

GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 19, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President Dennis Schaperjahn in the absence of Board President Jay Anderson at 6:00 PM in the High School Conference Room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Michelle Bombard, Melodye Eldeen, Dennis Schaperjahn, Joan Slagle

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Jay Anderson, Anita Crawford, Linda Jackowski

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard

To go into executive session at 6:00 PM to discuss Galway Administrators Association and CSEA negotiations.

All Voted Aye to Approve the Motion. Motion Passed. 4 YES 0 No

REGULAR SESSION

Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Melodye Eldeen

To return to regular session at 6:30 PM in the High School Library.

All Voted Aye to Approve the Motion. Motion Passed. 4 YES 0 No

OTHERS PRESENT

Shannon C. Shine, Superintendent of Schools; Frank Ferraro, Business Administrator; Michelle McDougall, Elementary School Principal; Brita Donovan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment; Jennifer Hall, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Employees and Community Members

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - none

PRESENTATIONS - none

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Shine provided an update to the search for a Jr./Sr. High School Principal. The district is in the second phase of the hiring process where three finalists were selected. One candidate withdrew their application to accept other employment. Third and final round interviews will take place on January 25th where the two finalists will present their entry plan and be interviewed by the Superintendent of Schools, entire Board of Education, Galway Teachers Association Co-Presidents, and two administrative representatives. The Board of Education will then discuss their findings at the February 2nd meeting. If needed, they can continue their discussion at the February 16th Board Meeting. Following reference checks, a candidate could be ready for appointment at the February 16th or March 9th Board meeting with a likely start date of at least 30 days subsequent to the appointment date. Another possibility, should reference checks not go well, is that the search be reopened. Brita Donovan was thanked for serving as Interim Principal and doing a great job. The many contributors to the hiring process were also thanked for volunteering their time and efforts toward hiring a Jr./Sr. High School Principal.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard to approve the following:

CONSENT AGENDA				
FINANCIAL REPORTS / BOARD MEETING MINUTES				
November & December, 2016 November, 2016		Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report District Treasurer's Report		
CSE / CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS				
Approve CSE/CPSE recommendations as presented to the Board prior to the meeting.				
RESIGNATIONS				
Amanda Biss	Resignation from Teacher Aide position effective December 8, 2016.			
Michael Healey	Resignation from Jr./Sr. High School Principal position with thanks and appreciation for his service to the District and best wishes in his new position as Superintendent of Argyle Central School District.			

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

APPOINTMENT(S)				
NAME	TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE	
Linda Danison	Teacher Aide	\$9.70/hour	01/13/17	
Martha Desiato	Substitute Cafeteria Worker	\$9.70/hour	01/20/17	

All Voted Aye to Approve the Motion. Motion Passed. 4 YES 0 No

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Joan Slagle

Accept a \$500 donation from the Galway Community Education Foundation to be used

for a Future Farmers of America Conference with thanks and appreciation.

All Voted Aye to Approve the Motion. Motion Passed. 4 YES 0 No

2. Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard

Following a 2nd reading, adopt the following Board policies:

5405	Student Wellness
5450.1	Notification of Sex Offenders
5454	Student Automobile Use
5454R	Student Automobile Use Regulation
5460	Child Abuse, Maltreatment or Neglect in a Domestic Setting
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5500	Student Records
5500R	Student Records Regulation
5500.E-1	FERPA Notice Regarding Access to Student Records and Student Information Exhibit
5500.E-2	Student Records Exhibit - Directory Information
5500.E-3	Student Records Exhibit - No Child Left Behind
5500.E-4	Student Records Exhibit - Parents' Bill of Rights for Student Data Privacy and Security
5500.E-5	Application to Review Student's Records and Consent Thereto by Parent or Student Exhibit
5500.E-6	Application to Review Student's Records by Parties Entitled Thereto Without Consent by
	Parent or Student
5500.E-6A	Notification of Release of Student Records Pursuant to Court Order or Subpoena Exhibit
5550	Student Privacy
5710	Violent and Disruptive Incident Reporting

All Voted Aye to Approve the Motion. Motion Passed. 4 YES 0 No

Gate Receipts and Admissions Regulation

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment was made on upcoming PTSA activities and successful fundraisers. Nadine DesPres, Teacher Aide and PTSA member, thanked the Board and Administration for their support on a personal level and also on behalf of the PTSA. Comment was made that the new batting cage is up and running and being enjoyed by many. Mention was made of upcoming sports activities for those interested in attending. A community member attended a robotics competition in Saratoga and commented on how impressive it was. The Board agreed and stated that they were very impressed with robotic class presentations received from students at prior Board meetings.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Joan Slagle read a letter she received from a former graduate of the Class of 1996 indicating a willingness to donate funds to the District to be used toward select projects in arts and technology yet to be determined.

Dennis Schaperjahn asked that if anyone had information regarding students beginning school later in the morning to let him know so discussion could take place at a later date. He stated that various statistics indicate that students perform better for example at 9:00 AM instead of earlier in the morning. Those in attendance stated that the District already thoroughly invested this and determined that it was not feasible to take that route.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Joan Slagle to adjourn at 7:00 PM. All Voted Aye to Approve the Motion. Motion Passed. 4 YES 0 No

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Casatelli

Linda M. Casatelli District Clerk