

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
Board Room
January 16, 2019

Present: Mr. Ryan Bombard, President
Mrs. Tamara Booser, Member (arrived at 6:04)
Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member
Mr. Shane Mills, Vice-President
Mrs. Cathi Root, Member
Mrs. Maureen Zorn, Member
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Member

Adm./Others: Dr. David Hamilton, Superintendent
Mr. Willard Cook, Principal
Mrs. LuEllen Hoyt, Principal
Mrs. Kathleen Keene, Principal
Mr. Joshua Roe, Principal
Mrs. Diane Tavelli,
Mrs. Jill Reese, Clerk

Others: Mr. David Keene (arrived at 6:56)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bombard called the regular meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. in the Board Room.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve Board Minutes dated January 2, 2019 for the Regular Meeting at presented.

Mrs. Booser arrived.

5. REPORTS

Legislative – Mrs. Zwierlein shared via email with the Board positions recently adopted by the NYS School Board Association; Joint Dinner will be held on 1/23; Legislative Breakfast will be held on 2/1.

Health Trust Consortium – NTR

Workers' Compensation Alliance – NTR

Other Board Comments – NTR

Mr. Cook

2nd round of Winter sports have started in the Middle School; National Geographic club is starting up; on February 1, 2019 the Architectural Awareness Club will compete at Newark Valley School District.

Mr. Roe

They have been meeting with all Freshman recently; pilot program for Sophomores to begin using Chromebooks will start on January 28; Quiz team is competing on January 26; Wrestling team recently won a Section IV title; and HS Drama will perform the play, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," on January 25th and 26th.

Mrs. Tavelli – NTR

Mrs. Keene

Pre-kindergarteners are back from the holiday break and eager to learn

Mrs. Hoyt

Elementary students will get to see a preview of the drama production next week; they are busy practicing for their upcoming NYS ELA and Math tests.

Dr. Hamilton

Financial

On February 6th we will have our first budget presentation. We will begin with a look at our projected revenues (federal aid, state aid, PILOT payments, local tax levy, and other revenues). The format will be the same as last year with some minor tweaks we are working on to align the quarterly report categories and budget development categories. Kendra will be at the meeting to help with the revenue presentation and also give the quarterly financial report using our new "stoplight" format.

Capital Project Phase I

We are targeting January 25th for completion of all contracted work. During February, contractors will do any missing or deficient work from the punch list developed jointly with our staff and the architects. The only exception is some exterior work such as the wall finishes on the HS entrance that will be completed in late spring weather permitting. Our plan is finish all the necessary paperwork to submit the project to the state education department (SED) so we can begin receiving our building aid starting in the 2019-20 school year budget. It is important to note that Tioga Central's building aid ratio is nearly 90%! That means our reserve fund pays only 10 cents on the dollar for all construction, technology, and new furniture purchased under a capital project! This is why we have worked to do a complete top to bottom renovation of any spaces allowable within the SED project scope so we can maximize our state aid.

Capital Outlay Project

This week we received SED approval for our annual \$100,000 Capital Outlay Project included in the general budget. The focus of this next project will be new LED lighting in hallways and

classrooms. These new fixtures are much more energy efficient and far easier to maintain saving us both time AND money! This project should be going out to bid soon which will put us on schedule to start work in July or August.

Literacy Initiative

Elementary teachers will be at our February 6th Board Meeting to give an introduction and progress report on the Fountas and Pinnell literacy program. This will be a great opportunity for the board to learn more about leveled literacy and the ways in which helps our students become strong readers and writers!

Curriculum Work

The curriculum work our teachers shared during the December 19th Board Meeting is continuing on schedule. On Friday, January 18th we will be closed for curriculum work in the morning and parent/teacher conferences in the afternoon. The focus for our ELA & Social Studies teachers will be on reviewing the performance tasks created by the program committees and then working on year-by-year unit maps aligned with those tasks. Science and Math will continue their cross-curriculum work on the timing and method of certain shared concepts. Encore teachers (i.e. Spanish, Tech, Art, Music, PE/Health) will begin the Program Committee process with an overview of how to prioritize state standards and build them into high quality performance tasks.

Additionally

The Governor's proposed budget was delivered yesterday; Tioga Downs pilot payments are ramping up; Capital Outlay pre-bid meeting will be 1/23 and bids are due on 2/1; Friday we will be testing the new PA and fire alarm systems.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to rescind prior policies 5681 through 5741 in full and adopt the newly proposed policies 5681 through 5741.

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Maureen Zorn, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to review policies 5633 & 6110 through 6180 for any possible amendments and to place them on the February 6, 2019 meeting agenda for adoption.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve June 29, 2019 as the date of the 2019 Senior Class Graduation Ceremony.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Cathi Root, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve modification of the March 20, 2019 Board Meeting to include a workshop/retreat.

7. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve *Consent Agenda* item 7A as follows:

Approval of December 2018 Claims Auditor Report.

8. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Maureen Zorn, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve *Personnel Agenda* items A-H as follows:

Approval of the following probationary appointment:

Name of Appointee: Doug Graham
Civil Service Position: Head Driver
Start Date: January 17, 2019
Probationary period: January 17, 2019 – September 26, 2019

Approval of the following probationary appointment:

Name of Appointee: Justin Williams
Civil Service Position: Mechanic / Driver
Start Date: March 4, 2019
Probationary period: March 4, 2019 – March 4, 2020

Approval of the following permanent appointment:

Name of Appointee: Kimberly Burgert
Civil Service Position: School Nurse
Probationary Period Ends: January 18, 2019
Permanent Appointment Date: January 22, 2019

Approval of the following permanent appointment:

Name of Appointee: Lisa Sherwood
Civil Service Position: Bus Driver
Probationary Period Ends: January 18, 2019
Permanent Appointment Date: January 22, 2019

Approval of the following permanent appointment:

Name of Appointee: Lauren Luvison
Civil Service Position: Monitor
Probationary Period Ends: January 18, 2019
Permanent Appointment Date: January 22, 2019

Approval of the following permanent appointment:

Name of Appointee: Kimberly Mayfield
Civil Service Position: Food Service Helper
Probationary Period Ends: January 18, 2019
Permanent Appointment Date: January 22, 2019

Approval of the letter received from Becky Kerstetter requesting an unpaid leave under the FMLA beginning on February 5, 2019 through approximately March 15, 2019.

Approval of the following additions to the substitute lists:

Brooke Rossi – Support Staff
Samuel Burns – Instructional Staff
Marissa Potter – Support Staff

9. CSE/CPSE/504 RECOMMENDATIONS

A motion was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Cathi Root, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the CSE/CPSE/504 recommendations as presented.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Maureen Zorn, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to recess for Executive Session at 6:56 p.m.

Mr. Keene arrived; Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Hoyt, Mrs. Keene, Mrs. Tavelli, and Mr. Cook left at 6:56 pm

Mr. Keene and Mr. Roe left at 7:43 pm

A motion was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to return to regular session at 8:15 p.m.

11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Jill Reese
District Clerk