

BOARD OF EDUCATION
HIGHLIGHTS of MEETING HELD – July 14, 2015
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: at 7:17 P.M. at Franklin Academy High School, Huskie Lane, Malone

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MEMBERS TARDY: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Timothy P. Whipple, District Clerk/Business Administrator, Jerry Griffin, Superintendent, Brandon Pelkey, Eileen Kilcullen, Suanne Tatro, Melissa Brown, and Despo MacNeil.

BUSINESS MATTERS:

AGENDA for 7/14/15 was adopted.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting held 6/23/15 were approved as presented.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION FOR TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS WHO RECEIVE AN INEFFECTIVE RATING ON APPR: was revised and approved as presented.

MALONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY PLAN: for the 2015-2016 school year was approved as presented.

REVISED CODE OF CONDUCT: was approved as presented.

NY/ISLAND COOPERATIVE BID PROGRAM AGREEMENT: was approved as presented.

BID AWARD FOR NATURAL GAS CONVERSION: to Hyde Stone for the Plumbing Contract (#1) in the amount of \$286,000 and to K&L Plumbing and Heating for the HVAC Contract (#2) in the amount of \$90,000.

QUIT CLAIM DEED: was approved as presented.

ADDITIONAL MATTERS:

DISCUSSION OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS: Debbie and Norm Bonner addressed the board and spoke on a new business venture they have started in the village of Malone. Their company will offer musical instruments for rent to Malone students, as well as other Franklin County school districts. The instruments will be of good quality. Their business will also sell music supplies. The Bonners hope this business gives students and parents a local option and fills a void in this area for local families.

BOARD REPORTS: Mr. Collins complimented Mr. Pelkey on a successful graduation. He mentioned that one student and her father missed the ceremony due to complications with the search for escaped convicts. Mr. Pelkey said that the student and her father arrived just as the ceremony was concluding, but that arrangements were made after to allow the student to walk on the stage to receive her diploma, as well as get pictures taken with the photographer.

Mrs. Kissane acknowledged Steve Gordon, teacher and advisor to the MS and FA players. On behalf of the district he applied for and was awarded a national license for rights to present The Lion King as a production this coming year.

Mr. Rogers reminded board members about the Area 6 School Boards dinner on July 29th at the Malone Golf Club. He also asked Board Members to review their current committee assignments and respond back to him if they would like to request a change of committee for the upcoming year. He hopes to set the committee assignments at the July 28th meeting.

CYBERBULLLYING ASSURANCE POLICY: was reviewed as presented.

POLICY DISCUSSION:

4211 Organizational Chart- The board reviewed the organizational chart. Ms. Hunter asked that a few changes be made in the way some employees appear to be reporting to other employees who are not supervisors. Mr. Rogers suggested a new draft be worked on and the Board can review it at the next meeting and approve.

#7420 Sports and the Athletic Program-Ms. Kilcullen, Athletic Director addressed the board about a policy revision pertaining the selective classification test for 7th and 8th graders who want to play JV and Varsity sports. The test will now be referred to as the Athletic Placement Process for Interschool Athletic Programs (APP). Ms. Kilcullen explained that the new test would be more difficult in her opinion for students to pass, but that they would only have to pass four out of the five components. Mr. Hans asked what the benefit of this change is to students when the goal is to give as many students as possible opportunities to participate in athletics. Ms. Kilcullen responded that the goal is to make sure the health and safety of students is paramount. The ability of the students should align with the level of sport they play, and this exam will more appropriately position a student in a level that will limit the potential injury to that student or other students on the team. Ms. Kilcullen stated that if the board did not pass this new policy 7th and 8th grade students would not be eligible to play JV or Varsity sports. The board voted to waive the second reading of the policy and adopt Policy #7420 Sports and the Athletic Program.

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

ADDITIONAL EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (SUMMER SCHOOL) APPOINTMENTS: were made to Corey Picaro (Substitute Support Staff as needed) and Michele Thomas (Registered Nurse-July 13-August 14, 2015).

ELEMENTARY TEACHER APPOINTMENT: was made to Hilary Eilers, effective 9/1/15 through 8/31/19.

PERMANENT APPOINTMENT: was made to Don Jeror (Cleaner, Middle School) effective 8/3/15.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION:

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS: were approved as presented.

STUDENT RELEASES: for the 2015-2016 were approved for Rein Dibble, Kira Ducote, Nathan Ducote, Matthew Fleury, Katherine Miller, Rebekah Miller, Aleah Simonsen, Mya Simonsen, Faith Strachan (Chateaugay Central School District), Benjamin Schack-Sehlmeyer, Hannah Schack-Sehlmeyer (BMC School District).

EXECUTIVE SESSION: was entered at 8:09 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters as they relate to specific individuals and contract matters.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: at 9:31 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:31 P.M.

Timothy P. Whipple

District Clerk/Board of Education

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