

The Webutuck Board of Education held their March , 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

Joseph Matteo

William McGhee

John Perotti

Also Present:

Lee Bordick, Superintendent

Mary Grden, School Business Administrator

Therese Trotter District Clerk

Absent:

Susan Lounsbury

## **CALL TO ORDER**

President Culver called the business meeting of March 10, 2010 to order at 7:41 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following are comments made by audience members:

There were no comments from the public.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **1. Proposed 2010-2011 Budget**

Audit/Finance Committee Meeting Report

The Audit/Finance Committee met before the Board meeting. Their focus was on potential reductions such as busing going to a one bell system, closing MES and consolidating to one campus, reduction in supplies district-wide and reduction in conferences etc. There was further discussion on looking at a lower gross figure in next year's budget in comparison to the current year. The Committee discussed the State of New York's economy and also the fact that the projected deficit grows with every year. Education and Medicare make up approximately 70% of the State budget which is quite high and potentially means schools are looking at substantial reductions by the State. Discussion ensued.

### **2. Future BOE Meeting Dates and Locations**

The Superintendent explained that the original budget calendar called for April 5 Board Budget adoption. He proposed to the Board an April 12 date to adopt the budget to allow for more discussion about the budget. The Board agreed. The Board decided to add March 22<sup>nd</sup> as a Board meeting for further budget discussion.

### **3. Senior Trip**

Mr. Hopkins presented the Board with additional information in their Board packet regarding the trip that the Board had asked for. The Superintendent stated that tentative approval was given in February for the senior trip and it is on the agenda tonight for Board approval. The Board asked that future trip information be put in the same format. Discussion ensued.

### **4. Consultant Contract**

Regarding the school lunch program, this contract will allow review and evaluation of the lunch program to make sure Webutuck is in compliance for any potential audits. Questions arose about payment method and estimated time. Discussion ensued.

### **5. Current Fundraising Events**

The Superintendent explained about Empty Bowls and Soles4Souls. They are two fundraising events that are taking place in the school proposed by John Roccanova and Christine Gillette involving staff.

### **6. "Drugs in our Backyard" March 23 presentation by NECC**

This program was presented at Sharon Hospital. It is a panel discussion which community members saw and thought that it was relevant for the School District. NECC is bringing it to Webutuck through CAPE and the Northeast Coalition. A Board member suggested that coaches talk to the students about what this is about and possibly suggest they go. The Athletic Director will be asked to coordinate the information with the coaches. Discussion ensued.

### **CONSENSUS AGENDA VOTE**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion to approve the consent agenda (as amended). The amendment made by Dale Culver called for removing #2 under Personnel.

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 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

#### **\*1. Acceptance of Financial Reports as Submitted**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded a motion to accept the Financial Reports stated above as submitted.

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report for the month ending January.

Comprehensive Budget Status Report ending January.

Comprehensive Revenue Status Report ending January.

Warrants #45-50

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

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

## **PERSONNEL**

### **\*1. Substitute Instructional Appointment**

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the following substitute instructional appointment:

Rick Stackow	Substitute Teacher
Effective: March 9, 2010	(\$85/day)
Ayes 6      Nays 0	The motion carried.

### **\*2. Extra-Curricular Appointments 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 following extra-curricular appointments, for the 2009-2010 school year:

Rick Stackow	Boys Varsity Baseball
Kevin Kleespies	Boys Modified Baseball
Landon Johns	Boys Varsity Track
Peter Stefonowich	Girls Varsity Track
Aaron Kelly	Modified Track

### **\*3. Amendment of Resolutions**

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

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

Mary Brandt	Full Time Bus Driver (was Bus Driver)
Effective: October 6, 2009	Step 1 at \$16.87/hr. (per CSEA contract)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Donna Merritt's temporary appointment to cover from 2/9/2010 – 6/20/2010 be amended to reflect the following, at no additional compensation from her current salary:

Donna Merritt	Part Time (.5) Teaching Assistant Part Time (.5) Typist
Ayes 6      Nays 0	The motion carried.

## **BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**

### **1. Approval of Consultant Contract**

Mr. Matteo made and Mr. Jablonsky seconded the following motion:

Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby approves the consultant contract between Marilyn Serino for a per diem amount and the Webutuck Central School District for cafeteria training and review as submitted on a per diem amount.

Ayes 5      Nays 0      The motion carried.

Mr. Herald abstained from the vote.

## **2. Acceptance of Donation**

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

Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of 1,000 small jars of paint valued at \$500.00 from Sal Aiello of Aboff Paint with gratitude.

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

## **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

### **1. Committee on Special Education Monthly Reports**

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

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 February 2010, prepared by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Pre-School Education and by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Special Education.

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **2. Approval of Senior Trip**

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

Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby approves the Senior Trip on June 4 through June 6, 2010 to Virginia Beach, Colonial Williamsburg and Busch Gardens.

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

The Superintendent reported on an upcoming event for the Webutuck School District. Rachel's Challenge presentation is next Thursday, March 18. The event was accepting donations and now it is fully funded. Board members suggested getting the message out on the radio with NASCAR Dave and the sign down by the road. Discussion ensued.

Other upcoming events are the WHS Musical "Oliver" on March 19 at 7pm, 20 at 7pm, and 21 at 2pm. On March 23 a presentation "Drugs in Your Backyard" will take place.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

There was none.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**The following topics were commented on by audience members:**

-radio show a.m. for Rachel's Challenge

- Superintendent Search
- NY State topic of Regents downsizing
- Board member not in attendance

### **BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS**

There were none.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Jablonsky made and Mr. Herald seconded a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:17 pm for the purpose of reviewing the employment history of a particular person(s).

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr. made and Mr. seconded a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the public session at 10:47 pm.

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. made and Mr. seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of March 10, 2010 at 10:47 pm.

Ayes 6      Nays 0      The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter  
District Clerk