

**MALONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MALONE, NEW YORK 12953**  
**MINUTES**

**DATE:** November 14, 2017

**KIND OF MEETING:** Regular Meeting

**LOCATION:** Transportation Facility, Huskie Lane, Malone

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Arlie Collins, Wayne Walbridge, Wayne Rogers, Penny Gardner, Philip Hans, Christine Crossman-Dumas, Stephen J. Dupree

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Edward Lockwood, Donna Kissane

**MEMBERS TARDY:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jerry Griffin, Superintendent of Schools, Bryn Fefee, District Clerk, Brandon Pelkey, Brianne Iby (MFT), Melissa Brown (MFT), Danielle Keating, Jeffrey Soper, Lily Ianaconi, Steffany Perham, Cathleen Bonville and several government students.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Collins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

**APPT. OF CLERK PRO-TEM:** President Collins appointed Jerry Griffin as Clerk Pro-Tem for the duration of Executive Session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Upon motion by Wayne Rogers, seconded by Christine Crossman-Dumas; the Board entered Executive Session at 7:01 p.m. for the purpose of:

1) discussing personnel matters as they relate to specific individuals and contract matters, etc. (see Open Meetings Law brochure)

AYES: 7            NAYES: 0, motion carried

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** Upon motion by Wayne Rogers, seconded by Wayne Walbridge; the Board returned to regular session at 7:16 p.m.

AYES: 7            NAYES: 0, motion carried

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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

Upon motion by Philip Hans, seconded by Penny Gardner; the November 14, 2017 agenda was adopted as presented.

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0, motion carried

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES HELD OCTOBER 24, 2017:**

Upon motion by Wayne Walbridge, seconded by Penny Gardner; the minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 24, 2017 were approved. (See supplemental file for copy).

AYES: 5 ABSTAIN: 2, Stephen Dupree  
Christine Crossman-Dumas  
NAYES: 0, motion carried

**DONATION:**

Upon motion by Philip Hans, seconded by Christine Crossman-Dumas; the following donation was accepted "with thanks and gratitude".

1. \$435 from Stewart's Shops for support of the Going Green project.

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0, motion carried

**APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE CALENDAR FOR BUDGET DEVELOPMENT 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR:**

Upon motion by Christine Crossman-Dumas, seconded by Wayne Rogers; the Board approved the Tentative Calendar for Budget Development 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. (See supplemental file for copy.)

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0, motion carried

**APPROVAL OF TAX COLLECTOR'S FINAL REPORT:**

Upon motion by Stephen Dupree, seconded by Christine Crossman-Dumas; the Board approved the Tax Collector's Final Report. (See supplemental file for copy.)

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0, motion carried

**MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION:**

Jeffrey Soper, Music Educator and Zone Representative for Area 6 spoke about the upcoming Area All-State Festival and the NYSSMA Conference in Rochester. He stated there are 1800 music educators, 1200 parents and 900 students selected in one of 8 ensembles. There are over 236 development sessions over 4 days which include Steffany Perham and Cathleen Bonville presenting a drumming session called buckets of fun.

Lily Ianaconi is also presenting on rural, city and suburban settings and how they relate to music education.

The conference features students selected to perform in statewide honor ensembles and this year Haley Gonyea, a 12th grade student,

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has been selected to perform in the Mixed Chorus for the second year in a row. It was noted that this is a huge honor for such a talented and deserving student.

Ms. Ianaconi previously stated that “Malone is a small slice of the New York State pie of music teachers and students, and we are so fortunate and honored to have a student and several faculty members participating at this statewide level. There were several thousand student applicants for these ensembles, and several hundred applications to present at the state conference for teachers.”

### **FRANKLIN ACADEMY STUDENT READING AND MATH PERFORMANCE PRESENTATION:**

Danielle Keating gave an overview of STAR Reading for Franklin Academy. Renaissance STAR is a robust and comprehensive set of services that are intended to be used as a convenient, effective, and flexible diagnostic tool for educators for data driven instruction, when coordinated district-wide. It should be noted that extended time is only granted to students who require it. Renaissance Star recommends that students do not guess but rather time out. Providing an approximate reading level and progress monitoring system, STAR Reading allows teachers to drill down to skills-based standards achievement and facilitates differentiated instruction. Teachers are able to create instructional groups and plan based on anchor standards along with subset skills.

Mr. Hans asked if data can be pulled from other districts. Ms. Keating said that information is confidential.

Ms. Crossman-Dumas asked if scores are typically lower in the fall. Ms. Keating said that kids may show regression in the summer, therefore the fall scores are lower.

Mr. Walbridge asked that based on demographics coupled with student assessments results, what is the determination of the biggest challenges that we face?

Ms. Keating said student residency is transient. She feels the district should invest in more resources before 3rd grade. She feels some of the biggest gains in reading are made before 3rd grade.

Mr. Walbridge said based on demographics in the county there should be some way to work together to target homes before children reach school age.

Ms. Keating stated she is optimistic that our leaders are helping with getting more agencies involved with support.

On another note, literacy volunteers said there is unofficially around a 13% illiteracy rate in Franklin County. Ms. Keating feels strongly about empowering parents to be a support system.

Mr. Griffin thanked Ms. Keating and welcomed her to come back in the spring for an update.

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**BOARD REPORTS:**

Mr. Griffin stated he recently attended a Community Intervention Partnership (CIP) with BOCES, county agencies and districts within Franklin County. He said he would ask District Superintendent Shafer to consider the theme of illiteracy in the homes at an upcoming meeting.

Mr. Norm Pomainville, Math Coordinator and Teacher will be presenting at a future meeting. One of the topics he will discuss will be a geometry question from 10 years ago compared to today.

Mr. Collins noted that Ms. Crossman-Dumas is interested in the open BOCES Board Member role held by Ms. Kissane.

Upon motion by Wayne Rogers, seconded by Philip Hans; the Board nominated Christine Crossman-Dumas to the open BOCES Board Member position. (See supplemental file for copy.)

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0, motion carried

Mr. Collins congratulated all the fall sports teams on very successful seasons.

Mr. Walbridge attended new school board member training in Lake Placid recently and was pleasantly surprised at how much he learned. He stated that NYSSBA is a class outfit. He said he benefited from the training much more than anticipated.

Mr. Dupree stated he was very pleased with how well the recent Chromebook distribution went at the high school. He said it was very well organized.

Mr. Griffin said around 500 parents came to the 1 hour session. He noted that grades 6-8 will have a meeting soon for Chromebook distribution.

Ms. Crossman-Dumas said she was impressed that the students can do their work on the Chromebook and do not need WIFI. She believes it is a great investment for our student's education.

Mr. Dalton showed students how to access google drives without WIFI and did a great job explaining internet safety with Chromebooks. The district purchased go guardian which is a program that allows cloud-based filtering and self-harm alerts to teacher/student chat and screen sharing.

**CONSENT AGENDA-  
(PERSONNEL):**

Upon motion by Wayne Rogers, seconded by Wayne Walbridge; the Board approved the 'Consent Agenda' PERSONNEL items as follows:

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- A) Elementary Teacher Appointment
- B) Coaching Appointments
- C) Support Staff Changes
- D) CSE/CPSE Recommendations

**ELEMENTARY  
TEACHER  
APPOINTMENT:**

Tamara Myatt  
Type of Appointment: Probationary  
Effective: 12/11/2017-12/10/2021  
Area(s) of Certification: PreK-6, Literacy B-6  
Tenure Area: Elementary  
Salary: Entry Level A + 30 Hours

**WINTER COACHING  
APPOINTMENTS:**

Mackenzie Cox	Girls' Basketball	Volunteer
Kevin St. Hilaire	Girls' Ice Hockey	Volunteer
Katelyn Letourneau	Girls' Basketball	Volunteer

**ADJUSTMENT:**

Jerrid Parmeter (Bus Driver), salaried for 4 hours per day; will now be 5 hours per day.

**PERMANENT  
APPOINTMENTS:**

Rachel Roberts (Teacher Aide), Elizabeth Sauve (Teacher Aide), Alicia Tucker (Teacher Aide) effective 11/15/17.

**TRANSFERS:**

Stephen Oakes (Custodian) from Transportation Facility to Davis, Mark Trombley (Custodian) from Flanders to Middle School effective 11/13/17.

**RESIGNATIONS:**

Gabriel DeCoteau (Custodian), Keely Tavernia (Teacher Aide) effective 10/24/17.

**RETIREMENT:**

Francis Tavernia (Bus Driver) effective 11/3/17.

**CSE/CPSE  
RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The CSE/CPSE recommendations were approved as presented. (See supplemental file).

AYES: 7                      NAYES: 0, motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Upon motion by Philip Hans, seconded by Christine Crossman-Dumas; the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

AYES: 7                      NAYES: 0, motion carried

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:**

Budget transfers were available for review.

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Clerk Pro-Tem for  
Executive Session

Bryn M. Fefee  
District Clerk  
Board of Education