

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
Regular Meeting  
Administration Building  
December 20, 2017

Present: Mr. Ryan Bombard, President  
Mr. Shane Mills, Vice-President  
Mr. Jason Bellis, Member (arrived at 6:40)  
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Member  
Mrs. Maureen Zorn, Member  
Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member  
Mrs. Cathi Root, Member

Adm./Others: Mr. Scot Taylor, Superintendent  
Mrs. Kathleen Keene, TES UPK-K Principal  
Mrs. LuEllen Hoyt, TES 1-4 Principal  
Mr. Joshua Roe, HS Principal  
Mrs. Jill Reese, Clerk

Others: Mr. Matt Freeze, Morning Times

Absent: Mr. Willard Cook, MS Principal

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC**

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Bombard read a thank you card received from the Cady Library.

**V. REPORTS**

There was nothing to report for Legislative or Health Trust and Mr. Bombard stated that Workers' Compensation numbers still look good.

Mr. Roe reported that 5-week reports went home Monday; there was a little bit of a drop in grades but that is not uncommon for this time of year. Gifts & food baskets have been delivered to approximately 30 families in need. A hand out was distributed to the Board regarding regents and graduation data. Mr. Roe went over the regent's results and Mr. Taylor discussed graduation rate, pupil expenditures and post graduate plans.

Mrs. Hoyt stated that 5-week reports went out Monday and everyone is in the Christmas spirit. They are working on getting the backpack program ready for the holiday break; Elementary concerts were great today, there was additional time allotted for photo opportunities during the programs. Tomorrow there will be Christmas parties and Friday they will show a movie. Mrs. Zorn wanted everyone to know that she has heard a lot of positive comments regarding PBIS.

Mrs. Keene commented that Kindergarten had their centers on Monday with the 4<sup>th</sup> graders helping out. Also on Monday was Ag in the classroom, students made gingerbread playdough and Cornell brought in and discussed the different animal skulls they have.

Mr. Bellis arrived.

**VI. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the Board Minutes dated December 6, 2017, for the Regular Meeting as presented.

**VII. FINANCIAL**

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the November 2017 Extraclassroom Report, the November 2017 Claims Auditor Report, and the September 2017 Financial Report as presented.

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept, approve, and authorize signatures of the contract agreement for the 2017/18 Capital Outlay Project. The contract is for \$40,900.

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept, approve, and authorize signatures on change order EC-001 in the amount of \$18,241.16 for the 2017/18 Capital Outlay Project. The new contract amount is \$59,141.16.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Cathi Root, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the payout for Superintendent Scot Taylor's remaining sick and vacation days totaling approximately 187 sick and 26 vacation days.

A MOTION was made by Shane Mills, seconded by Jason Bellis, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the only proposal received for independent audit services from Inserco & Co.

#### **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

First reading of the revision to Policy 7560 – Non-Discrimination Policy was completed. Second reading will be completed on January 3, 2018.

#### **X. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

A MOTION was made by Shane Mills, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury and carried by a vote of 6-0, Mr. Bellis abstained, to accept and approve the letter of retirement and request for payment of any unused sick days that may remain at the time of retirement, received from William Schwenk, Building Maintenance Mechanic, effective May 8, 2018.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Jason Bellis and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the following retro appointment:

*RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tioga Central School District, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Rules and Regulations of the*

*Civil Service Law and upon the recommendation of Scot E. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Renee Wainwright of 1256 Halsey Valley Road, Barton, NY 13734, to the 12 month position of Office Specialist I, effective December 18, 2017, for a probationary period of 8 weeks, to commence on December 18, 2017 and to expire February 21, 2018. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Renee will be paid an hourly rate of \$14.30.*

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Jason Bellis, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the following resolution:

*RESOLVED, that the school attorney is directed to enter into contract negotiations with the finalist and the finalist's representatives for an agreement commencing January 1, 2018.*

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Maureen Zorn, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the following resolution:

*RESOLVED, Allen D. Buyck, District Superintendent, shall serve as interim Superintendent without charge from January 1, 2018 until such time as the Board and the selected finalist have reached agreement on an employment contract.*

The letter of resignation was tabled at this time.

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to accept and approve the letter received from Kathy Cole, Custodial Worker, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from December 18, 2017 through February 8, 2018.

Mr. Bombard declared a short break at 7:10 p.m., Mr. Freeze left at this time.

## **XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to move into Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. to discuss personnel and CSE matters.

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Cathi Root and carried by a vote of 7-0 to reconvene into Regular Session at 7:49 p.m.

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Shane Mills, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve the letter of resignation received from Willard Cook, Athletic Supervisor, as written, effective January 1, 2018.

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Cathi Root, and carried by a vote of 7-0 to move back into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss Superintendent finalist matters.

Mrs. Hoyt, Mrs. Keene, Mr. Roe, and Mr. Taylor all left at this time.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

A MOTION was made by Jason Bellis, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury and carried by a vote of 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Jill Reese  
District Clerk