### **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Regular Meeting Administration Building September 2, 2015

Present: Mr. Kenneth Cook, President

Mr. Shane Mills, Member, Vice-President

Mr. David Mumbulo, Member Mr. Dana Richter, Member Mr. Jason Bellis, Member Mr. Ryan Bombard, Member Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Member

Adm./Others: Mr. Scot Taylor, Superintendent

Mr. Willard Cook, MS Principal

Mrs. LuEllen Hoyt, CSE/CPSE Chair (arrived at 6:08 p.m.)

Mrs. Jill Reese, District Clerk

Absent: Mr. Joshua Roe, HS Principal

Mrs. Kathleen Keene, TES Principal

Others: Amanda Renks, Morning Times

Barb Crannell, Susan Harnett, Lynn Klossner, Mrs. Ayers

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Cook called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration Building.

# II. ROLL CALL

### III. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

Ms. Harnett had some budgetary concerns which included new staffing and teacher salary questions for the upcoming year. Mr. Taylor answered the staffing questions and informed Mrs. Harnett that the teachers had a contract that was not up for negotiation until Spring of 2017.

Ms. Crannell was inquiring about the status of the petition to redistrict the Nichols area. She would like the Board to revisit and make a formal resolution regarding this matter. The Board agreed to look into it further.

Mrs. Klossner wondered if Board Member's contact information could be added to the website, (i.e. telephone, address, email), so that they were more assessable to the public for questions. Members agreed that they would rather not have their information on the website but have no qualms about talking to the public. If contact with a Member is needed, you may call the Administration Building and a message will be delivered to the Members or you may see them at any Board meeting on the 1st or 3rd Wednesday of each month. Mrs. Klossner also added that Tioga's website had very little information available and should be better maintained.

# IV. CORRESPONDENCE

### V. REPORTS

There was nothing to report on Legislative, Health Trust or Workers' Compensation.

Mr. W. Cook mentioned that scheduling was done in the Middle School and they are getting ready for school to begin.

Mr. Taylor told the Board that Mrs. Keene and Mr. Roe were not at the meeting as they are involved with UPK, Kindergarten and Freshman Orientation tonight.

Mr. Taylor also talked about the Campaign for Fiscal Equity and that it is being brought back to the table, this is a positive item for school districts. State test results have been reviewed, there are positive areas and some areas that need a little work. Mrs. Keene and Mr. Cook have looked at the results and can plan on the work that needs to be done. Mr. Taylor also mentioned that the graduation rate is 92.7% which is slightly above last year's rate. Again, good, but still room to improve.

### VI. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by JB, seconded by SM and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the Board Minutes dated August 26, 2015 for the Regular Meeting as presented.

### VII. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by SM, seconded by DR and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the following:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts and approves the donation of \$1,917.92, check #1708 from the Tioga Central Booster Club for the purchase of a 5-way neck machine.

A MOTION was made by RB, seconded by PZ and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the July 2015 Extra Classroom Report as presented.

Mr. Taylor went over his budget projections to keep the district out of the red for the next four years. These projections are based on many assumptions and will change as information becomes available. Many factors come into play, such as state aid, transportation requirements, utilities, enrollment changes, etc.

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Taylor discussed the Building Condition Survey which is currently in draft form. The State does require the survey to be prioritized, finalized and submitted to them in October.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by JB, seconded by RB and carried by a vote of 7-0 to authorize the Board President to sign the Certificate of Acceptance form required by SED. This form acknowledges acceptance of the Free and Reduced Price Meal or Special Milk Program Policy Statement.

### X. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A MOTION was made by JB, seconded by SM and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve a change in hours for Arlene Alexander, bus driver. Arlene's hours will decrease from 7 to 3 per day due to no PM BOCES run this year.

A MOTION was made by PZ, seconded by JB and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve Lisa Mosher as a student teacher in Mrs. Schultheis' UPK classroom for 15 weeks beginning in September.

Mr. Ken Cook declared a short recess at 7:08 p.m.

Ms. Renks, Ms. Crannell, Ms. Harnett, Mrs. Klossner, Mrs. Ayers, and

Mr. W. Cook all left at this time.

# **XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A MOTION was made by JB, seconded by PZ and carried by a vote of 7-0 to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel and CSE matters.

A MOTION was made by JB, seconded by RB and carried by a vote of 7-0 to return to Regular Session at 7:43 p.m.

### XII. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by JB, seconded by PZ and carried by a vote of 7-0 to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Jill Reese District Clerk