

HORNELL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – APRIL 5, 2017

President McNelis opened the meeting at 5:23 PM (following the Audit Committee Meeting) and led the Board/Public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: John McNelis, Kerry Davis Joshua DeLany, Judith Rose, Jessica Hess, James Marino, Uzma Mehr

ABSENT: None

RESOLVED: BY: DAVIS/DELANY
that, the agenda be approved as presented
CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Member Mehr arrived at 5:18 PM

REPORTS

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

Celebrating Success:

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Barbara Kramer, North Hornell Principal reported by Superintendent Wyant:

- In March our students finished the first administration of IREADY, Math & ELA assessments. Teachers then met to analyze the data and decide intervention groups.
- Our districtwide safety exercise was held on the March 10th conference day. Staff has been given the opportunity to provide feedback and continue safety discussions at faculty meetings.
- Second of three report cards have gone home
- Held their “Spring is in the Air” Musical last night (April 4th) at the High School

Sean Gaffney, Intermediate School Assistant Principal reported:

- Will be having a scavenger hunt for the next VIL program reward Adventure
- Congratulations to the 5th and 6th grade drumline recently competed in the State Competition and won 1st place in their division – thank you to Christa Fortin for working with them
- State testing went well, great job staff and kudos to Jodi McAneney for her organization.
- Friday night was the Intermediate School Cabaret directed by Dawn Hopper, was unable to attend, but heard it was well attended – great job!

Adam Porter, Sr. High School Asst. Principal (on behalf of grades 7-12) reported:

- Several Awards were given for our recent musical production of “42nd Street”:

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- Excellence in Choreography: Natalie Marino
- Excellence in Direction: Tim Berardi
- Meritorious Achievement in Acting to:
Maggie Shepard as Peggy Sawyer

- Excellence in Vocal Direction to: Christopher J. van Leeuwen
- Meritorious Achievement in Physicality to: Michael Aini
- Boston Choir Competition 2017 Awards:
 - Senior High Choir: Festival of Gold Invitation- Gold
 - Women’s Choir: Festival of Gold Invitation- Gold
 - Jazz Choir: Gold- unopposed
 - Chamber Choir: Gold- unopposed
 - Maestro Award: Natalie Marino- This was 1 of 6 awards given out of 21 solo acts
 - Ovation Award: Jeremiah Cooper- This was the only award of its kind given out this past weekend among 600+ students
- Had 50 National Honor Society Inductees
- National Technical Honor Society Inductees:
 - Building Construction: Zachery Long
 - Cosmetology: Heather Corcoran
 - Criminal Justice: Mason Bess
Bailey Gibbs
Josh Sanford
 - Culinary Arts: Taylor Plank
 - Digital Media Arts: Jaylynn Bacon
Bethani Ormsby
 - Heavy Equipment: Zachary Dieter
 - New Visions Medical: Heather Hickok
Grace Smith
Kristin Talbot
 - Nurse Assisting: Kathryn Harrick
- Molly Kennedy Presentation: “Creating the Champion Within” was presented to our Grades 9-12 students on March 30.
- HS March Students of the Month:
 - Gr. 7-8: Jane Spitunik
 - Gr. 9-10: Sophia Carretto
 - Gr. 11-12: Ben Kemnitzer
- DECA Club Attended the State Career Conference in Rochester: Participants included Kyle Colucci, Tyler Green, Pace Hooker and Alex Nelson.
 - Kyle Colucci: Placed top 10 in Principles of Hospitality and Tourism
 - Pace Hooker: Placed top 10 in Business Marketing
- Wildwood BOCES Skills USA Award Winners:
 - Reagan Howell: Cosmetology, 1st place
 - Morgan Brungard: Cosmetology Esthetics, 1st place

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- Shakeem Jackson and Collin Lewis: CISCO Quiz Bowl, 1st place

The Board thanked the administrators for sharing these accomplishments.

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Wyant reported:

- We are starting a “Summer Learning Academy” in conjunction with the Hornell YMCA. It will be for students in grades K-8 and will run from July 10 – August 10, 2017 from 7:30 AM – 12.30 PM. It will provide instruction in Literacy, Math and Enrichment to 160 student. They will be served breakfast and lunch and will receive transportation to and from. Applicaitons will be available for those interested.
- The District's Active Shooter Drill was very informative and provided excellent insight to adjustments in our protocols
- The State Budget is getting closer to settling. We appear to be pretty safe with the budget that has been prepared. Legislators are still pushing for additional funding.

PRESENTATIONS

Julie Smith, Asst. Jr High Principal and Nancy Shedlock, School Psychologist presented the Board with a PowerPoint handout which provided summary of the DASA (Dignity for All Students Act) Committee's work and outlined the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) program:

- Reviewed the Primary and Secondary Goals of the DASA Committee
- Identified priorities as Transgender Protocols, Implementation of PBIS and Diversity Appreciation
- All buildings are preparing for a rollout of PBIS in the Fall of 2017 with Respectful, Responsible and Safe as the behavioral expectations with the motto: “Red Raider Strong”

The Board offered some suggestions:

- Including some student empowerment pieces
- “Youth Court” that has had very positive feedback from the Horseheads District
- Letting student leaders in grades 9-12 help with the Summer Academy – would tie into getting students interested in a career in teaching

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 March 1 & 22, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Claims Auditor/Warrant Report for the period ending February 28, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Treasurer's Reports for the period ending February 28, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Student Activities Reports of February 28, 2017.
- Acceptance of the GF Budget Transfer Report for the period ending February 28, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Cafeteria Budget Transfer Report for the period ending February 28, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Appropriations Report for the period ending February 28, 2017.
- Acceptance of the Revenue Report for the period ending February 28, 2017.

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- 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 February 28, 2017, March 1, 2, 9, 16, 17, 21, 23, 27 and 30, 2017. The Committee on Preschool Special Education meetings of March 2 and 28, 2017 and the 504 Meetings of March 1, 2, 16, 22 and 23, 2017.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

POLICY/PROCEDURE

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, agenda items VI E 1 a-e be grouped together for one action.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board:

- authorizes Patrick Flaitz to dispose of the miscellaneous items on the list dated March 28, 2017.
- approves the proposed calendar for the 2017-18 school year.
- approves the proposed payroll calendar for the 2017-18 school year.
- approves the application of Alfred-Almond Central School for one students to participate as an “Incomplete Team” with the Girls Varsity Swim team for the 2017-18 school year, pending the approval of Section V.
- upon the recommendation of the Audit Committee, accepts the Facilities and Maintenance Internal Audit Report of the 2016-17 Fiscal Year and furthermore approves the corrective action plan.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: **Whereas**, Foundation Aid was established in 2007 in order to help provide a sound basic education to all students; and

Whereas, the Foundation Aid formula has not been fully-funded since 2009; and

Whereas, New York State is underfunding Foundation Aid by more than \$4 billion; and

Whereas, school districts have been left without a school funding system that accurately reflects changes in enrollment, student need and district wealth; and

Whereas, such a proposal would make permanent the underfunding of Foundation Aid that impacts hundreds of districts statewide; and

Whereas, school districts deserve a funding system that provides adequacy, equity, flexibility, predictability and clarity;

Therefore, be it resolved, that this Board of Education calls on the State Assembly and State Senate to reject the proposed repeal of the Foundation Aid formula and instead commit to full-funding of the formula over the next three years.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

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BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approves the transfer of the following historical items:

To the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School:

- One 1915 Canisteo Academy Commencement Program
- One Post Card of Canisteo, NY
- One 1934 Canisteo Academy Kanistean Yearbook

To the City of Hornell Historian:

- One Hornellsville Fire Department Scrapbook from July 1, 1896 through December 31, 2007.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board approve the following resolution to be added to the official ballot for the Annual Election / Budget Vote as Proposition # 5 to be voted on by the qualified voters of the City School District of the City of Hornell, New York at the Annual Budget Vote/Board Member Election on May 16, 2017:

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

RESOLVED that, the Board of Education of the Hornell City School District is hereby authorized to renew the “Capital Improvements and Transportation Reserve Fund” that was established by a vote of the qualified voters of the Hornell City School District on May 15, 2007 pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law of the State of New York (the “Fund”). The Fund will now be known as the Capital Improvements Reserve Fund of 2017; the Fund shall be renewed for the purpose of funding the construction, reconstruction, addition to, renovation, alteration and improvement of the District’s buildings, facilities, grounds and real property, including the acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection therewith; the ultimate amount of such Fund shall not be greater than \$3,000,000 plus interest thereon; that the probable term of such Fund to be not longer than 10 years; and that the source of the monies for the Fund shall be (a) the unappropriated fund balance of the District (b) State Aid received as reimbursement for expenditures by the District in connection with capital improvement expenditures from the Fund, and (c) such other sources as the Board or voters of the District may direct from time to time, be approved?

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

FINANCE:

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, agenda items VI E 2 a-h be grouped together for one action.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board:

- approves the lease agreement with ProAction for the UPK Classrooms for June 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017.
- approves the UPK Relationship agreement with ProAction for June 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017.
- approves the MOUs with ProAction for the Steuben Family Enrichment Collaborative

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and the Hornell City School District Hornell Area Resource Center for May 1, 2017– June 30, 2017 & July 1, 2017–July 1, 2018.

- approves the agreement with the Steuben County Board of Elections for the use of one optical scanner voting machine for the day of our election/budget vote.
- approves an increase in the pay to our election inspectors from \$75 to \$100 for the day of the election/budget vote.
- approves the appointment of Daniel Lee as our on call optical scanner technician at a rate of \$100 for the day of the election/budget vote.
- approves a one year renewal of the contract for School Physician Services for the 2017/18 school year with Virdee Medical, PLLC for \$11,000.
- approve the Scope of Work of Hunt Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, PC for the Capital Outlay Project dated March 29, 2017.

CARRIED – 7 AYES - ALL

PERSONNEL:

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, agenda items VI E 3 a-j be grouped together for one action.

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Wyant, the Board:

- accepts the resignation of Shelly Eymer as Food Service Helper effective March 24, 2017.
- approve the 26 week probationary appointment of Nicole Allen as Food Service Helper, 10 months, 3.75 hours per day at the rate specified in the HESSA contract, effective April 6, 2017.
- approves the 26 week probationary appointment of Lisa Smith as Senior Typist, 11 months, 7.5 hours per day at the rate specified in the HPA contract, effective April 6, 2017.
- approves the permanent appointment of Dustin Peterson as School Bus Driver effective October 6, 2016.
- approves the permanent appointment of Nicholas Gallicchio as Teacher Aide effective October 11, 2016.
- approves the change of appointment of Sally Mehlenbacher from 3.75 hours per day to 7.0 hours per day (10 months) effective April 6, 2017
- accepts the resignation of Morgan Allison as History Club advisor for the remainder of the 2016/17 school year effective March 28, 2017.
- approves the following advisor appointment for the 2016/17 school year (retroactive to September 1, 2016):
 - Toni Nasca Class of 2022
- appoints the following Administrative Staff as Lead Evaluators for APPR:
 - Richard Dunham, Intermediate School Assistant Principal
 - Julie Smith, Jr. High School Assistant Principal
 - Adam Porter, High School Assistant Principal
- 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:**

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Substitute Additions:

John Hollister- Laborer

Jeanne Shawahin- Uncertified Teacher

Jon Smith- Laborer

Jason Swarts- Laborer

Erica Torrey- Teacher Aide

Cassie Widener- Teacher Aide, Certified Teacher(SWD, SS)

INFORMATIONAL:

There will be a Special Meeting / Budget Workshop on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 5:15 PM in the Columbian School Conference Room.

The Public Budget Hearing will take place on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Columbian School Conference Room and will be immediately followed by the next regular meeting of the Board of Education.

BY: DELANY/DAVIS

RESOLVED: that at 5:59 PM the Board move to Executive Session to discuss the upcoming tenure appointments of particular individuals and to discuss contract interpretation. The Board invited Denise Smith, HEA Vice President and Susan Greenthal, HEA President to join them and asked Superintendent Wyant to not be present during the contract interpretation segment..

CARRIED – 7 AYES - ALL

BY: HESS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that at 7:20 PM the Board return to Regular Session..

CARRIED – 7 AYES – ALL

BY: DAVIS/DELANY

RESOLVED: that at 7:21 PM the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED – 7 AYES - ALL

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Eaton, District Clerk