our splash page to a Webby page. He presented the splash page that he has been working on for the Board members to view. Mr. Pollinger said the page needs more work but he hopes to have it up by next week. Discussion ensued.

3.04 Pole Banners

Mr. Castellani had the pole banner fundraiser in his previous district. We have twenty-four light poles around the school property to display banners on. Through a fundraiser businesses can purchase a banner to display their business name or parents can purchase one with wording on them. The initial cost would be a set amount with every year following a lower cost to continue to advertise. The Board liked the idea. Discussion ensued.

3.05 Regional Shared Service Committee

Assemblywoman Didi Barrett met with Mr. Castellani last Friday regarding shared services regionally. President Panzer would like to move forward on this topic by forming a committee. The first task is to identify and define the problems in our district. The second task would be to meet with neighboring schools and look for a model that we could use to stay relevant and to be able to provide an education that we want our kids to have. It was decided to wait until the October 26 Board meeting when Dr. Hooley, BOCES Superintendent, will be in attendance and there can be more of a discussion on the topic of regional shared services. Discussion ensued.

4. CONSENSUS AGENDA VOTE

A consent agenda is a single vote, which approves all asterisked items. Board policy (#008a) prohibits discussion of consent agenda items. Asterisked* items can be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion by any one Board member. The amendment called for removing #6.05 Extra-Curricular Appointments, 8.01 Approval of Donations and 9.01 Approval of Voting Delegate for NYSSBA Meetings.

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

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5. DISTRICT CLERK'S REPORT

***5.01. Approval of Minutes**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes from September 21, 2015 Board meeting as submitted.

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

***5.02. Approval of Financial Reports**

Extra Classroom Fund Quarterly Report ending July and August.

Treasurers Report for the month ending July and August.

Comprehensive Budget Status Report ending July and August.

Comprehensive Revenue Status Report ending July and August.

Claims Auditor Report Warrants #1-11

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Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

5.03. Delegations – There were no delegations.

6. PERSONNEL

6.01. Creation of Support Staff Position

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby creates the following position:

POSITION	EFFECTIVE	Salary
(1) Part-Time Typist	October 06, 2015	Prorated per CSEA Contract

Ms. Moran made and Mr. Mayville seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

***6.02. Leave of Absence**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following paid/unpaid Leave of Absence for the purpose of FMLA:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
April Whalen	Teacher	Approx. October 5, 2015 - January 1, 2016

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

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***6.03. *Support Staff Appointments**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following support staff appointments:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	Salary
Kathleen Sullivan (Replaces Jennifer Sullivan)	Typist (12 Month)	September 28, 2015	Step 5 as per CSEA contract
Julie Ruuge	Typist (10 Month)	October 19, 2015	Step 1 as per CSEA contract

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

***6.04. Substitute Support Staff Appointments**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following support staff appointments:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	SALARY
Amanda Weaver	Substitute Food Service Helper	October 6, 2015	\$10.69/hr
Melanie Kay	Substitute Clerical Worker	October 6, 2015	\$12.85/hr
Monica Linton	Substitute Clerical Worker	October 6, 2015	\$12.85/hr
Monica Linton	Substitute Teacher Aide	October 6, 2015	\$11.96/hr
Monica Linton	Substitute Teacher Assistant	October 6, 2015	\$11.96/hr

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

6.05. Extra-Curricular Appointments

This item was removed from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Extra-Curricular Appointments for the 2015-2016 school year:

NAME	POSITION for 2015-2016 School Year	STIPEND
Tammy Nethercott	EBIS Yearbook Advisor	\$250
Lauren Boldrin	Modified Volleyball Volunteer	No Stipend
Shelby Adrian	Modified Soccer Volunteer	No Stipend
Tara Morey	JV Boys Soccer Volunteer	No Stipend

Ms. Moran made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Mr. Keller Coffey questioned if volunteer coaches have to have certification. Mr. McGhee replied no. Discussion ensued

Ms. Moran made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to table the resolution.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

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7. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

***7.01. Committee on Special Education Monthly Report**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby accepts the Committee on Special Education report for August and September 2015, prepared by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Pre-School Education and by the Webutuck Central School District Committee Special Education.

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

8. BUSINESS and OPERATIONS

8.01. Approval of Donations

This item was removed from consent agenda for further discussion.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following donations with gratitude:

DONATIONS	ORGANIZATION
School Supplies	Millbrook Rotary Club
School Supplies	Ancramdale Neighbors Helping Neighbors Assoc.

Mr. Keller Coffey made and Mr. Mayville seconded the motion. Mr. Keller Coffey questioned what the supplies and what the value was of the donation.

Ms. Moran made and Mrs. Chinn seconded the motion to table the resolution.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

9. BOARD OF EDUCATION

9.01. Approval of Voting Delegate for NYSSBA Annual Meeting

This item was removed from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Board member as the Voting Delegate to represent Webutuck School District at the NYSSBA Annual Meeting:

Ms. Moran nominated Chris Mayville as the Webutuck Voting Delegate and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the nomination.

Mr. Keller Coffey reported on what the delegate could expect the process of voting to be.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

Mr. Mayville abstained.

Mr. Keller Coffey nominated Judy Moran as an alternate voting delegate and Mrs. Chinn seconded the nomination.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

Mrs. Moran abstained.

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9.02. Approval of Revised Policy #1230 Public Participation at Board Meetings

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the revised Policy #1230 Public Participation at Board Meetings as amended.

Ms. Moran made and Mr. Mayville seconded the motion.

Ms. Moran pointing out wording she hadn't notice regarding speaking about employees and students in public even if it is complimentary. Ms. Chinn and Mrs. Johnson attended the NYSSBA new school board member conference and it was discussed and it is correct. There is a way to compliment an employee or student without using their names. The wording will stay as is. Discussion ensued.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

9.03. Committee Reports

The Policy Committee meeting will be postponed tomorrow.

Ms. Panzer and Mr. Mayville met with Katy McEnroe regarding Committee on Special Education monthly report and about special education in general. She explained the report to the Board members. Mr. Mayville gave her some organization contacts to reach out to for community support. They asked her to let them know what kind of support she needed for special education to be successful. Ms. McEnroe will report at Board meetings as other departments do. Discussion ensued.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments by the public.

Mr. Moran questioned if the police should come to speak with school employees about how to handle incidents and what resources are available. The pros and cons of a school resource officer were discussed. It was decided to have Mrs. Chinn, Board representative on the Emergency Planning Committee, research this topic and bring information back to the Board. Discussion ensued.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Chinn made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:32 pm for the purpose of contract negotiations and personnel

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Ms. Moran made and Mrs. Johnson seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 10:10 p.m.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mrs. Chinn made and Mr. Mayville seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of October 5, 2015 at 10:11 pm.

Aye 7 Nay 0 The motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter
District Clerk