



**Date:** June 25, 2013

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular

**Place:** Homer High School

**Members Present:** Linda Battin, Luke Morenus, Bill Pedrick, David Quinlan, Kim Sharpe, Nicole Sprouse and Martin Sweeney

**Members Absent:** Sonia Apker and Randy Weatherby

**Others Present:** Superintendent Ruscio, Director of Instruction and Evaluation Llewellyn, District Clerk Yacavone, Administrators, Guests

Vice President Sharpe called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

**Executive Session**

Motion by Quinlan, seconded by Morenus, that the Board enter into an executive session at 6:31 PM to discuss personnel/potential staff assignments, negotiations and litigation.

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

Returned from Executive Session at 7:00 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**Vice President's Comments**

- **Remarks-**Mrs. Sharpe welcomed the group and opened the floor to Mr. Pedrick who on behalf of the Central New York School Board Association, honored Linda Battin and Nicole Sprouse for their years of dedicated service to the district.
- **Correspondence-**None provided.
- **Updates to Agenda-**There were no updates to the agenda.

**Community Voices**

None heard.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Sweeney, that the Clerk's minutes of the June 11, 2013 regular meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item A)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Superintendent's Report**

- **Remarks:**
  - Superintendent Ruscio noted that she will be in Albany at the end of the week to attend the Commissioner's Advisory Council meeting.
  - Superintendent Ruscio also highlighted teacher, Caitlin Mack who was recently recognized in Albany for her technology efforts in the classroom.
- **Correspondence:**
  - A brochure from OCM BOCES regarding an Education Law Conference was provided as well as information on the Board of Education Retreat scheduled for July 17, 2013.

**Blue Pride**

- Building Principals updated the group on the closure of the 2012-13 school year and the many, many wonderful events that took place.

**New Business**

**Items Requiring Board Action**

**Reports from the Committee on Pre-school Special Education**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board accept the Reports from the Committee on Pre-school Special Education: (Board Notes Item B)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Reports from the Committee on Special Education**

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Pedrick, that the Board accept the Reports from the Committee on Special Education: (Board Notes Item C)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Budget Transfers**

Motion by Sprouse, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve Budget Transfers greater than \$10,000: (Board Notes Item D)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Equipment for Surplus**

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the equipment for Surplus as identified by Mr. Updyke: (Board Notes Item E)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Vehicles for Surplus**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the Vehicles for Surplus as identified by Mr. Paquette: (Board Notes Item F)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Instruments for Surplus**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board approve the Instrument for Surplus as identified by Mr. DiGennaro: (Board Notes Item G)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Tax Refund**

Motion by Sprouse, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the Tax Refund in the amount of \$545.00 due to the omission of basic STAR: (Board Notes Item H)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**APPR Certification**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Sprouse, that the Board approve APPR Certification: (Board Notes Item I)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Service Agreement with Cayuga Medical Center**

Motion by Battin, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the Agreement between the District and Cayuga Medical Center for Medical Services as amended: (Board Notes Item J)

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

**High School Field Trip Request**

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the Field Trip Request from Mrs. Pratt to take several FFA students to the National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY in October 2013: (Board Notes Item K)

Yes 7 Motion Carried  
No 0

**Personnel**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Battin, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Ruscio, the following personnel items be approved as amended:

Yes 7 Motion Carried  
No 0

**Instructional:**

Accept the letter of resignation for retirement purposes from **Carole Robinson** from her position of Special Education Teacher effective June 30, 2013.

Approve the change in appointment for **Marra Piazza Brass** to a 2 year probationary appointment in the Guidance Counselor Tenure area to begin July 8, 2013, to be completed July 7, 2015 at a salary per contract. Mrs. Brass has Professional Certification in School Counseling (K-12) effective September 2009.

Approve the appointment of **Shannon Tinkham** to the position of Long-term Substitute Teacher for the 2013-14 school year.

Approve the appointment of **Stephanie Spielberger** to the position of Psychology Intern for the 2013-14 school year.

Approve the appointment of **Sandy Prindle** as a 2013 Summer School Substitute Teaching Assistant.

Approve the following **Student Teachers** for the Fall 2013 Term:

*Elementary School*

Jaelyn Yonta with John Edelman

*Intermediate School*

Sarah Bonnell with Kate Fulton

JaLynne Smith with Lisa Ryan

Sean Riley with Brianna Bibbens

*Junior High and High School*

Alexis Alterman with James Barry and Nick Patriarco

Aaron Scoccia with David DiGennaro

*Athletics*

Elizabeth Beville with Lynne Renner

Stephen Komanecky with Geoff Sorenson

**Non-Instructional:**

Approve the **Salary Recommendations** for the 2013-14 school year for staff with Conditions of Employment.

Approve the appointment of **David Canfield** to the position of Building Maintenance Mechanic effective July 9, 2013.

Approve the following as **2013 Summer Workers:**

*Transportation*

Brian Phillips

*Buildings and Grounds*

*Students*

Jared Rogers

Jordan Pettit

*Alternates*

Rachel Church  
Olivia Fussner  
Kaige Gailor  
Victoria Sheuchuk

Approve the following as 2013 Summer Census Workers at a rate of \$10 per hour for approximately 60 hours of work:

Elizabeth Daniels  
Rachel Hyde

**Board Committee Reports**

- *Audit*-No report.
- *Budget & Finance*-No report.
- *Policy*-No report.
- *Community Relations*-No report.

**District Committee Reports**

- *Professional Staff Development Committee (PSDC)*-No report.
- *Health Advisory*-No report.
- *Safety*-No report.
- *APPR*-No report.
- *Classroom-Technology Advisory Group (C-Tag)*-No report.
- *Character Education*-No report.
- *Instructional Leadership*-Ms. Llewellyn updated the group on the Instruction Leaderships meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup>. The three main topics covered were the implementation of Chrome Books, Library Media Specialists and Standard Based Report Cards. It was also noted that all the members of the committee have expressed interest in continuing to serve on the committee for the 2013-14 school year.
- *Facilities*-Mr. Morenus noted that the next meeting is June 26<sup>th</sup> where the group will review updated drawings for a future capital project.

**Board Member Activities**

- Mr. Sweeney said he had the privilege recently to honor 7 area 2013 graduates for Rotary. The 7 students, including 2 from Homer, were provided with \$1,200 worth of scholarships through Rotary. Mr. Sweeney also noted what an excellent ceremony this year’s graduation was. He offered well deserved kudos to Mr. Van Etten and his staff for all their hard work and preparations.
- Mrs. Sharpe and several Board members echoed Mr. Sweeney’s comments on what an outstanding ceremony it was for this year’s graduation.
- Mr. Pedrick attended the CNYSBA Governance Training, the OCM BOCES graduation as well as a Board meeting and also the district’s graduation ceremony.

**Upcoming Events**

*June*

25-Board of Education

*July*

9-Board of Education Re-organizational Meeting

17-Board Retreat

**Closing Remarks**

- There were no closing remarks.

**Executive Session**

Motion by Quinlan, seconded by Morenus, that the Board enter into an executive session at 7:32 PM to discuss the Superintendent’s Evaluation.

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	

Returned from Executive Session at 8:10 PM.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Sprouse, seconded by Battin, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	