MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
&
PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET
IROQUOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL
INTERMEDIATE CAFETERIA
GIRDLE RD., ELMA, NY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2013 AT 6:00 PM.

PRESENT
Mr. David Lowrey
Mrs. Suzanne Wolff
Mr. Charles Specht
Mr. Thomas Di Scipio

EXCUSED
Mr. Paul Bracci
Mrs. Michele Hovey
Ms. Nickole Garrison

ALSO PRESENT
Mr. Douglas Scofield  Superintendent
Dr. Mary Jo Dudek  Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum
Mrs. Joanne George  Business Administrator

CALL TO ORDER
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by
Mr. David Lowrey at 6:04 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
A motion was made by Mr. Specht, seconded by Mr. Di Scipio, to go into
Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a
particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment,
employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or
removal of a particular person or corporation).

Motion carried. (Ayes 4, Noes 0)

Mr. Bracci arrived at 6:20 PM
Mrs. Hovey arrived at 6:29 PM

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Bracci recognized members of the Superintendent Development
Program in the audience.

BUDGET HEARING
The Budget Hearing began at 6:32 PM.

RETURN TO REGULAR
SESSION
Mr. Bracci presided over and called the regular meeting to order at 7:19 PM.
RECOGNITION OF GUESTS – REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No guests asked to be recognized.

APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS AGENDA

In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Mr. Lowrey, seconded by Mr. Specht, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consensus Agenda.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

FINANCIAL

6.2 FINANCIAL MATTERS


MINUTES

6.3 MINUTES

6.3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on April 17, 2013.

6.3.2 Minutes of the Special Meeting held on April 23, 2013.

PERSONNEL

6.4 PERSONNEL

6.4.3 RETIREMENT RESIGNATIONS

6.4.3 The acceptance, with regret, of the retirement resignation of Sharon George from her position as Registered Nurse effective at the end of the day, June 30, 2013.

6.4.6 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

6.4.6.1 The approval of an unpaid leave for Jene-Elise Stahura-Uhl from May 15, 2013 (.5 unpaid) through June 30, 2013.

6.4.6.2 The approval of an extension of unpaid leave for Susan Slade, Clerk Typist PT, from April 15, 2013 through May 17, 2013.

6.4.6.3 The approval of an extension of unpaid leave for Kevin Ellis, Laborer, from April 12, 2013 through May 9, 2013.

6.4.6.4 The approval of an unpaid leave for Timothy Reed, Laborer, from April 10, 2013 through May 14, 2013.

6.4.6.5 The approval of an extension of unpaid leave for Lucille Stasinski, Cleaner, from April 30, 2013 through May 30, 2013.

6.4.6.6 The approval of unpaid leave for Colleen Logan-Bruce from May 6, 2013 through June 30, 2013.
6.4.7 AMENDED APPOINTMENTS

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6.4.7.1 The approval of the amended lists of substitute teachers, teacher aides, tutors, bus attendants, bus drivers, cleaners, clerical, clerks, laborers and nurses per the attached.

6.4.9 APPOINTMENTS

6.4.9.1 The approval of an amended appointment for Jessica Krasicki, who has initial certificates in students with disabilities N-2 and I-6, to a 1.0 F.T.E. non-probationary position in the special education tenure area ending on April 22, 2013. Salary $35,250.00 pro-rated based on Bachelors, Step 1 (2012-2015 IFA Negotiated Agreement).

6.4.9.2 The approval of the probationary appointment of Julie Budziszewski to the Civil Service position of Bus Driver, (ten [10] months, seventeen and one-half [17½] hours per week) effective April 30, 2013. Salary shall be in accordance with the current CSEA Agreement and start at Wage Grade 9, Step 1 at $15.32 per hour (2010-2013 CSEA Agreement).

6.4.9.3 The approval of the authorization of the recommendation by the:

- Committee on Special Education for Annual Reviews of 22 children.
- Committee on Special Education for the Program Review of 0 children.
- Committee on Special Education for Re-evaluation of 0 children.
- Committee on Special Education for the initial education placement Of 3 children.
- Committee on Special Education for Amendments of 0 children.
- Committee on Special Education for Declassification support services of 0 children.
- Committee on Special Education for Declassification of 1 child.
- 504 Committee for the Accommodation Plan of 6 children.
- Committee on Special Education for The Manifestation Determination of 0 children.
- Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Annual Review of 1 child.
- Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Program Review of 0 children.
Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Initial Educational Placement of 0 children.

Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Amendments of 1 child.

Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Declassification of 0 children.

Committee on Preschool Special Education Referral of 0 children.

Total Meetings: 34

7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Scofield reported that, in an effort to make our schools as safe as possible, we have begun working with Digital Surveillance Solutions to improve the cameras in the district. Mr. Carlin has been meeting with the building principals to discuss how the present cameras are working and the amount of visibility in an effort to modify them as needed.

Dr. Dudek reported that the NYS Report Card was publicly released last week. The District has achieved Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) in every area. A detailed report will be given during the district summer planning session in August.

Dr. Dudek reported that the Grade 3-8 Assessments went very well and the students were well prepared. Dr. Dudek also informed the Board that all scoring had been completed and thanked the scoring leader teachers for the time the dedicated to becoming leaders and the numerous teachers who scored the assessments. The Board discussed the concern over the amount of assessments students are administered, the stress it puts on both teachers and students and the face that the teachers are not able to use the results to analyze their progress since only the scores are provided from the state.

Mr. Scofield reported that the Baseball team trip to Florida was a great success; the team had a great time and he is looking forward to the team attending next year. Mr. Scofield thanked Coach Snyder and Coach Matteson for the great job they have done.

Mr. Scofield reported on the following achievements:

The Washington Post reported that Iroquois High School is ranked #219 in the North East US and #1,506 in the entire US

Newsweek has reported that of the top 2000 best high schools in nation Iroquois is ranked 727 up from 784 from last year.

High School teacher, Ms. Musso, received a certificate of merit from Senator Patrick Gallivan for her commitment to educate young women of the community and to teens living with cancer through her Girls Night Out program. Mr. Scofield announced that a Boys Night Out, spearheaded by high school teacher Mr. Aroune, was recently held.
The recent Iroquois student athlete of the week was the Girls Varsity Track Team who won 1st place at the Dunkirk Track Meet.

After winning in New York State, the History Bowl Team and their advisor, high school teacher Mrs. McCoy, recently traveled to Washington DC to compete in the nationwide History Bowl were they achieved First Place in the Consolation Group.

Congratulated Payroll Clerk Nancy Swiston who coordinated representatives from NYS ERS to conduct a seminar at Iroquois. They two day seminar was attended by numerous people from various municipalities.

Congratulated II teacher Bobbi Bartholomew for being the recipient of a STEM Grant in the amount of $300 from Northrup Grumman Electronics.

Mr. Scofield introduced community member Mr. James Coatsworth who discussed his interest in taking on the role of Iroquois Historian. Mr. Coatsworth, a graduate of the Class of 1965, stated that his class has held over 20 reunions and offers a scholarship to a graduating senior every year. Mr. Coatsworth stated that his idea is to build a nice enough collection to display in school and to keep tradition of Iroquois alive for the future. Mr. Lowrey thanked Mr. Coatsworth and asked that he keep the Board informed so they may assist him if needed.

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF AMENDED POLICIES

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded Mr. Specht, the Board unanimously approved the adoption of the following amended policies:

- 1540 Executive Sessions
- 5410 Purchasing
- 5510 Accounting of Funds
- 5570 Financial Accountability
- 5640 Smoking/Tobacco Use
- 5660 School Food Service Program (Lunch and Breakfast)
- 6130 Evaluation of Personnel
- 7210 Student Evaluation
- 7222 Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
- 7320 Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs and Other Substances (Students)
- 7330 Searches and Interrogations of Students
- 7513 Administration of Medication
- 7631 Appointment and Training of Committee on Special Education (CSE)/Subcommittee on Special Education Members
- 7640 Student Individualized Education Program (IEP): Development and Provision
- 8260 Title I Parent Involvement Policy

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)
SECOND READING OF AMENDED POLICIES

8.2 Upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Specht, the Board votes unanimously to approve the second reading of the following amended policies:

- 5632 Pest Management and Pesticide Use
- 7132 Non-Resident Students

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

OBsolete EQUIPMENT

8.3 Upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Lowrey, the Board voted unanimously to declare the following machines that are no longer in working order from the Middle School as obsolete and disposed of according to District policy:

- Chicago Table Top Drill Press – Inventory # A00228415
- Rockwell Floor Drill Press – Inventory # A00021693
- Rockwell Band Saw – Inventory # A00021691

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

8.4 Upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Lowrey, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Non-Public School Transportation requests for the 2013-2014 school year for 188 students.

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

DONATION FROM BUFFALO STROM

8.5 Upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Lowrey, the Board voted unanimously to accept the donation of $50.00 from the Buffalo Storm Basketball Club for the Chuck Funke Athletic Account (TA085-72).

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

TERMINATION OF OBSOLETE CLUBS

8.6 Upon a motion by Mr. Specht, seconded by Mr. Di Scipio, the Board voted unanimously to terminate the student activity accounts of the Spanish Club, Basketball Club, and the National Junior Honor Society. The clubs have not had financial activity for a two year period and any and all remaining funds will be transferred to the Student Government activity account.

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

USE OF FACILITIES REQUEST

8.7 Upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Specht, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Application for Use of School Facilities from Peter Trzybinski, West Seneca American Legion Post 735 Baseball Team, to use Athletic Field No. W2 (baseball field) on June 5, 10, 17 and July 3, 8, 2013 for baseball games at a cost of $140.00.

Motion Carried. (Ayes 7, Noes 0)
BOARD DISCUSSION  Mr. Lowrey informed the Board that he is updating the evaluation tool of both the Board and Superintendent to make it more user friendly.

NEWS WORTH SHARING  Mr. Bracci reminded the audience that the Budget Vote will be held on May 21 in the Intermediate Gymnasium from 7:30 am to 9:00 pm.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS  No guests asked to be recognized at this time.

ADJOURNMENT  There being no further business before the Board of Education, upon a motion by Mrs. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Di Scipio, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sadowski
District Clerk