

The Webutuck Board of Education held their July 12, 2010 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

William McGhee

John Perotti

Casey Swift

Also Present:

Steve Schoonmaker, Superintendent

Mary Grden, School Business Manager

Therese Trotter, District Clerk

Absent:

Joanne Boyd

CALL TO ORDER

President Culver called the business meeting of July 12, 2010 to order at 7:31 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topics were commented on by audience members:

There were no comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Matteo made and Mrs. Swift seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 7:34 pm for the purpose of talking to an audience member that requested time in Executive Session.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Herald made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 7:47 pm.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

DISCUSSION

1. H. S. Principal Search

The Superintendent provided the Board with a principal search process timeline and an informational survey for their discussion. It was noted that the principal advertisement was sent out today. Discussion took place on the principal process and how the Board would like to proceed. It was decided that the survey would be sent out through the Key Communicator, announced through the AlertNow phone system and posted on the website. The timeline on information received and formation of committees was discussed. Discussion ensued.

2. Curriculum Proposal

The Superintendent proposed mathematics in-service during this summer. There is about \$10,000 in the budget for curriculum development and also money for a consultant. The focus will be on curriculum instruction and students, which would increase student performance. Ms. Hamm, the Math Department Head discussed how the Superintendent, Katy McEnroe, Mary Murphy and she developed the summer in-service for math. Cost of the in-service and the history of some of the problem areas seen by the Board in the past, and assessments were discussed. Board members were in agreement that the Math In-service would be advantageous and that the Superintendent should move forward with the proposal.

3. Regional Substitute Rates

The Board looked at regional substitute rates and it showed that Webutuck's rates were competitive in comparison to other districts. Substitute rates of nurses and tutors were discussed. Discussion ensued.

4. Organizational Membership

There are several membership requests that were given for their review such as, MHSSC, DCSBA, NYSSBA, COPE and NYSRSA. The Superintendent stated that he has belonged in the past to New York State Rural School Associations and has found it to be useful. He discussed the other organizations and what they provide. Discussion ensued.

CONSENSUS AGENDA VOTE

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo seconded the following motion to approve the consent agenda as amended.

The amendment by Mr. Perotti called for removing #1 under Clerk's Report from consent and voting separately on the July 6 Business meeting minutes.

The Board President spoke about Mr. Biasotti's resignation. He praised Mr. Biasotti for always being willing to give a hand in any situation. Mr. Biasotti has done whatever the Board needed whenever they needed it. The Board President stated they appreciated and thank him for his work over the years. The Superintendent clarified the extra-curricular positions the Board had questions on. The Board President requested revisions on the July 6 Board minutes and they will be amended accordingly.

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. Approval of Minutes for July 6, 2010 Reorganization Meeting**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Matteo seconded a motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes for July 6, 2010 Business Meeting

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to approve the July 6, 2010 Business Meeting as amended.

The amendments called for changing Lee Bordick to Steven Schoonmaker, to note under BOCES Update that Mr. Meade stated he would come back to address the Board's concerns and lastly on page six of the minutes for Holly Schrom to be removed from the resolution of Substitute Support Staff Appointment.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

3. Delegations

Marilyn Unger spoke about the playground and the history of raising money. The playground at MES was purchased for the Pre-K age children and she would like to see if it's possible to move that piece of playground to WES. Also, Mrs. Unger was concerned WES playground is not accessible most of the year due to drainage problems. The Playground Committee spoke about paving the area from the school to the playground. Discussion ensued.

4. Non-Staff Communications - None

PERSONNEL

***1. Extra-Curricular Appointments for the 2010-2011 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:

Shawn Hosier	Cross Country Coach
Samuel Fitzgerald	Golf Coach
Aaron Kelly	Boys Varsity Soccer Coach
Jennifer Brandt	JV Volleyball
Henry Pollinger	High School Yearbook Advisor
Henry Pollinger	Advisor HS Newspaper
Henry Pollinger	Literary Magazine Advisor
Nancy Gagne	Play Director
Nancy Gagne	Play Choreographer
James Gagne	Play Set Construction
Lee Stowe	Play Vocal Director
Kim Coon	Co-Advisor Class of 2012
Trisha Lawrence	Co-Advisor Class of 2012
Steven Pollak	Advisor Mock Court
Ayes 6 Nays 0	The motion carried.

***2. Administrative Resignation**

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 accepts the following Administrative Resignation of the following individual:

John Biasotti

Curriculum Coordinator

Effective: June 30, 2010

Ayes 5

Nays 0

The motion carried.

3. Approval of Individual Contracts

This item was removed for further discussion in Executive Session.

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 Director of Facilities and Operations, Treasurer, Secretary to the Superintendent and District Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, Human Resource Clerk and Head Bus Driver for the 2010-2011 school year.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

The motion carried.

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

1. Approval of Surplus Books

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

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves eleven (11) Addison-Wesley Mathematics, one (1) Math- Scott Foresman- Addison Wesley, sixteen (16) Everyday Spelling- Scott Foresman-Addison Wesley, two (2) Improve Your Reading Part 2- Reader's Digest, one (1) Open Court Reading, seven (7) Explore American Literature, three (3) books & one (1) teacher manual Using Mathematics Book 5- Troutman, Bezdek, Tobin 1984, four (4) In Other Words and three (3) In Other Words A Beginning Thesaurus as surplus.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

The motion carried.

2. Approval of Vending Company

The Business Manager stated the contract lacked the language about what products can/cannot be put into the vending machine and also the contract lacked any kind of termination language if the District was not happy with the vending company services. It was decided that the contract language needed to be straightened out before approving the vending company for the upcoming year.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves Coffee Systems of Hudson Valley agreement for the Webutuck School District to provide a full-service vending program.

3. Other

A Board member asked that the yellow chair that sits under the tree outside MES be removed.

A Board member reported that a community member came to the Millerton Recreation Committee and asked that the banner of Jennifer Nyjak's, who went to a Division I school for sports, be put back up in the gym. The Superintendent will look into it and have it put back up.

A Board member asked about alternative energy and if the Business Manager has heard anything. The Business Manager had not but will contact NYSERTA again. Discussion ensued.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. The Superintendent reported the Non-Tuition rates the Board had previously asked about. District policy calls for using the NYS formula. They are as follows:

2010-2011 Non-Tuition rates:

Grades K-6 \$ 9,195

Grades 7-12 \$10,644

BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. Other

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topics were commented on by audience members:

There were no comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 10:10 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 Mrs. Swift seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 11:19 pm.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Perotti made and Mrs. Swift seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of July 12, 2010 at 11:19 pm.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter
District Clerk