



Date: May 8, 2018

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Place: High School

Members Present: Sonia Apker, Keith Fagerheim, Mike Kilmer, Joaquin Lira, Julie McChesney, Luke Morenus (7:42 PM) and Martin Sweeney

Members Absent: Dave Quinlan

Others Present: Superintendent Ruscio, Assistant Superintendent for Management Falls, Director Love, District Clerk Yacavone and Guests

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

Executive Session

Motion Kilmer, seconded by McChesney, that the Board enter into an executive session at 6:31 PM to discuss the Employment History of a Particular Person(s):

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Returned from Executive Session at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

President's Comments

- **Remarks**-President Apker welcomed the group.
- **Correspondence**-There was no correspondence.
- **Updates to Agenda**-There were no updates to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by McChesney, seconded by Sweeney, that the Clerk's minutes of the April 16, 2018-regular meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item A)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Fagerheim, that the Clerk's minutes of the April 25, 2018-special meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item B)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by McChesney, that the Clerk's minutes of the May 1, 2018-regular meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item C)

Yes	5	Motion Carried
No	0	
Abstain	1	(Kilmer)

Superintendent’s Report

• **Remarks/Highlights:**

- Superintendent Ruscio presented the Board with an Emerging School of Character Award given by the Academy for Character Education of Sage College.
- A letter from former Board member Mary Beth Mathey was read. Ms. Mathey commended our Music teachers for representing Homer well on their recent trip to Washington, D.C.
- A poll was taken for Board members attending Graduation 2018.

• **Correspondence:**

- There was no correspondence.

Keyboarding Presentation

- A presentation was done on the K-8 Keyboarding Program.

New Business

Items Requiring Board Action

Resignation of Board Member

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by McChesney, that the Board accept the resignation of Board Member Dave Quinlan effective April 20, 2018: (Board Notes Item D)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Warrants and Claims Auditors Report

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

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Warrants

T&A	\$2,017,778.97
General Fund 1	\$430,868.16
General Fund 2	\$16,329.86
General Fund 3	\$8,869.86
General Fund 4	\$18,553.43
General Fund 5	\$24,365.17
General Fund 6	\$26,039.20
General Fund 7	\$426,087.16
School Lunch Fund 1	\$26,565.95
School Lunch Fund 1	\$854.15
Federal Fund 1	\$400.00

Treasurer’s Report

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

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Treasurers’ Reports

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

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

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

Reports from the Committee on Pre-School Special Education

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Fagerheim, that the Board accept the Reports from the Committee on Pre-School Special Education: (Board Notes Item I)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Reports from the Committee on Special Education

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

Yes	5	Motion Carried
No	0	
Abstain	1	(Apker)

Summer Transportation Requests

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by McChesney, that the Board approve the 2018 Summer Transportation Requests: (Board Notes Item K)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

2018-19 Board Meeting Dates

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by McChesney, that the Board approve the 2018-19 Board meeting dates as noted: (Board Notes Item L)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Turf Bond Resolution

Motion by McChesney, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board approve the Turf Bond Resolution: (Board Notes Item M)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

OCM BOCES Resolution for Network Services

Motion by Fagerheim, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board approve the Resolution for OCM BOCES Network Services: (Board Notes Item N)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Acceptance of Donation

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Kilmer, that the Board accept the Donation in the amount of \$50 for a Social Studies Award: (Board Notes Item O)

Yes	6	Motion Carried
No	0	

Community Voices

- There were no community voices.

Executive Session

Motion McChesney, seconded by Kilmer, that the Board enter into an executive session at 7:40 PM to discuss Negotiations:

Yes 6 Motion Carried
No 0

(Mr. Morenus entered the meeting-7:42 PM)

Returned from Executive Session at 7:49 PM.

Personnel-1

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Morenus, that upon recommendation of the Homer Board of Education, the following personnel items be approved as presented:

Yes 6 Motion Carried
No 1 (Sweeney)

- 1. **Thomas Turck** be and hereby is granted a three year appointment as Superintendent of Schools of the Homer Central School District, effective July 1, 2018 at an annual salary of \$160,000 per year; The Employment Agreement dated May 8, 2018 between the District and Mr. Turck embodying the terms and conditions of his employment is hereby approved as noted; and The President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to execute the Employment Agreement on behalf of the District.

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Kilmer, that upon recommendation of the Homer Board of Education, the following personnel items be approved as presented:

Yes 7 Motion Carried
No 0

- 2. Accept the letter of resignation from **Thomas Turck** from his position of Principal effective June 30, 2018.

Oath of Allegiance

The Oath of Allegiance will be administered to Thomas Turck by District Clerk Yacavone.

Personnel-2

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

Yes 7 Motion Carried
No 0

Instructional:

- 1. Approve the appointment of **Siani Amidon** to a 3 year probationary appointment as a School Psychologist to begin September 1, 2018, to be completed August 31, 2021 at a salary per contract.
- 2. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated May 8, 2018 for **Nancy S. Ruscio**, Superintendent of Schools.
- 3. Approve the following staff for **Tenure:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Thomas Chrysler	Foreign Language	9/1/18
- 4. Approve the leave of absence, without pay request, from **Brianna Murphy**, following her post partum disability period through October 5, 2018. Mrs. Murphy has an estimated due date of July 2018.
- 5. Accept the letter of resignation, for retirement purposes, from **Marcie Mann** from her position of teacher effective June 30, 2018.
- 6. Accept the letter of resignation from **Steve Stechyshyn** from his position of teacher effective June 30, 2018.

7. Approve the appointment of **Megan Tracy** to a 4 year probationary appointment in the Math Tenure area to begin September 1, 2018, to be completed August 31, 2022** at a salary per contract. Ms. Tracy has Initial Certification in Mathematics 7-12.

8. Approve the following **Coaching Recommendations** for the Fall 2018:

Football

Varsity-Gary Podsiedlik
Assistant Varsity-Thomas Cottrell
Assistant Varsity-James Whidden and Michael DiMattei
Head Junior Varsity-George Schneider
Assistant Junior Varsity-Geoffrey Sorenson
Head Junior High-Mark Ferrito
Assistant Junior High-Dustin Morris and Chris Young

Cheerleading

Head Coach-Emily Stevens and Brittany Barillaro

Field Hockey

Varsity-McKenna L'Hommedieu
Junior High-Kori Mulvihill

Tennis

Varsity-Nancy Cavellier

Boys Soccer

Junior Varsity-Chad Totman

Girls Soccer

Varsity-Morgan Osborne
Junior Varsity-Gina Kinsella
Junior High-Christine Colasurdo

Cross Country

Varsity-James Baldwin
Assistant Varsity-Jason Graves
Junior High-Paula Jones
Junior High-Tammy Stokoe

Golf

Varsity-Sean Malone

Volleyball

Varsity-Jeremy Cook
Junior Varsity-Melissa Sorenson

9. Approve the following as **Student Teachers**:

High School
Keilah Figueroa with Dave DiGennero

10. Approve the following as **Practicum Students**:

High School
Rex Ryan with Dan Bradshaw
Amber Morgan with Doug Van Etten

11. Approve the following as **Volunteers**:

High School
Kenneth Maxwell

12. Appoint the following people as **Instructional Substitutes** for the 2017-18 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification/Degree Area</u>
Mandie Spaulding	Social Studies
Patricia Lane	Special Education

*****This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 3012-3 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) out of four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher/administrator receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher/administrator shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.***

Non-Instructional:

1. Accept the letter of resignation from **Paula McMahon** from her position of Food Service Worker effective May 31, 2018.
2. Accept the letter of resignation from **Christopher Strauff** from his position of Bus Driver effective May 2, 2018.
3. Approve **Robert Johnson** as a Bus Driver Trainee.
4. Appoint the following people as **Non-Instructional Substitutes** for the 2017-18 school year:
Kira Read-Nurse

Informational Items

- **May/June 2018 Calendar Update**-Superintendent Ruscio updated the Board on the end of year calendar.
- **Quarterly Data Report**-A Quarterly Data Report was provided.
- **NYSIR Inspection Report**-A NYSIR Inspection Report was shared.
- **School Resource Officer**-An update on School Resource Officer personnel was discussed.

Board Committee Reports

- *Audit*-No report.
- *Budget & Finance*-Mr. Morenus reported to the Board on Legal RFP's.
- *Policy*-No report.
- *Community Relations*-No report.

District Committee Reports

- *Professional Staff Development Committee (PSDC)*-No report.
- *Health Advisory*-No report.
- *APPR*-No report.
- *Classroom-Technology Advisory Group (C-Tag)*-No report.
- *Character Education*-No report.
- *Instructional Leadership*-Minutes provided.
- *Facilities*-No report.
- *Safety*-No report.
- *Facilities*-Mr. Morenus updated the group on a recent Energy Performance meeting.

Board Member Activities

- All Board members noted what a pleasure it was to share token of appreciation to staff on Staff Appreciation Day.
- Mrs. Apker has attended modified softball games.

Upcoming Events

May

- 8-Board of Education
- 10-EL 2nd Grade Play
- 12-HS Jr./Sr. Prom at Tinelli's
- 15-District Budget Vote/Election
- 15-JH Concert
- 16-18 HS AP Testing
- 17-HS Instrumental Concert
- 18-19 Onondaga County NYSSMA
- 18-IN 5th Grade Play
- 21-Music Booster Award Ceremony
- 22-Board of Education

23-24 Grades 4 & 8 NYS Science Exams
24-HS Vocal Concert
28-Memorial Day (No School)
31-Senior Banquet
31-4th & 5th Grade Chorus & Band Concert

June

1-HS Senior Trip
4-Grades 4 & 8 NYS Science Written Exam
4-HS Honors & Awards Ceremony
5-Transition Regents Exam Global History and Geography
5-Cortland Co. Dairy Parade
6-IN/JH Adventure in the Arts/Book Fair
6-EL Kindergarten Screening/Visitation
11-3rd Grade Orientation & Parent Night
12-21 Regents Exams
12-Board of Education
12-All-County Elem Chorus
22-HS Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal
22-Rating Day
23-HS Graduation
26-Board of Education

Closing Remarks

- There were no closing remarks.

Adjournment

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Morenus, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Yes	7	Motion Carried
No	0	