

The Webutuck Board of Education held its September 21, 2009 meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Dale Culver, President

Joseph Herald

Joseph Matteo

John Perotti

Also Present:

David Paciencia, Superintendent

Linda Peters, School Business Administrator

Therese Trotter, District Clerk

Absent:

Andrew Jablonsky

Susan Lounsbury

William McGhee

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Culver called the business meeting of September 21, 2009 to order at 7:34 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were none.

**INTRODUCTION:** New Webutuck School District Staff were introduced.

Mrs. McEnroe the Elementary Principal introduced April Ary, Pre-K Teacher and Michael Ferrara, leave replacement for Patricia Hammond -all of whom are new teachers to the District. Jr./Sr. High School Principal Drew Hopkins introduced his new staff this year. Anna Duffy is the Agricultural Teacher, Kristen Chadwick is the Guidance Counselor, Andrea Christensen is the Jr./Sr. Nurse and David Weinstein is an Itinerant Substitute. Aaron Kelly was absent due to a family emergency. The Board meeting took a 15 minute recess while cake and coffee was served, and Board members met and spoke with the new staff.

### **CONSENT AGENDA VOTE**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda (as amended). The amendment offered by Mr. Matteo pulled the Board minutes of June 9, 2009 off for further discussion.

(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 Board President pointed out under Business and Operations #1 the Insurance Liability increase is \$1,300, under Personnel #4; Human Resource Clerk is now called "Personnel Assistant" according to civil service and lastly, the confidentiality statement

was added to the individual contracts for 2009 - 2010.)

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

\*1 Approval of Minutes for June 9, July 20, August 17, and September 8, 2009 Board meetings.

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo seconded a motion to accept the Minutes stated above as submitted:

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

\*2. Acceptance of Financial Reports as Submitted

Treasurer's Report for the month ending July.

Comprehensive Budget Status Report ending July.

Comprehensive Revenue Status Report ending July.

Warrants #1-13

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo seconded a motion to accept the Financial Reports as submitted:

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

3. Delegations - None

4. Non-Staff Communications - None

### **PERSONNEL**

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

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo 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 mentor appointment for the 2009-2010 school year:

#### **Mentee**

Karen Rubin, Special Ed.

#### **Mentor**

Tammy Nethercott, Special Ed.

And to remove:

Lynn Buckley as her mentor

For 2009-2010

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

**\*2. Extra-Curricular Appointments for the 2009-2010 School Year**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo 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 years:

Sean Hosier

Mary Tauber

Damian Whittaker

Girls Modified Soccer Coach

Co-Advisor for Class of 2011

Co-Advisor for Class of 2011

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

**\*3. Approval of Individual Contracts**

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the contracts for the School Business Administrator and Director of Facilities and Operations for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

**\*4. Approval of Individual Contracts**

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Webutuck Central School District approves the contracts for Treasurer, Secretary to the Superintendent and District Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, and Personnel Assistant for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

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

Mr. Matteo made and Mr. Herald 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 and in accordance with the WTA payment schedule:

Steven Pollack	Mock Trial Advisor
Nancy Gagne	Play Director
James Gagne	Play Set Construction
Kathleen Byers	Assistant FFA Advisor

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

**6. Support Staff Substitute Appointment**

Mr. Matteo 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 Support Staff appointment:

Kelsey Couglar	Substitute Bus Driver
Effective: September 22, 2009	(Step 1 at \$16.80hr per CSEA contract)

Ayes 4 Nays 0 The motion carried.

**7. Instructional Appointment**

Mr. Matteo 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 Instructional appointment:

Caitlin Brennan	Teaching Assistant
Effective: September 22, 2009	(Step 1 at \$13.58/hr)

per CSEA contract)  
Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **8. Amendment of Resolution**

Mr. Matteo 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 title:

Christine Belcher	Personnel Assistant (part-time)
Effective: September 22, 2009	(Formerly: Human Resource Clerk)
Ayes 4      Nays 0	The motion carried.

## **BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**

### **\*1. Approval of Liability Insurance Modification**

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the increase of the Webutuck School District's liability insurance from 3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 at the additional cost of \$1,300.

Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **2. Acceptance of Donation**

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education of Webutuck School hereby accepts the donation of a band saw from Tom Marshall.

(Questions arose about checking with Paul Zerbato regarding insurance coverage and liability. The Superintendent stated he was told that it has all the safeguards that one would normally find on a store bought model.)

Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

### **\*3. Authorization to Declare Surplus Vehicle**

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes that the following vehicle be declared surplus and authorizes the sale of it through public bid:

Vehicle # 70	ID#2b5wb35y9rk183276	Mileage 104,852
Ayes 4      Nays 0	The motion carried.	

### **4. Oil and Water Separator**

The Oil and Water Separator is back on schedule with a completion target of late November or early of December. Discussion ensued.

## **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby accepts the Committee on Special Education report for July and August 2009, prepared by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Pre-School Education and by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Special Education, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

## **OTHER**

The Superintendent commented on the School Business Administrator's Update where she stated the CPI (Consumer Price Index) is at 0.00. He has never seen the CPI hit that figure and wanted the Board of Education to be aware of its impact on the future budget. Discussion ensued.

### **1. Booster Club Walk of Fame**

The Superintendent attended the Booster Club meeting last week where they discussed a new fund raiser. The Booster Club would sell bricks which parents, community members etc. could buy and be placed in a walkway somewhere near the track (exact location to be determined). The buyer will be able to have their name imprinted on the brick. In the end, the school would have a nice brick walk way. The Superintendent explained the Boosters are meeting with masons to get a price comparison. The Board President would like to have the list of masons the Booster Club is looking at to possibly add a name or two to it. The Board did not have a problem with the Booster club moving ahead with this project. The Booster Club is also looking at having a Co-Ed Alumni soccer match to fund raise also in the current year.

### **2. District Wellness Policy**

The older version of this policy had been sent to the school attorney for review. Any changes that come back from the attorney will then be discussed in the Policy Committee meeting. Discussion ensued.

### **3. Self Defense Course**

The Superintendent and Jr./Sr. High Principal met with Kitty Visconti to discuss the self-defense course for girls to be held at Webutuck School District. Ms. Visconti discussed price per student. However, the District asked if a lower price could be arranged depending on whether we have a set number of students to take the course. Ms. Visconti is looking into it. Discussion ensued.

### **4. MSG Varsity**

The School Attorney is working out the language on the contract with MSG Varsity. As soon as the Superintendent receives the information, he will bring it forward to the Board.

### **5. EXCEL Project – Security Camera Sites**

The nurses' offices have been added to the list of camera sites. The District is up to twenty-four (24) camera sites within the revised plan. There are still eight cameras sites

available for the future. There will be information forthcoming that will allow the Board to see what kinds of cameras will be used at the various locations. Some cameras will have a 360 degree range while others will not depending on the location. There is a December 31, 2009 completion date for this project. Discussion ensued.

The Superintendent handed out to Board members a timeline for the EXCEL project to be completed.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

### **1. Other**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following are comments made by audience members:

- Self Defense Program (afterschool)
- Congratulate the School Board on the direction the School is going
- Absences of Board members

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION (Specific Personnel Issue)**

Mr. Matteo made and Mr. Perotti seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:23 pm for the purpose of discussing specific personnel issues and employment histories.

Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

## **RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Matteo seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 9:00 pm.

Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

## **PERSONNEL**

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

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 Extra-Curricular appointment for the Fall 2009-2010 season:

Cross Country Coach Fall 2009      Landon Johns (at no remuneration)

Ayes 4      Nays 0      The motion carried.

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

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Herald 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 and in accordance with the WTA payment schedule:

National Honor Society	Sherry Fisher
Jr. National Honor Society	Sherry Fisher
Ayes 4 Nays 0	The motion carried.

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

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo 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 and in accordance with the WTA payment schedule:

Play Vocal Director	Lee Stowe
Drama Advisor	Lee Stowe
Ayes 4 Nays 0	The motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of September 21, 2009 at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter  
District Clerk