

## HORNELL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – MARCH 1, 2017

President McNelis opened the meeting at 5:16 PM and led the Board/Public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:** John McNelis, Kerry Davis, Joshua DeLany, Jessica Hess, Judy Rose, James Marino

**ABSENT:** Uzma Mehr (arrived at 5:18 PM)

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

**RESOLVED:** that, the agenda be approved as presented  
CARRIED – 6 AYES – ALL

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Member Mehr arrived at 5:18 PM

### PRESENTATIONS

#### **Celebrating Success:**

- :
- Barbara Kramer, North Hornell Principal** reported:
- Held a Family Fun Night and Book Fair with a theme of healthy eating and exercise – Wegmans provided healthy snacks – Thank you to the CATCH team for their help in planning.
  - Held a 100 celebration
  - Completed the first iReady testing
  - Teachers are continuing to work on Social Studies and Science Standards
- Jennifer Sorochin, Bryant School Principal** reported:
- As part of the “Happy Camper Reading Challenge” students read over 1000 books in the first week. They earned a movie and a s’mores party on Friday. The top reader in each class earned a free book at the Book Fair.
  - Holding a Family Fun Night and Book Fair on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - iReady testing is almost complete. Thanks to Kelly Matacale for organizing and supporting the teachers during testing and to our intervention team for their support as well. Also, thank you to Erica Siebert for getting this up and running in our District.
  - Thank you to our counselors, Kim Sherburne and Trenton Berry, for their ongoing support of our students as we continue to help students deal with social and emotional issues.
- Sean Gaffney, Intermediate School Assistant Principal** reported:
- A shout-out to the directors, cast and crew of Peter Pan for their fantastic performance. Also, thank you to the parent volunteers and the HS for the use of the stage.
  - The Intermediate School ski club had a very successful year with great numbers. Thank you to the advisors and chaperones.
  - The swimming pool area is almost complete; a new record board has been added – please stop by and see it. Jennifer Larkin and Colin Hall are working on swimming scales.

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- Christa Fortin has been working with our drum line before and after school. They recently won first place in a competition in Hilton.

**Scott Carroll, Sr. High School Principal (on behalf of grades 7-12)** reported:

- The Jr./ Sr. High started up the “Hornell Glob” again; the first publication was in late February with highlights of what we’re doing in the school.
- Congratulations to McKayla Okienewski for winning the “Lincoln Day Scholarship”. She also read her winning submission at the 75 Lincoln Day Dinner.
- A huge thank you to Jim Miller and his crew for all of their hard work re-coring our 7-12 building.
- Congratulations to the following Honor Grads and Valedictorian / Salutatorians who were announced for the HHS Class of 2017:

Erin Briggs, Valedictorian

Dakota VanHoven, Salutatorian

Zander Callura

M. Usman Chaudhry

Erin Crosby

Zachary Dieter

Jacob Dunham

Tyler Franklin

Heather Hickok

Randy Jackson

Benjamin Kemnitzer

Amaya Koczent

Reilly Liberto

Natalie Marino

Austin L. Miller

Madison Murphy

Maxwell O'Rourke

Julia Perkins

Benjamin Pollinger

Rachel Shepard

Abigail Shick

Isabella Slocum

Colin Smith

Grace Smith

Kristin Talbot

Nicholas Updyke

Annie Willsey

Jacob Weyand

- The percentage of students on the Honor/High Honor Roll for the Jr. High (7-9) was 52% and the Sr. High (10-12) was 53% (requires an average of 85% or better!).

### REPORTS

**Construction Report - (Mick Pavlick – Welliver):** Provided the Board with the Construction Report and reviewed same.

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### Superintendent's Report –

#### Superintendent Wyant reported:

- Informed the Board of March events
- He attended the GST BOCES Legislative event featuring Senator Thomas O'Mara, Assemblyman Philip Palmesano, Assemblyman Christopher Friend as well as representatives from the offices of both Congressman Tom Reed and Assemblyman Joseph Errigo. The attendees asked for a review of some specific areas of financial concern:
  - Inadequacy of fund balance limits
  - Tax Cap compliance - factors are unfair
  - Ability to create a reserve for TRS
  - Foundation Aid – not fully funded – use of true poverty levels
  - PILOT Programs effect on districts

#### There was also discussion regarding:

- Reemphasis of teaching as an attractive profession  
(Noted: Mr Carroll recently attended a job fair and the message from attendees was that they were told not to go into education, This seems to be a backlash from 2008 cutbacks.
- Would like to take a look at current certification areas
- Broadband access – technology in instruction (some schools now have Wi-Fi on buses)
- BOCES Salary Cap – \$630,000 threshold aideable
- Concern at Federal level for Title 1 Programs
- Noted that items from the preliminary agenda that was provided to the Board were removed to obtain additional information and will be put on an agenda for the night of the Budget Workshop to be held on March 15, 2017. Anticipated Items to be included will be:
  - Approval from the voters to spend \$152,000 from the current Bus Reserve
  - Approval from the voters to establish a new Bus Reserve with a maximum of \$1,000,000
  - Approval of the voters to enter into an agreement to lease buses
  - 2017/18 Budget Vote / School Board Member Election resolutions

### ROUTINE ITEMS

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves /accepts the following consent agenda items:

- Approval of the minutes for the meeting of February 1, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Claims Auditor/Warrant Report for the period ending January 31, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Treasurer's Reports for the period ending January 31, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Student Activities Reports of January 31, 2017.
- Acceptance of the GF Budget Transfer Report for the period ending January 31, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Cafeteria Budget Transfer Report for the period ending January 31, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Appropriations Report for the period ending January 31, 2017.

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- Acceptance of the Revenue Report for the period ending January 31, 2017.
- Has no objection to the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendation for the meetings of January 31, 2017, February 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 15, 16 and 17, 2017. The Committee on Preschool Special Education meetings of January 31, 2017, February 1 and 16, 2017 and the 504 Meetings of February 1, 2 and 16, 2017.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

### POLICY/PROCEDURE

BY: DELANY/DAVIS

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the out of state conference request of Kristin Brunetto and Kelley Argentieri to attend the Marine Corp Educator's Workshop in Parris Island, SC on February 27 – March 3, 2017 (including travel).

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

The Board held a first reading of the following policies:

Policy # 5681 – School Safety Plans (revised)

Policy # 5683 – Fire and Emergency Drills, Bomb Threats and Bus  
Emergency Drills (revised)

Policy # 6213 - Registration and Professional Development (revised)

Policy # 7131 - Education of Homeless Children and Youth (revised)

Policy # 7220 - Graduation Option / Early Graduation / Accelerated  
Programs (revised)

Policy # 7222 - Diploma or Credential Options for Students with  
Disabilities (revised)

Policy # 7270 - Rights of Non-custodial Parents (new)

Policy # 7616 - Prereferral Intervention Strategies (revised)

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

**RESOLVED:** that, the Board waives the second reading of the above policies and approves/adopts all as presented.

CARRIED – 7 AYES - ALL

### FINANCE:

There were no Finance items on the agenda

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**PERSONNEL:**

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the following Spring coaching assignment (pending fingerprint clearance and required certifications) stipends as specified in the HEA Agreement:

Sean Gaffney                      Step 1                      Modified Tennis Coach  
CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/MARINO

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the following Spring coaching assignment (pending fingerprint clearance and required certifications) stipends as specified in the HEA Agreement:

Angela DeLany                      Step 1                      Assistant Track Coach  
CARRIED – 6 AYES – 1 ABSTENTION (DELANY)

BY: DELANY/DAVIS

**RESOLVED:** Resolved that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the following Spring volunteer assistants:

William Headley                      Baseball  
Patrick McHale                      Baseball  
Michael Kramer                      Golf  
Athena Ackley                      Softball  
Mary Wolf                      Track  
CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/HESS

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board accepts the resignation of Robert Mullen III as Cleaner effective February 8, 2017.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DELANY/DAVIS

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the 26 week probationary appointment of Ryan Cox as Cleaner, 12 months, 8 hours per day at the rate specified in the HESSA contract, effective March 2, 2017.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the following advisor appointment for the 2016/17 school year (retroactive to September 1, 2017):

Tanya Ross                      Class of 2021  
CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the amendment of the previous appointment of Whitney Dennis as Biology Teacher on February 1, 2017 to that of Whitney Dennis as Science Teacher.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

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BY: DELANY/DAVIS

**RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the following changes to the substitute roster and other assignments, **pending successful fingerprint clearance through the New York State Education Department and approval through DMV and or Civil Service if applicable:**

**Substitute Additions:**

Holly Cone- Bus Attendant

Jennifer Foreman- Uncertified Teacher (effective 2/01/17)

Jessica Gallicchio-Teacher Aide

Judy Haynoski- Typist, Teacher Aide, Bus Attendant, Bus Driver, Food Service Helper

Sandy Lampe- Teacher Aide, Food Service Helper, Bus Attendant, Laborer

Dalton May-Laborer

John Peace- Food Service Helper

Taylor Richardson-Typist, Teacher Aide, Bus Attendant, Food Service Helper

Dan Smith-School Security Monitor

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

**INFORMATIONAL:**

There will be a Special Meeting / Budget Workshop on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 5:15 PM in the Columbian School Conference Room.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held at 5:15 PM in the Columbian School Conference Room on Wednesday, April 5, 2017.

BY: DELANY/DAVIS

**RESOLVED:** that at 5:47 the Board move to Executive Session to discuss a legal matter and a personnel employment matter, the Board invited Supt. James Frame and Patrick Flaitz to join them.

CARRIED – 7 AYES - ALL

BY: DELANY/HESS

**RESOLVED:** that at 8:41 PM the Board return to Regular Session and the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Eaton, District Clerk