



**Date:** September 8, 2015

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular

**Place:** High School

**Members Present:** Sonia Apker, Katie Dwyer, Mike Kilmer, Joaquin Lira, Mary Beth Mathey, Luke Morenus, Bill Pedrick, Levi Sutton (6:38 PM), Martin Sweeney

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Superintendent Ruscio, Director of Business & Finance Falls, District Clerk Yacavone, Administrators, Guests

President Apker called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

#### **Executive Session**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Morenus, that the Board enter into an executive session at 6:36 PM to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s) and a student residency appeal.

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

Mr. Sutton entered the meeting-6:38 PM

Returned from Executive Session at 7:07 PM.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

#### **President's Comments**

- **Remarks-**President Apker welcomed the group.
- **Correspondence-**None provided.
- **Updates to Agenda-**It was noted that Item 09.09-Policy 1334.1 will be pulled from the agenda for further discussion at a Policy Committee Meeting.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Lira, that the Clerk's minutes of the August 25, 2015- regular meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item A)

Yes	5	Motion Carried
No	2	(Pedrick, Sweeney)
Abstain	2	(Dwyer, Kilmer)

#### **Superintendent's Report**

- **Remarks/Highlights:**
  - Superintendent Ruscio introduced Ed Trevvett of Harris Beach. Mr. Trevvett will be the new legal counsel contact replacing Kate Hill.
- **Correspondence:**
  - There was no correspondence.

#### **Opening School Report**

- Principals and Directors discussed highlights regarding the opening of the 2015-16 school year.

**Old Business**

**Items Requiring Board Action**

**Policy for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading/Final Approval**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Dwyer, that the Board approve the following Policies for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading/Final Approval: (Board Notes Item B)

*Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Mathey, that the Board Table the following policy for further discussion at a future Policy Committee Meeting:*

- *Policy 2100-Orienting and Training New Board Members*

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	1	(Apker)

- Policy 1336-Duties of the School Attorney
- Policy 1400-Formulation, Adoption and Dissemination of Policy
- Policy 1500-Regular Board Meetings and Rules
- Policy 1540-Minutes
- Policy 1611-Submission of Questions and Proposition at Annual Elections and Special District Meetings
- Policy 7520-Sports and The Athletic Program

Yes	9	Motion Carried
No	0	

**New Business**

**Items Requiring Board Action**

**Warrants and Claims Auditors Report**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Kilmer, that the Board approve the following Warrants: (Board Notes Item C)

Yes	9	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Warrants**

T&A	\$1,416,942.01
General Fund 1	\$4,790.50
General Fund 2	\$62,506/49
General Fund 3	\$37,067.60
General Fund 4	\$71,916.95
School Lunch Fund	\$23,986.15
Federal Fund 1	\$295.00
Capital Fund 1	\$41,752.68

**Treasurer’s Report**

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the following Treasurers’ Reports: (Board Notes Item D)

Yes	9	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Treasurers’ Reports**

General Fund	July
Capital Fund	July
School Lunch	July
Trust & Agency	July
Federal Fund	July
Workers’ Compensation	July
Payroll	July

**Investment Summary:** No action required. (Board Notes Item E)

**Budget Status Report/Revenue Status Report:** No action required. (Board Notes Item F)

**NBT Resolution**

Motion by Dwyer, seconded by Morenus, that the Board approve the NBT Resolution: (Board Notes Item G)

Yes 9 Motion Carried  
No 0

**Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution**

Motion by Mathey, seconded Dwyer, that the Board approve the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution: (Board Notes Item H)

Yes 9 Motion Carried  
No 0

**Absolute Auctioneer Contract**

Motion by Sweeney, seconded Morenus, that the Board approve the Absolute Auctioneer Contract: (Board Notes Item I)

Yes 0  
No 9 Motion Denied

**Disposal of Surplus Items**

Motion by Mathey, seconded Kilmer, that the Board approve the Disposal of Surplus Items: (Board Notes Item J)

Yes 9 Motion Carried  
No 0

**Personnel**

Motion by Dwyer, seconded by Kilmer, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Ruscio, the following personnel items be approved as presented:

Yes 9 Motion Carried  
No 0

**Instructional:**

1. Accept the resignation from **Sara Hermansky** from her position of Teaching Assistant effective September 8, 2015.
2. **Rescind** the following appointment that was acted on at the August 25, 2015 Board meeting:  
  
*Approve the appointment of **Thomas Meixell** to a 3 year probationary appointment in the Teaching Assistant Tenure area to begin September 1, 2015, to be completed August 31, 2018 at a salary per contract.*
3. Approve the appointment of **Sarah Bonnell** to a 3 year probationary appointment in the Teaching Assistant Tenure area to begin September 9, 2015, to be completed September 8, 2018 at a salary per contract.
4. Approve the following updates/changes for 2015-16 **Mentors:**  
*Remove*  
Barb Bachman as Mentoring Ashley D’Imperio  
  
*Add*  
Alyssa Ward with Kristin Barnoski
5. Remove **Robert Nasiatka** as the 2015-16 Science Curriculum Area Lead Teacher (Grades 7-12).
6. Approve the appointment of **Tim Gerhard** to the position of Translator/Interpreter for the 2015-16 school year.

7. Appoint the following as **Athletic Supervisors** for the 2015-16 school year:

- John Baden
- Kimberly Carboine
- Michael Carboine
- Jack Fahey
- Penny Fairchild
- Ross Halpern
- Bill Kulikowsky
- Joan Robinson
- Barb Wood

8. Appoint the following as **Volunteers** for the 2015-16 school year:

- Intermediate School*
- Kim Walsh

9. Appoint the following as **Student Teachers** for the fall 2015-16 term:

- High School*
- Cara Kinney with Dave DiGennaro
- Kelly Timko with Kara McLaughlin

- Intermediate School*
- Rebekah Zoll with Tracy Durkee

10. Appoint the following people as **Returning Instructional Substitutes** for the 2015-16 school year:

- Kaitlyn Buchanan
- Julie Partigiononi
- Jessica Nye
- Victoria Londner
- Kelly Fitzsimmons
- Gregory Moller

11. Appoint the following people as **Instructional Substitutes** for the 2015-16 school year:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Certification/Degree Area</u></b>
<b>Emily Brown</b>	Occupational Science
<b>Amy Minkewicz</b>	Elem. Ed.
<b>Danielle Swarm</b>	P.E.
<b>Jeremy Thide</b>	P.E.
<b>Nathan Krause</b>	Biology
<b>Tyler Miller</b>	Social Studies
<b>Michelle Cushman</b>	P.E.
<b>Ariel Batis</b>	P.E.

**Non-Instructional:**

1. Accept the resignation from **Carrie Metcalf** from her position of Food Service Worker effective August 25, 2015.
2. Accept the resignation from **Jaye Guernsey** from the position of Permanent Substitute Bus Driver effective September 2, 2015.
3. Approve the appointment of **Joseph O'Mara** to the position of Permanent Substitute Bus Driver effective September 9, 2015.
4. Appoint the following people as **Returning Non-Instructional Substitutes** for the 2015-16 school year:
  - Julie Partigiononi

## Informational Items

- **Fundraising Updates**-Information on an Elementary PTO Fundraiser was provided.
- **2015-16 Cortland County Community Action Program (CAPCO) Staff**-An update of CAPCO staff stationed at the Elementary School was shared.
- **Town of Truxton Furniture Request**-Superintendent Ruscio presented pictures of furniture from Hartnett Elementary that the Town of Truxton is interested in moving to their Depot. Seven of the nine Board members thought that the furniture should be auctioned off with other items when the building and its belongings are put up for auction.
- **School Resource Officer Agreement**-Superintendent Ruscio provided a copy of an Agreement between the Village of Homer and the District for a second School Resource Officer.

## Community Voices

- There was one community voice.

## Board Committee Reports

- *Audit*-Next meeting...September 16, 2015.
- *Budget & Finance*-No report.
- *Policy*-No report.
- *Community Relations*-Mrs. Dwyer noted the group met prior to the Board meeting where they discussed an Administrative/Board Dinner Workshop scheduled for October 13, 2015. The group also discussed the shuttle busses for the Homer-Cortland Football Game on September 11, 2015.

## 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*-No report.
- *Facilities*-No report.

## Board Member Activities

- Mrs. Dwyer complimented the High School Link Crew. It was also noted that several Board members delivered donuts to the maintenance staff as a result of all their hard work and effort preparing the buildings for the opening of school. Mrs. Dwyer also attended the Varsity Football game and visited several Intermediate and Junior High classrooms on opening day.
- Mr. Morenus attended a Junior Varsity Football Game.
- Mrs. Apker noted that seven Board members attended the September 3<sup>rd</sup> Staff Opening Day and that it was a very energizing event.

## Upcoming Events

### *September*

- 3-Staff Development Day
- 7-Labor Day
- 8-First Day of Classes
- 8-Board of Education
- 11-HS Magazine Drive Begins
- 14-EL Kindergarten Parent Night
- 17-IN Open House
- 21-1<sup>st</sup> Grade Parent Night
- 22-Board of Education/New Employee Reception
- 23-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Parent Night
- 24-JH Open House
- 25-Early Release Day (1/2 Day)
- 30-HS Picture Day

## Closing Remarks

- There were no closing remarks.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mathey, seconded by Sweeney, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Yes	9	Motion Carried
No	0	