

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
HOLLAND PATENT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2009
ANNEX BOARD ROOM – 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Holland Patent Central School District was held in the Annex Board room, located in the village of Holland Patent, New York on Wednesday, March 18, 2009. Board President Mr. Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Kennedy, President
Karen Evans, Vice President
Traci Boris
Anne McGahey
Everett Stalker
Bradley Ashcroft
Kathleen M. Davis, Superintendent of Schools
Louis D'Ambro, Assistant Superintendent
Wendy A. Lloyd, District Clerk

ALSO PRESENT

Nancy Nowicki
John Egresits
John Bubb
Kristin Casab
Ericka Gerace
Andrew Goodelle
Allen Hyde
Lawrence Orr
Charles Pratt
Cheryl Venettozzi
Willard Streiff
Dennis Geer
Josh Olney
Mark Celecki

VISITORS

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on March 4, 2009.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

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POSITIVE THOUGHTS

High School Principal John Egresits presented the board of education members with complimentary tickets to the high school play.

Mrs. Davis thanked the Board, administration, and staff for supporting her over the last two weeks with her father passing.

Student school board member Bradley Ashcroft presented certificates to Paul Mueller, Nolan Amos, Jeff Amos, and Dennis Ofalt for winning the Section 3 Championships in Nordic ski.

Nordic ski coach Josh Olney said they are a great group of kids. Academically the team is 7th in the state. He said it has been a pleasure to work with them. Mr. Olney thanked the Board of Education for supporting the program.

Mrs. Davis commented she attended a ski meet and it was very impressive to watch.

The Nordic Ski team won the Section 3 Championships. The team consisted of Nolan Amos, Paul Mueller, Jeff Amos, and Dennis Ofalt. Nolan Amos won the individual Section 3 Nordic ski title.

High School Principal John Egresits and High School Assistant Principal John Bubb wrote a congratulatory letter to Josh Olney on an outstanding season the Nordic ski team had this past season.

Student school board member Bradley Ashcroft presented a certificate to Tyler Evans. Mr. Ashcroft stated that he too was a member of the swim team and was impressed with Tyler's ideology of working hard.

Swim coach Mark Celecki thanked the Board of Education for inviting him to the meeting and supporting the swim program. He noted Tyler was a great motivator for the team.

Tyler Evans was the Section 3 Class B champion in the 100 yard freestyle event. Tyler competed at the State Championships in Long Island on March 6th.

High School Principal John Egresits and High School Assistant Principal John Bubb wrote a congratulatory letter to Mark Celecki on an outstanding season the boy's swimming and diving team had this past season.

Mrs. Davis presented certificates to the Shining Knights for February: Beth Denhoff, HS; Janice Krebs, HPE; and Wendy Gregory, Bus Garage. Denise Dunn of the middle school and Joyce Triebel from GWF were also chosen but were not in attendance.

General William Floyd Elementary Principal Kristin Casab wrote a thank you letter to teachers Heidi Knopp, Anna Popowski, and Susan Dousharm for taking the initiative to invite James Kelly from National Grid to General William Floyd Elementary.

General William Floyd Elementary Principal Kristin Casab wrote a thank you letter to James E. Kelly, Manager of National Grid for the electricity presentations that he provided our third grade students at General William Floyd.

General William Floyd Elementary Principal Kristin Casab wrote a thank you letter to Elaine Hage, Athletic Director of the Potato Hill Farm Outdoor Education Center for all the hard work and dedication that you gave to our fourth graders at General William Floyd Elementary.

General William Floyd Elementary Principal Kristin Casab wrote a thank you letter to Katie Goodman and Rebecca Pisani for assisting with the 3 – 5 New York State Math Assessments.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a thank you to Jennifer MacMillan for attending the high school faculty meeting on March 3 and reading her “How To” poems.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a thank you to Leah Rice for attending the high school faculty meeting on March 3 and reading her “How To” poems.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a thank you to Erika Bradley for attending the high school faculty meeting on March 3 and reading her “How To” poems.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a thank you to Nolan Amos for attending the high school faculty meeting on March 3 and reading his “How To” poems.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a thank you to Ms. Lauren Barone and Mr. David Lupinski of the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority for attending the High School Faculty meeting on March 3, 2009 to discuss the “Go Green” program.

Utica National would like to recognize Holland Patent CSD at the Syracuse seminar (3/23) for achieving the highest level in the 2009 School Safety Excellence Award (Titanium with honors). This would include a presentation at the podium with a few words.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a letter to Nolan Amos congratulating him on an outstanding season with the Holland Patent Nordic Ski team.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a letter to Paul Mueller congratulating him on an outstanding season with the Holland Patent Nordic Ski team.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a letter to Dennis Ofalt congratulating him on an outstanding season with the Holland Patent Nordic Ski team.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a letter to Jeffrey Amos congratulating him on an outstanding season with the Holland Patent Nordic Ski team.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a letter to Tyler Evans congratulating him on an outstanding season with the Holland Patent swim team.

High School Principal John Egresits and Assistant Principal intern John Bubb wrote a letter to Dan Fruscella congratulating him on an outstanding season with the Holland Patent wrestling team.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mr. Gehrig, Mr. McGahey, and Mr. Williams for the outstanding Chinese presentation on Friday, March 6, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Dr. Everett and Diane Stalker for serving refreshments during the "Open Mic Night" on February 27, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Ms. Laura Panzone, Mrs. Lupia-Eannace, Ms. Nikki Lupia-Eannace, Ms. Leah Harter, Ms. Julia Panzone, and Mr. Zielenski for helping with the Holland Patent Elementary "Open Mic Night" on February 27, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mr. Harter for the recent presentation on his career.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mr. Williams and staff for all the setting up and additional work they put into the Holland Patent Elementary "Open Mic Night" on February 27, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mrs. Mahanna for providing snacks for the "Open Mic Night" on February 27, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mr. Ingersoll and Mrs. Whitney-Bochniak for helping with the sound system at the Holland Patent Elementary "Open Mic Night" on February 27, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mrs. Gaige for the recent presentation on the Presidential Inauguration.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you to Mrs. Harter for organizing the HPE "Open Mic Night" on February 27, 2009.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a letter to Jon Harter requesting help from the Holland Patent Fireman during the *Ride for Missing Children* stop at the Holland Patent Middle School on May 15, 2009.

Mrs. Davis commented that the school play is this weekend and it is outstanding and encouraged everyone to attend.

08-336 **REVIEW OF UPCOMING DATES**

March 19, 20, 21, 2009	High School Play
March 23, 2009	Spring Sports Begin – Modified
March 24, 2009	International Night, HS, 7 p.m.
March 25, 2009	MS/HS Pops Concert at HS, 7 p.m.
March 27, 2009	Young People’s Concert (Gr. 1, 3, 5 at MS); 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. (Gr. K, 2, 4 at HS)
April 1, 2009	Teacher Center Policy Board Meeting, 3:45 p.m. GWF PTG, 4 p.m. Board of Education Meeting Annex Board Room, 7 p.m.
April 1 and 2, 2009	HPE Book Fair

08-337 **VISITORS**

Holland Patent Teachers’ Association president Roger White had questions on the school calendar. He also asked about the budget plan for potential aid.

Mrs. Davis noted it was part of Mr. D’Ambro’s presentation this evening.

08-338 **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

08-339 **BOARD FORUM**

Mr. Kennedy noted there was an addendum 2A Appointments and 2B Leave of Absence.

Mrs. Davis commented that the building principals do not have district cell phones. Mr. Geer, Mr. D’Ambro, Mr. Streiff, Mrs. Nowicki, Mr. Bubb, and Mrs. Davis are the only staff members who have district provided cell phones.

08-340 **DISTRICT UPDATE**

H. R. Beebe presented an update on the capital project.

08-341 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Kennedy noted that the Policy Committee met this evening.

08-342 **BILL SCHEDULES**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to accept for payment bill schedule #9 General Fund in the amount of \$151,730.67, for the period ending March 18, 2009 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to accept for payment bill schedule #8 School Lunch in the amount of \$21,936.25, for the period ending March 18, 2009 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to accept for payment bill schedule #9 Federal Funds in the amount of \$1,893.00, for the period ending March 18, 2009 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to accept for payment bill schedule #10 Capital Project in the amount of \$530,681.10, for the period ending March 18, 2009 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-343 **APPOINTMENTS**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to approve the following appointments:

Approve the following current substitute teacher appointments at a per diem rate of Certified \$80 per day; Non-certified \$65 per day:

<u>Name</u>	<u><i>Certified Rate \$80/day</i></u> <u><i>Non-certified Rate \$65/day</i></u>	<u>Certified</u>
DeHart, Eugene	7789 Bell Road North Rome, NY 13440	No
Hameline, Maureen	10004 Korber Road Holland Patent, NY 13354	No
LaManque, Sara	10449 Doyle Road Deerfield, NY 13502	No
Schonewetter, Dennis	7981 Brookside Drive Rome, NY 13440	No

Appoint Kerry Sullivan to the position of Global Studies, United States History/Government Saturday Morning Review Teacher for Saturday, April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 30, and June 7, 2009, at the rate of \$35.89/hr.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

08-344 **APPOINTMENTS**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to appoint the following for the 2008-09 school year:

Ed Knamm Softball volunteer
Cory Farley Softball volunteer

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

08-345 **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to approve the request of Keith DeStefanis for a leave of absence without pay for the period of April 1 through to June 26, 2009.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

08-346 **2009-2010 BUDGET REVIEW**

Mrs. Davis reported that a presentation to review revenues will be postponed as there is no new news from the state.

Mr. D'Ambro presented a scenario comparing Federal Stimulus, DRA Reinstatement, and Administrative Budget Proposal and how each would impact the budget and tax levy. If more information becomes available it will be presented to the board on April 1, 2009.

08-347 **ENCLOSURES**

There were no comments on the enclosures.

08-348 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:57 p.m., Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to take a short recess and to return in executive session to discuss the employment history of particular people.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

At 8:15 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

08-349 **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to discuss at this time, Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to adjourn the meeting.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:16 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex Board Room.

Wendy A. Lloyd
District Clerk