



Date: November 10, 2015

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Place: High School

Members Present: Sonia Apker, Mike Kilmer, Joaquin Lira, Luke Morenus, Bill Pedrick, Levi Sutton, Martin Sweeney

Members Absent: Katie Dwyer and Mary Beth Mathey

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

President Apker called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Executive Session

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Morenus, that the Board enter into an executive session at 6:32 PM to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s) and an employee contract.

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| Yes | 7 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |

Returned from Executive Session at 7:03 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

President's Comments

- **Remarks**-President Apker welcomed the group.
- **Correspondence**-None provided.
- **Updates to Agenda**-There were no updates to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Morenus, that the Clerk's minutes of the October 27, 2015- regular meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item A)

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| Yes | 6 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |
| Abstain | 1 | (Sutton) |

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Sutton, seconded by Kilmer, that the Clerk's minutes of the November 5, 2015- special meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item B)

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| Yes | 7 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |

Superintendent's Report

- **Remarks/Highlights:**
 - Superintendent Ruscio noted that she is now on Twitter, her username is @SuptRuscio.
 - Aaron Lener, a student at the Intermediate School, was recognized for winning 1st place for an Archives Award.
 - Margaret Little presented books to the Board in Recognition of Board Member Recognition Week. The books will be donated to the Elementary School Library.
- **Correspondence:**
 - There was no correspondence.

Capital Project Update

- Lee Stepp , Project Manager from Lend Lease, presented an update on the progress of the Capital Project as well as a timeline of what is to come in 2016.

New Business

Items Requiring Board Action

Warrants and Claims Auditors Report

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

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| Yes | 7 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |

Warrants

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| T&A | \$1,662,182.79 |
| General Fund 1 | \$109,792.56 |
| General Fund 2 | \$965,722.34 |
| School Lunch Fund 1 | \$1,320.00 |
| School Lunch Fund 2 | \$18,638.96 |
| Federal Fund 2 | \$412.50 |
| Capital Fund 1 | \$1,114,310.55 |
| Capital Fund2 | \$77,129.79 |

Treasurer’s Report

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

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| Yes | 7 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |

Treasurers’ Reports

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| General Fund | September |
| Capital Fund | September |
| School Lunch | September |
| Trust & Agency | September |
| Federal Fund | September |
| Workers’ Compensation | September |
| Payroll | September |
| Extra-classroom Activity Fund | September |

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

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

Reports from the Committee on Pre-school Special Education

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Lira, that the Board accept the Reports from the Committee on Pre-school Special Education: (Board Notes Item G)

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| 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 H)

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| Yes | 7 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |

Towing Services Bid Resolution

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Sutton, that the Board approve the Towing Bid Resolution, awarding Rick and Rich as the provider of towing services to the district: (Board Notes Item I)

Yes 7 Motion Carried
No 0

Contract for Purchase and Sale of New York State Real Estate

Motion by Morenus, seconded Sutton, that the Board approve the Contract for Purchase and Sale of New York State Real Estate: (Board Notes Item J)

Yes 6 Motion Carried
No 1 (Kilmer)

Personnel

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

Yes 7 Motion Carried
No 0

Instructional:

Approve the **Ratification of the Homer Teachers’ Association (Nurses) Contract** effective July 1, 2014.

Approve the following as receiving their **Master’s Degree:**

Morgan Osborne

Approve the following **Co-Curricular** recommendations/updates for the 2015-16 school year:

JH Musical

Remove Sam Herwood as Assistant Director

Appoint Sam Herwood as Musical Tech Director (Split with Lauren Flood)

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

High School

James Hopkins

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

Athletics

David Occipinti with Allison Cook

Cody Borden with Jeremy Cook

Katelyn Schultz with Lynn Renner

Sam Halpern with Geoff Sorenson

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

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Certification/Degree Area</u> |
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| Heather Roche | Science |

Non-Instructional:

Approve the appointment of **John Pickard** to the position of Bus Driver effective November 12, 2015.

Approve the appointment of **May Olson** to the position of Bus Driver effective November 30, 2015.

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

Lori Bogacz-Food Service Worker

Informational Items

- **Fundraising Updates**-Fundraising updates were provided from the High School.

Community Voices

- There were no community voices.

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*-Mr. Falls updated the Board on the recent Safety Committee Meeting. The group reviewed the District Safety Plan, discussed the roll-out of the 26 new AED’s as well as training for them, reviewed the Safety Drill that was recently completed at the Intermediate and Junior High Schools and finally discussed the Capital Project.
- *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

- Mr. Kilmer attended the All-County Choir/Instrumental Concert for Junior High students as well as the Veteran’s Day event at the Intermediate School.
- Mr. Morenus attended a Baseball Backers meeting and noted the group is looking for a solution to the lack of field space.
- Mr. Sweeney attended the Cortland-Madison SBA Fall Dinner.
- Mr. Pedrick attended the Cortland-Madison SBA Fall Dinner as well as a BOCES Facilities meeting and a CNYSBA Roundtable.
- Mrs. Apker attended a Parent/Teacher Conference at the Intermediate School.

Upcoming Events

November

- 10-Board of Education
- 11-Veteran’s Day (No School)
- 16-K-12 Parent/Teacher Conference Day (No School)
- 20-21 HS Shakespearean Play
- 24-Board of Education
- 25-Early Release Day (1/2 Day for Students)
- 26-27 Thanksgiving Recess (No School)

December

- 1-IN 3rd Grade Holiday Concert
- 3-HS Instrumental Concert
- 4-Christmas on the Village Green
- 8-Board of Education
- 10-HS Vocal Concert
- 15-JH Holiday Concert
- 16-IN 5th Grade Holiday Concert
- 18-IN Parent Visitation Day
- 12/24-1/1-Holiday Recess

Closing Remarks

- There were no closing remarks.

Adjournment

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Sweeney, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 PM.

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| Yes | 7 | Motion Carried |
| No | 0 | |