

BOARD OF EDUCATION
HIGHLIGHTS of MEETING HELD – October 28, 2014
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: at 7:00 P.M. at Franklin Academy High School, Huskie Lane, Malone.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Arlie Collins, Christine Crossman-Dumas, Stephen J. Dupree, Philip Hans, Donna Kissane, David LaPlant, Edward Lockwood

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wayne Rogers, Carol Hunter

MEMBERS TARDY: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Timothy P. Whipple, District Clerk/Business Administrator, Jerry Griffin, Superintendent, Nate Hathaway (MFT) Brianne Iby (MFT), Melissa Brown, (MFT) Jason Black (CSEA) and many students.

PLEDGE TO FLAG: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-President Collins.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: was entered into at 7:01 P.M. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters as they relate to specific individuals and contractual matters.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: at 7:38 P.M.

BUSINESS MATTERS:

AGENDA for 10/28/14 was adopted as presented.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held 10/14/14 were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: for the period ending 9/30/14 were accepted as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: for the period 9/30/14 was accepted as presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT: for the 2014-2015 school year which was completed by Seyfarth & Seyfarth CPA's of Malone, was accepted as presented.

APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES: was approved as presented.

MALONE MINIOR HOCKEY AGREEMENT 2014-2015: was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF FLANDERS LOCAL ASSISTANCE PLAN: was approved as presented.

CANCELATION OF 11/11/14 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING: was canceled due to Veterans Day.

SPORTS MERGER WITH BMCS: in the sport of Ice Hockey for the 2014-15 school year was approved as presented.

ADDITIONAL MATTERS:

BOARD REPORTS: Mrs. Crossman-Dumas reported that the girls' modified swim team had an undefeated season and offered her congratulations. Vice President Collins turned the floor over to Mr. Griffin who recognized Board of Education members for their service in honor of School Board of Education Recognition Week. He spoke about his appreciation for their volunteer service, thoughtful decisions and various backgrounds that they bring to the district. He and Mr. Whipple handed out certificates of appreciation to each member, as well as a gift (embroidered Huskie blanket) from the Malone Administrators, Mr. Griffin and Mr. Whipple. Nate Hathaway, representing the Malone Federation of Teachers (MFT), also spoke and recognized Board Members on their service to the district. Each member was presented with an apple pie on behalf of MFT members. Mr. Collins wished all Franklin Academy athletic team's success in the upcoming playoff season and finished his remarks with "Go Huskies".

PREVENTION NEEDS SURVEY RESULTS PRESENTATION: Lisa Lawrence and Tracy Gravell, as well as student representatives, presented the board with results of a prevention needs survey that was given to students in 8th, 10th and 12th grade on their choices with the use of alcohol, smoking, chewing tobacco and marijuana over the past thirty (30) days. The data collected was compared to the same data from 2008. All areas of use were reported lower as compared to 2008 except for marijuana and chewing tobacco use amongst 12th graders, which were slightly higher. The survey also focused on the social/emotional health of students. The group presented data that suggested that students generally thought school was important in the attainment of knowledge for career preparation. Survey results also showed a high percentage of students believe there are many activities available for their participation during their school careers.

CONSENT AGENDA: for **PERSONNEL MATTERS** was approved as follows:

Instructional Staff:

WINTER COACHING APPOINTMENTS: were made to Ryan Lamica (Boys' Mod. Basketball Head Coach), Stephanie Marsh (Boys' Mod. Basketball Asst. Coach), Michael Botto (Varsity Wrestling), Willis Pfaff (Modified Wrestling), Jim Heden (Volunteer-Indoor Track), Jay Perras, (Volunteer-Boys' Ice Hockey).

ELEMENTARY TEACHER APPONTMENT: was made to Elizabeth Richards, effective 12/1/14.

Support Staff:

SUBSTITUTES: Robert Taylor (Bus Driver), effective 11/3/14, Roger Welsh (Bus Driver), effective 11/3/14.

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Melissa Smith (Teaching Assistant), effective 10/29/14-10/28/17.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION:

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS: were approved as presented.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:13 P.M.

Timothy P. Whipple
District Clerk/Board of Education
10/28/14