

Date of Meeting: January 25, 2010
Type of Meeting: Regular Monthly
Place of Meeting: High School Media Center
Members Present: President, Wendy Perry; Vice President, Kim Hentnik (6:52); Paul Chizek; Joe Renaud; Sari Stewart; Ed Szumowski
Members Absent: John Pecora;
Others Present: Stephen Tomlinson, Superintendent; Marco Zumbolo, Assistant Superintendent; Georgia Baldwin, Clerk; Robin Blowers, H.S. Principal; Wayne Bell, MS Principal; Daniel Casey, IS Principal; Terry LaFountain, TLC Principal; Adam Barnhart, Director of Athletics/HS Asst. Principal; Michele Kelley, Comm. Spec.; Heather Nellis, Recorder; Joel DeTata, Leader-Herald; Meredith Putman; Dru Centore; Jeff Richards; Caitlin Richards; Christine Morrissey; Jonathan Aery; Christine Plunkett; Katherine Quackenbush; Wendy Carroll; Stacy Fisher; Charlie DeZolt; Anita Stabrowski; Maura Hibbitts; Jennifer Sanford; Keith Buchanan; Mary LaPort; Cindy Sengenberger; Eric Sengenberger.

CALL TO ORDER At 6:45 p.m. President Perry called the meeting to order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION At 6:46 pm, Mr. Chizek moved, seconded by Mrs. Stewart to go into Executive Session to discuss a particular person and CSE/CPSE placements. The motion was unanimously approved.

RECONVENE At 7:11 pm, Mrs. Stewart moved, seconded by Mrs. Hentnik, to reconvene. The motion was unanimously carried.

FLAG SALUTE

MINUTES Mrs. Stewart moved, seconded by Mrs. Hentnik to approve the December 21st and January 20th minutes.
Ayes 6 Nays 0 Motion carried.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Sam Jackling spoke about being to volunteer for Junior Achievement this year. He is working on the subject of families and jobs. Mr. Jackling thanked the board for allowing people like him to volunteer.

REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

- **EDUCATIONAL HIGHLIGHT** – Art Department – Creating Depth on a Flat Surface. Students spoke about their art projects and how they created depth in the picture. Maria Meola, a second grader from The Learning Community, Dakota Fisher, a fifth grader from the Intermediate School, Tatiana Ivery and Kelly Makarowsky 6th graders from the Middle School and Shea Centore, a 12 grader from the High School all presented their artwork.
- We had a very successful fall season. At this time certificates from the County were presented to athletes from the Cross Country and Boys Soccer teams and the athletes were recognized for their accomplishments.
- Capital Project – A majority of the contract work has been completed. Contractors and the Construction Manager are working on closing out the project.
- Change Order #25 is a credit to utilize a different type of garage door at the Intermediate School storage space.
- Change Order #26 is the cost to supply and install expansion joints at doorways and thresholds at the 1st and 2nd floor corridors of the Middle School.
- Change Order #27 is the cost to supply and install a new full length counter top and refinish the cabinets in the Learning Community Art Room.
- Mr. Tomlinson spoke on Domestic Wire Transfer Service. This is about the steps that Citizens Bank takes to protect our money.

- Board of Education Goal Update.
 - Communications – the newsletter is nearing completion. The new website template is coming in February. We have a new product call the School News Notifier. We will have regular contact with our community. This is an offshoot of the ConnectEd system. Michele Kelley was the presenter for this segment.
 - Curriculum and Professional Development – Dr. William Daggett spoke to all District instructional staff on the importance of a rigorous and relevant curriculum. The Leadership Team is busy preparing for the upcoming half day professional development day. All faculty members are busy conducting a quality review of the completed curriculum maps.
 - Budget and Finance – many community members are participating in the roundtables.
 - School Safety – the committee discussed general student, staff and visitor safety on school property. An overview of the bus loop and student drop-off areas was discussed. The committee is still investigating obtaining flashing lights for the school zone at the Perth campus.
- Education and Politics Update. A DVD was shown titled, “Be the Change”. The HFM BOCES Superintendents’ Position Paper was presented. Also a draft letter to our legislators regarding the governor’s budget was reviewed.
- 2010-11 Budget Preparation – The board will meet on February 20th to conduct a budget workshop.
- The Public Relations Report is included for your review.

REPORT FROM THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

- School lunch saw an increase in lunch sales for December. A ConnectEd call was made to over 90 homes who owed money.
- Budget Draft #2 includes actual expenditures from last year.

REPORT FROM THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

- The student rep handed out the high school newsletter.
- Drama has begun.
- Thank you to Mr. Tomlinson for working on the sound board for the auditorium.
- Today was the last day of mid-terms and tomorrow is the first day of regents exams.
- Next week-end is the first of two All County Festivals. It will be held here at Broadalbin-Perth.
- Next week-end will be the band and chorus pancake breakfast at Applebee’s.
- Winter sports are winding down.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- Policy – Revised policies and Table of Contents are ready for your policy notebooks. Second reading discussion of policy 6.15.
- Buildings & Grounds – No meeting this month. There was a question about the concrete heaving at Perth.
- Finance – Marco and Kim met this morning. There was nothing significant.
- Health and Safety – Winter safety issues, plowing, Capital Project Safety Report and roofing projects were discussed.
- Legislative Liaison – Wendy and Stephen went to an Albany breakfast meeting. They presented letters from our BOCES.

REMARKS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

- Mr. Chizek – Mrs. Topper secured a \$10,000 grant. That is awesome! Mr. Bell went on the Project Adventure trip. How was it?
- Mrs. Stewart – It was great to have the Art presentation. It is amazing what the kids can do. We have dedicated teachers. The sports teams are close to my heart. I used to run cross country and my son is on the soccer team. I’m glad you brought up how polite our kids are. Hopefully we’ll have a fun time going over the budget. The play is coming up and so are spring sports.
- Mrs. Hentnik – I always enjoy the educational highlight. What I see here is amazing. It is a busy time. Take the time to see what the kids have to offer.
- Mr. Renaud – Congratulations to the sports teams. The Arts presentation is impressive. I wish all High School Regents good luck. The seniors are entering their last semester, don’t succumb to senioritis.
- Mr. Szumowski – I like the newsletters, they’re great. Particularly the Middle School. It was great to see Ben Schilling’s paper. Good stuff.
- Ms. Perry – My daughter was here with her picture. They’re doing great work. The kids are doing a lot of things. The Educational Highlight is always great. The athletics are wonderful. They’re good kids. I encourage anyone to go to the events that we offer. I appreciate Ben putting his paper in your report.

NEW BUSINESS REPORT

DECEMBER TREASURER’S REPORT

Mrs. Hentnik moved, seconded by Mrs. Stewart, to approve the Treasurer’s Report.
Whereas, the District Treasurer is charged with reporting the status of all funds in her care;
Whereas, she has submitted this report for the month of December, 2009 and on a form prescribed by the District, and
Whereas, the Board of Education’s Finance Committee has reviewed said report and recommends its approval;
Now Be It Resolved That, the December, 2009 Treasurer’s report is hereby approved.
 Ayes 6 Nays 0 Motion carried.

2ND READING POLICY 6.15

Policy 6.15 Curriculum Review and Development was discussed. It will be brought back for another reading.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:40 p.m. Mrs. Hentnik moved, seconded by Mr. Chizek, to go into executive session to discuss a particular person and CSE/CPSE placements. The motion was unanimously carried.

RECONVENE

At 9:59 p.m., Mrs. Stewart moved, seconded by Mrs. Hentnik, to reconvene. The motion was unanimously carried.

CSE/CPSE PLACEMENTS

The CSE/CPSE placements were tabled until next month.

PERSONNEL ACTION

Mrs. Stewart moved, seconded by Mr. Chizek, to approve the following Personnel Action items. The motion was unanimously carried.

<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>		
Darling, Erica	as a tutor for a high school student until the student returns to school	\$27.82 per hour
Hughes, Kimberly	as typist effective July 1, 2009	\$11.64 per hour
Davidson, Gerti	as typist effective July 1, 2009	\$13.80 per hour
Snyder, Rick	as mentor for the 2009-10 school year at half of a B position	\$306.00

LEAVE OF ABSENCE	
Hanson, Kelly	a leave of absence from March 15 - June 24, 2010 for the purpose of Family Medical Leave
Davis, Emily	a leave of absence from April 23, 2010 to June 9, 2010 for the purpose of Family Medical Leave
Dufel, Judith	an unpaid leave of absence from January 25-29, 2010 for personal reasons
Sanford, Jennifer	an unpaid leave of absence from March 2-3, 2010 for personal reasons

ADJOURN

At 10:00 p.m., Mrs. Hentnik moved, seconded by Mr. Szumowski to Adjourn. The motion was unanimously carried.

Georgia L. Baldwin, District Clerk