

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**HIGHLIGHTS of MEETING HELD – June 9, 2015**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

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

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**MEMBERS TARDY:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Timothy P. Whipple, District Clerk/Business Administrator, Jerry Griffin, Superintendent, Brandon Pelkey, F.A. Principal, Nate Hathaway (MFT), Suanne Tatro, Melissa Smith, Kim Reilly, EJ Conzola and many students.

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

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

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** at 7:25 P.M.

**BUSINESS MATTERS:**

AGENDA for 6/9/15 was adopted.

MINUTES of the Budget Hearing/Regular Meeting held 5/12/15 were approved as amended.

MINUTES of the Annual Budget Vote/Election held 5/19/15 were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: for the period ending 4/30/15 were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: for the period ending 4/30/15 was accepted as presented.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

ANNUAL REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING DATE: was set for Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Franklin Academy Library Media Center.

ANNUAL RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN COOPERATIVE BIDDING: for the 2015-2016 school year was approved as presented.

EXTENSION OF SUPERINTENDENT'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT: for the period of 7/1/17 -6/30/19 was approved as presented.

EXTENSION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT: for the period of 7/1/17 -6/30/18 was approved as presented.

MANAGERIAL/CONFIDENTIAL ADJUSTMENTS TO 2015-2016 COMPENSATION AGREEMENTS: were approved as presented.

VISION SERVICES CONTRACT FOR 2015-2016: was approved for David Conaway at \$35.00 per hour.

ORIENTATION & MOBILITY SPECIALIST CONTRACT FOR 2015-2016: was approved for Kelly Henderson (Freedomtravel) at \$140 per hour.

BEHAVIOR SPECIALIST CONTRACT FOR 2015-2016: was approved for Alison Parent at \$80 per hour.

BOCES LEASE: for the 2015-2016 school year for the lease of one room at Franklin Academy High School was approved as presented.

ADIRONDACK TEACHER CENTER LEASE: for the 2015-2016 school year for the lease of one room at Franklin Academy High School was approved as presented.

**ADDITIONAL MATTERS:**

BOARD REPORTS: Mr. Collins said he attended the academic awards ceremony on June 8<sup>th</sup> and wanted to congratulate the graduating seniors and mentioned it was a nice event. Mr. Rogers added the awards night is a reminder of the significant community support that the school district receives.

BOARD REPORTS Cont'd: Mrs. Crossman-Dumas congratulated Mr. Soper and the band members for receiving gold at the recent NYSSMA competition.

Mr. Rogers wanted to make the board aware of the significant shift in the composition of the students throughout the state. He mentioned that NYS students are made up of 53.1% minority students, while 52% of the entire student enrollment are classified as economically disadvantaged, with 8.2% classified as having limited English proficiency. His comments are meant to highlight the fact that we are attempting to educate a highly diverse student population.

Mr. Rogers also made the board aware of the recent State Education Department review that took place. Mr. Griffin informed board members that because of the focus status of Franklin Academy High School, the district as a whole was reviewed by state officials in an attempt to make recommendations for areas of improvement. The SED officials interviewed many school employees and stakeholder groups over the course of two days. A debriefing report was left with Mr. Griffin at the conclusion of the review and a final report will be available in approximately eight weeks. The district will be required to develop a district comprehensive improvement plan based on the findings for the 2015-2016 school year.

**CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE:** Mr. Whipple reviewed the current status of the transportation facility project, as well as the site work associated with the demolition of the Harison building complex. He explained that the NYS Education Department has reviewed the plans and are very close to granting a building permit that will allow work to begin. The tentative timeline is as follows:

July 2, 2015 –District receives bids from contractors

July 14, 2015 –Tentative date for the Board of Education to award contracts to low bidders

August 3, 2015 –Tentative date for work to commence

Mr. Whipple explained that some building materials from the College Avenue structures will be made available for community members to take for their own use. District officials and members of the construction management team are developing a process where materials will be placed in a secure location and community members can come on a designated day to take those materials. The district will require those individuals who request building materials and artifacts to complete a liability waiver. Mr. Griffin added that the district's website will be the main source of information about the project for community members.

**SPEECH AND DEBATE PRESENTATION:** Kim Reilly, advisor for the Speech and Debate team, as well as Melissa Smith, assistant advisor for the team made a short presentation to the board on the team's recent state and national competition. Mrs. Reilly explained to board members how the team is structured and the different categories within each competition where students compete against each other. Mrs. Reilly thanked the board for their support of the group's participation. The Board was treated to a performance by two students, Madison Crow and Taylor Shanty. The two students competed in the Duo category, where they had to memorize their lines, could not look at each other or touch each other throughout the performance. At the conclusion of their performance the Board gave the duo a standing ovation. Mr. Griffin commented that he was proud of all the students in the group and thanked them for their participation as representatives of Malone CSD. Mr. Hans thanked the two advisors for their time and effort in leading the group.

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

**FALL COACHING APPOINTMENTS:** were made to Greg Marshall (Varsity Football), Cory West (Varsity Football Asst.), Brian Doe (Varsity Football Asst.), Terry Miles (Girls' Varsity Swimming), Jason LaFlesh (JV Football Asst.), Matt Tessier (Boys' Varsity Cross Country), Terry Collins (Girls' Varsity Soccer), Scott Marlow (Girls' JV Soccer), Jim Heden (Girls' Modified Soccer), Michele Thomas (Varsity Volleyball), Amy LaVine (Girls' Modified Swimming), Wade Bush (Boys' J.V. Soccer), Jackie McCarthy (Modified Cross Country), Chris Yaw (Boys' Varsity Soccer)

**EXTENSION OF PROBATIONARY PERIOD:** was approved for Shannon Smith to be extended until September 3, 2016 per signed agreement.

**SUMMER SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS:** were made to Carol Robinson (Special Education Extended Year Coordinator), Lori Buno-Taylor (Sub. Special Education Extended School Year Coordinator), Terry Collins, Steven Gordon, Deborah Swan (Special Education Teachers),

SUMMER SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS Contd: Angela Spahr, Lori Buno-Taylor (Sub. Special Education Teachers), Aimee Campbell, Mary Farmer, Terry Fisher, Andrew Kirkpatrick, Amanda King, Mary McQuinn, Donna Vanier, Ramon Vasquez, Kelli Walbridge (Special Education Support Staff), Sandra Carrigan, Brett Davis (Sub. Support Staff), Beth Randall (Occupational Therapist), Margo Vivlamore (Occupational Therapist Assistant), Tammie Thurston (Licensed Practical Nurse), Timothy Lamay (Temporary Summer School Teacher (Incarcerated Youth Program), Julie Miller, Kaye Santamoor, Christopher VanHouten (School Psychologists) The effective dates of these appointments vary from 7/6/15 through 8/14/15 at various rates.

CO-CURRICULAR/EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS: effective 9/1/15, were made to Darby Turner & Lisa Scarf (Freshman Class Advisors), Diane Crawford & Shawn Turner (Sophomore Class Advisors), Trina Lewis & Tracy Scarf (Junior Class Advisors), George Scoville-Upham, Stephanie Marsh (Senior Class Advisors), Nancy Hart, Maureen Perry, Cecilia Benware (Bus Duty Supervisors-Davis), Darcy LaClair, Carol Robinson (Bus Duty Supervisors, Flanders), Tina Decosse (Bus Duty Supervisor-St. Joes), Danielle Tusa, Melissa Brown, Suanne Tatro, Daniel Tusa (Bus Duty Supervisors-Middle School), Peter Guerin, Donna Vanier (Bus Duty Supervisors-High School), Steven Gordon, Angela Spahr (Drama Advisor FA Shared), Jeffery Soper (Jazz Ensemble), George Scoville-Upham (Swinging Sounds), Kimberly Reilly, Melissa Smith (FA Shared), Wade Bush, Stacy Vincent, Jillian Senter (Model UN), Stephanie Marsh (Driver Training Summer & During School), Alicia Perrigo, Jillian Senter (Student Council-FA), Amy LaVine (Student Council-MS), Alicia Kissane, Laura Rabideau (National Honor Society, FA Shared), Brett Buschbascher, James Heden (Yearbook Advisor, FA Shared), Vanessa O'Connor (Yearbook, Middle School), Alicia Perrigo, Michele Thomas (Detention Supervisor-FA Shared), Mary Haas, Jeanne Culver (Detention Supervisor Middle School, Shared). These positions will receive stipends according to the MFT contract. The following unpaid Club Advisorships were approved: Christine Connolly (Anime Club), Caron Roulston (Art Club), Kristy Thompson (Book Store), Matthew Rogers (Chess Club), John Miletich (Envirothon), Tracy Gravell (FADD/SADD), Laura Rabideau (French Club), Jillian Senter (Junior Humane Society Club), Anne Raville (Phi Sigma), Stacy Vincent (Rotary Interact Club of Malone), Carole Raymonda (Science/Robotics Club), Lisa Crossman, Cynthia Leffler, Alicia Kissane (Spanish Club FA), Corey Hanna (Technology Club), Kathy Onorati-Fakir, Amy LaVine (Travel Club, FA/Middle), Eileen Kilcullen (Varsity), Karyssa Merrihew (Whiz Quiz), Steven Gordon (Malone Middle School Players Club), Kathy Onorati-Fakir, Amy LaVine (Travel Club), Nancy Blais (French Club Middle School).

IT BUILDING LEVEL ASSISTANT APPOINTMENTS: effective 9/1/15 through 6/30/16, were made to Rebecca Fisk (Franklin Academy), Heather Garland (Middle School), Densie St. Denis (Davis), Carol Robinson (Flanders), Donna Hardin (St. Joes). Stipends will be according to the MFT contract.

LITERACY TEACHER APPOINTMENT: was made to Jaime Pelkey, effective 9/1/15 through 8/31/19.

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER APPOINTMENT: was made to Kathleen Gravel, effective 9/1/15 through 8/31/19.

SCHOOL COUNSELOR APPOINTMENTS: were made to Katie McCallister and Morgan McGibbon, effective 9/1/15.

UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE: was granted to Jessica Kelley from her Elementary Teaching position at St. Joe's for the 2015-2016 school year.

ADJUSTMENTS: Kevin McManus, Laurie Coryea, Michael Coryea (Bus Drivers), effective 8/31/15, Michelle Woods, Susan Rogers, Sharon Tavernier (Bus Monitors), effective 8/31/15.

RESIGNATIONS: Mark Sabins (Cleaner), effective 5/21/15, Jonathan Gardner (Teaching Assistant), effective 6/9/15, Terrie Davis (Teacher Aide), effective 6/29/15.

TERMINATION: Timothy Huskins (Clerk), effective 5/19/15.

**ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS: were approved as presented.

STUDENT RELEASES: for the 2014-2015 school year were approved for Kaitlyn Caron (Salmon River Central) and for the 2015-2016 school year were approved for Boone Dermott, Olivia Garwood (BMC) Emily St. Mary, Natalie St. Mary (BMC).

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:25 P.M.

Timothy P. Whipple

District Clerk/Board of Education

6/9/15