

GALWAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 9, 2017 6:30 PM - HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice-President Dennis Schaperjahn at 5:30 PM in the High School Library.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Anita Crawford, Melodye Eldeen, Linda Jackowski, Dennis Schaperjahn, Joan Slagle, (Michelle Bombard appeared later in the meeting during Executive Session.)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Jay Anderson

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Linda Jackowski, Second Melodye Eldeen to go into Executive Session at 5:30 PM to discuss collective bargaining negotiations and specific personnel matters.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

(Michelle Bombard arrived during Executive Session.)

REGULAR SESSION

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Linda Jackowski to return to Regular Session at 6:30 PM in the High School Library.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

OTHERS PRESENT

Shannon C. Shine, Superintendent of Schools; Frank Ferraro, School Business Administrator; Michael Sherman, Transportation Supervisor; Galway School Employees, Students and Community Members.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - was recited

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - were noted

PRESENTATIONS

A Transportation Department Update was provided by Michael Sherman, Transportation Supervisor. It included information on Demographics, Team and Methodology, Fleet, Automated Routing System, and Staff Scheduling and will be posted on our website. Various discussions took place throughout the presentation which included questions and suggestions from the Board. Mr. Sherman was thanked for a very informative presentation and congratulated him and his staff on the great job that everyone does in the Transportation Department.

Mr. Ferraro, School Business Administrator, presented a draft 2017-18 Operational and General Support Budget; Debt Service and Employee Benefits Budget; Instructional & Special Education Budget to the Board of Education. He talked about where we are in the budget development process as the budget continues to be developed. Further discussions will take place at upcoming board meetings and the community was encouraged to attend to learn more about the budget being presented to voters on May 16th. Mr. Ferraro stated that he is willing to present the budget to community groups such as the Lions Club, Senior Citizen Organizations, etc. and asked that if anyone was interested to please contact him. He is also going to reach out to them as he would like the community to be fully informed when they come to vote on the budget in May. Budget information is also available on the District's website.

Mr. Ferraro gave an update on the Technology Committee. The committee is working on selecting a vendor for a new district website as our current website will no longer be supported. It is anticipated that the District will have a new website before the end of the calendar year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Shine reported on Lobby Day that he attended at the state capitol to advocate for the District's legislative priorities.

The Facilities Committee has been meeting with architects, engineers and designers on the finishing design touches on numerous areas especially those slated for renovations like the art room, FACS room, etc. as the capital project moves forward.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Anita Crawford to approve the Consent Agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA							
FINANCIAL REPORTS / BOARD MEETING MINUTES							
January, 2017		District Treasurer's Report					
January, 2017		Student Activity Accounts Treasurer's Report					
February 2 and 16, 2017		Revised Board Meeting Minutes					
CSE / CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS							
Approve CSE/CPSE recommendations as presented to the Board prior to the meeting - None							
RESIGNATIONS							
NAME	DESCRIPTION						
Amy Kondrat	Resignation from her Stenographer (Jr./Sr. High School Secretary) position effective 02/17/18 for retirement purposes with thanks and appreciation for her 30 years of service to the District.						
John Bartow	Resignation from Bus Driver position effective 03/10/17.						
Russell Brush	Resignation from Bus Driver position effective 03/03/17.						
APPOINTMENTS							
NAME		TITLE	RATE OF PAY	EFFECTIVE DATE			
Cynthia Swiatek	Sub	. Cafeteria Worker	\$9.70/hour	03/02/17			
Noreen VanDeusen	Sub. Cafeteria Worker		\$9.70/hour	03/10/17			
Kristie Gasner	Teacher Aide		\$9.70/hour	03/02/17			
Mayra Encaracion	Bus Driver		\$16.01/hour	03/06/17			
John Bartow	Substitute Bus Driver		\$16.01/hour	03/13/17			

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

James Smith	Volunteer Softball Coach	-	03/06/17
Michael Glenn	Volunteer Softball Coach	-	03/06/17
Kurt Vanderhorst	Volunteer Varsity Track Coach	-	03/06/17
William Hartman	Volunteer Asst. Baseball Coach	-	03/06/17
Neal Evans	Volunteer Asst. Baseball Coach	-	03/06/17

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard

Accept \$1,500 donation from the Galway Community Education Foundation to be used toward an Eagles Media Center/GTV trip with thanks and appreciation.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Anita Crawford

Accept a donation in the amount of \$2,085.25 from A2R, Inc. (Art To Remember) fundraiser to be used toward elementary art room supplies and equipment and authorize the Treasurer to increase budget code #A2110.535-04-0000.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard

Authorize a deposit of \$15 from a \$115 donation made by Jay Anderson into the Future Farmers of America (FFA) Student Activity Account as a result of FFA jackets costing \$100 instead of \$115.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

2. Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard to TABLE the following until a full Board could be present to vote:

Per the recommendation of the Academic Stakeholders Committee, approve Physical Education in Grades 7-12 GPA's with the following implementation dates:

2017-18 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th Grade

2018-19 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Grade

2019-20 All Grades

and to modify the motion for the next meeting to include only grades 7 and 8 during the 2017-18 school year, Grades 7-10 during the 2018-19 school year and grades 7-12 during the 2019-20 school year.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

3. Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Anita Crawford

Adopt Board of Education Policy #5420 and Regulation #5420R - Student Health Services following a second reading.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

4. Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Linda Jackowski

Approve a CSEA Employee Benefit Fund Retiree Vision Memorandum of Agreement and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the agreement on behalf of the District. All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

5. Motion Anita Crawford, Second Melodye Eldeen

Approve a Budget Transfer in the amount of \$20,088.50 from Health Budget Code #A960-800-00-0000 to Bonds-Bus Interest Budget Code #A9712.700-00-0000.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard,

Approve a Budget Transfer in the amount of \$30,000 from Health Budget Code #A960-800-00-0000 to Bonds-Bus Principal Budget Code #A9712.600-00-0000.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion Joan Slagle, Second Michelle Bombard,

Approve a Budget Transfer in the amount of \$20,000 from Non-Instructional Salaries Budget Code #A2250.160-09-0000 to Professional Salaries Budget Code #A2250.150-09-0000.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

6. Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard,

Authorize participation in a Cooperative Purchasing Program coordinated by the WSWHE BOCES for the 2017-18 school year for ice cream and bread products.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion on various sports activities took place. Comments were made that the kids are doing a great job. An update of upcoming PTSA fundraisers and events was provided. The Board of Education and administration were thanked for their support.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Ferraro was thanked for doing a great job on the budget and for presenting a budget that could be very easily understood. They also expressed appreciation for his willingness to present the budget to community groups. Mr. Sherman was thanked for a very informative Transportation Department presentation earlier in the meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Michelle Bombard to go into Executive Session at 9:00 PM in the High School Conference Room, to discuss collective bargaining negotiations and specific personnel matters.

All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

REGULAR SESSION

Motion Melodye Eldeen, Second Linda Jackowski to return to Regular Session at 10:15 PM. All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion Michelle Bombard, Second Melodye Eldeen, to adjourn at 10:16 PM. All voted Aye to approve the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Casatelli
Linda Casatelli
District Clerk

Two Vacancies on the Board of Education Petitions Available

Galway Central School has two vacancies on their Board of Education. Each are four year terms of office that begin on July 1, 2017 and end on June 30, 2021. These seats are currently held by Jay Anderson and Anita Crawford whose terms expire on June 30, 2017. Jay Anderson has announced that he will be seeking re-election to another term of office on the Board of Education. Anita Crawford announced that she will not be seeking re-election.

Individuals seeking election to the Board of Education at their annual school election on May 16, 2017 must submit a petition to the District Clerk, Linda Casatelli, with a minimum of 25 signatures from district residents. Please contact the District Clerk for further information and to obtain a petition (518) 882-1033 Ext. 3224 or lcasatel@galwaycsd.org.

To qualify for membership on a school board, an individual:

Must be able to read and write;

Must be a qualified voter of the district, that is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years or older; and not a convicted felon or adjudged an incompetent; (Note: a convicted felon is barred from running for a seat on the Board of Education if his/her maximum prison sentence has not expired or if he/she has not been pardoned or discharged from parole);

Must be and have been a resident of the district for at least one year, but need not be a taxpayer;

May not have been removed from any school district office within the preceding one year, or the preceding three years in the case of New York City community school board members removed for malfeasance or criminal conviction while serving as a member of a community school board;

May not reside with another member of the same school board as a member of the same family;

May not be a current employee of the school board;

May not simultaneously hold another incompatible public office.

Linda Casatelli District Clerk, Board of Education Galway Central School District