

The Webutuck Board of Education held their March 22, 2010 meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Dale Culver, President

Joseph Herald

Andrew Jablonsky

William McGhee

John Perotti

Also Present:

Lee Bordick, Superintendent

Mary Grden, School Business Manager

Therese Trotter District Clerk

Absent:

Susan Lounsbury

Joseph Matteo

CALL TO ORDER

President Culver called the business meeting of March 22, 2010 to order at 7:33 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topics were commented on by audience members:

There was no public comment.

DISCUSSION

1. Proposed 2010-2011 Budget

The budget process discussion was continued. The Superintendent repeated that the focus thus far was outside of the academic program and more on reductions within shared maintenance, transportation, BOCES and equipment. The Audit/Finance Committee has been looking at different trends such as state aid projections, tax levy, expenditures and enrollment. The 2009-2010 budget is \$20,480,000. The same academic program next year will cost \$21,168,134. To maintain a budget increase of 3%, the Board will have to reduce approximately \$600,000 from the budget. Discussion ensued.

2. RFP Independent Audit

The Board will provide input on the draft. It will then be sent to the newspaper as a legal advertisement.

3. Cafeteria Consultant Update

The Cafeteria Consultant has been on site. She will send her thoughts on an overview, time commitment and focused priorities for the Board to review for this coming Board packet.

4. Oil/Water Separator Update

The work on the oil/water separator will begin this week. The control panel will probably not be here for two weeks. The completion date is April 20.

5. Boiler Update

Mary Grden received an estimated savings from the consultant that was 10% -25% in boiler savings (in fuel usage). The total amount of gallons that were used during 2008-2009 in the Jr./Sr. High School and EBIS was 48,000 gallons. The average price per gallon was \$1.75. Factors that affect that number are time frame the fuel was received and the severity of the winter season. Discussion ensued.

6. Building Conditions Survey Update

The RFPs are due Wednesday, March 31. Thursday, March 18 the District had a walk thru with architects. The Board will have to decide what process they will use to select the architects. The School Business Manager will conduct reference checks. Discussion ensued.

CONSENSUS AGENDA VOTE

Mr. Herald made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion to approve the consent agenda (as amended). The amendment made by Mr. McGhee called for removing #2 under Personnel and by Mr. Herald called for #5 under Personnel to be removed for discussion in Executive Session.

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.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

1. Delegations -None
2. Non-Staff Communications - None

PERSONNEL

***1. Extra-Curricular Appointments for the 2009-2010 School Year**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following extra-curricular appointments, for the 2009-2010 school year:

Sean Hosier

Kathleen Howard

Varsity Girls Track

Modified Track

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

2. Extra-Curricular Amendment for the 2009-2010 School Year

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the amendment to the following extra-curricular appointment:

Remove Landon Johns
Change Peter Stefonowich to

Varsity Boys Track
Varsity Boys Track

***3. Revised Leave of Absence**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following revised Leave of Absence for the purpose of child rearing:

Monica Baker-Boszik ESL Teacher
Effective: March 29, 2010 - June 24, 2010
(Original dates February 11, 2010 – March 26, 2010)
Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

***4. Amendment/Addition of Resolution**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education be authorized to submit a Section 211 waiver application to the State Civil Service Commission on behalf of Mary Grden. The waiver request is for the period effective January 2, 2010 through June 30, 2010.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

5. Approval of Temporary Support Staff

This item was removed from the consent agenda.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the temporary Support Staff as listed:

Robert McGhee
Effective: March 23, 2010

19A Examiner
(\$20/hr for approximately 30 hrs)

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

1. Approval of Surplus Equipment

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

This will be a legal notice in the newspaper. Mary Grden explained that she would like to have two (2) separate bids. One bid would be everything but the football jerseys. The second bid would be by item so that individuals could purchase a jersey. She stated that the minimum bid would be ten dollars (\$10) for a jersey.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following Surplus Athletic Football Equipment and Apparel (see attached):

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent explained that the presentations of Rachel's Challenge were well received, well done and very powerful presentations. The presenter complimented Webutuck District on how organized and ready we were for him. Tomorrow, as a follow up there will be meetings with staff and then with students to discuss having a school free of bullying.

The Superintendent saw the musical "Oliver" this weekend. It was a great turnout for the production. Mrs. Gagne and the kids did a great job.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. The Board President stated at the last meeting after executive session the Board came out into public session and announced that Stephen Schoonmaker will be the next Superintendent of Webutuck. The Board President spoke about Mr. Schoonmaker's resume. The Board President thanked David Paciencia, the Superintendent consultant for the work he performed during the search.

2. The Board President and School Board Manager discussed the \$626,000 discrepancy between Governor's proposal and the revenue line.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topics were commented on by audience members:

New Superintendent will start July 1

CAPE presentation on Drugs tomorrow

Science Night is this Thursday night

Board members at Rachel's Challenge

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Herald made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:39 pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person or persons.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Jablonsky seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 9:26 pm.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

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Ayes 4 Dale Culver, Joseph Herald, Andrew Jablonsky, John Perotti

Nays 1 William McGhee

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not to exceed 30 hrs)

Ayes 5

Nays 0

The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Herald seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of March 22, 2010 at 9: 26 pm.

Ayes 5

Nays 0

The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter

District Clerk