

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Royalton-Hartland Central School District
Middleport, New York

May 28, 2014

A regular meeting of the Royalton-Hartland Board of Education was held on the above date at the high school.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Keith Bond, Board Member
Sara Fry, Board Member
Sandra Hoerner, Board Member
Kenneth Koch, Board Member
Jeffery Waters, Board Member
Daniel Bragg, Vice President
Patricia Riegler, President

Also Present: Roger Klatt, Ed.D., Sheila Murphy, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, and Bernie Freedman, Esq.

Mrs. Hoerner moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, to go into an executive session to discuss the employment history of particular individuals.

Motion carried.

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner to end the executive session.

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 7:20 p.m.

Mrs. Riegler asked the audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION(S)

Sally Dewes of the NYSDEC spoke to the Board about the option of the DEC taking soil samples over the summer. Should the Board consider any development on the school's property in the future, the results of these samples would give the Board a better idea of the extent of remediation necessary. The Board is not considering any development of the school's property at this time.

Donna VanSlyke, Elementary School Principal and John Fiskus, Middle School Principal spoke about the methods they have used to monitor student progress during the school year.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the minutes of the regular meetings of April 30 and May 7, 2014 be approved.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Hoerner moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the April 2014 Student Activity Treasurer's Report be approved as presented.
Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the April 2014 Appropriation Status Report be approved as presented.
Motion carried.

Mrs. Hoerner moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the recommendations from the CPSE meetings of March 7 and 31, April 28, May 1 and 2 and the CSE meetings of April 22, 29 and 30, May 5, 6, 7, 8 and 14, 2014 be approved as presented.
Motion carried.

EDUCATIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mr. Bond, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board approves to move ahead with the plan to purchase new equipment for the chemistry lab which will be moved from its current location to the former home economics classroom.
Motion carried.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Mr. Bragg moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that due to declining enrollment, the Board of Education hereby abolishes 1 FTE monitor position effective June 30, 2014. The Board of Education has determined Laurie Bower to be the least senior monitor and therefore shall be excessed effective June 26, 2014. Mrs. Bower shall be placed on a preferred eligibility list for recall to employment for a period of 24 months from the date of lay off.
Motion carried.

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that due to a change in a student's IEP, the Board of Education hereby abolishes 1 FTE sign language interpreter position effective June 26, 2014. The Board of Education has determined Joan Wanecski to be the least senior sign language interpreter and therefore shall be excessed effective June 30, 2014. Ms. Wanecski shall be placed on a preferred eligibility list for recall to employment for a period of 24 months from the date of lay off.
Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Bragg, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that John Jablonski is appointed to the position of Athletic Director for the 2014-2015 school year. Stipend for this position is based on 10% of Step 20 of the current RHTA Agreement, \$6,930.00.
Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Emma Dewart is appointed to the position of Girls Varsity Soccer coach for the 2014 sports season. Salary stipend of \$2,620.00 is 7% of Step 1 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014 fall sports season unless terminated sooner.
Motion carried.

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Colleen Rausch is appointed to the position of Girls JV Soccer coach for the 2014 sports season. Salary stipend of \$1,872.00 is 5% of Step 1 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014 fall sports season unless terminated sooner.
Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Jennifer Stowe, who has Professional certification in the Early Childhood and Childhood Education certification areas, is hereby granted a tenure appointment in the Elementary Education tenure area effective September 1, 2014.
Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Angela Robida, who has Professional certification in the Mathematics 7-12 certification area, is hereby granted a tenure appointment in the Mathematics academic tenure area effective September 1, 2014.
Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Bond, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Grace Swick, who has Professional certification in the Childhood Education certification area, is hereby granted a tenure appointment in the Elementary Education tenure area effective September 1, 2014.
Motion carried.

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Jena Warren, who has Professional certification in the Early Childhood and Childhood Education certification areas, is hereby granted a tenure appointment in the Elementary Education tenure area effective September 1, 2014.
Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Susan Konstanty, who has Permanent certification in the PreK-Grade 6 certification area, is hereby granted a tenure appointment in the Elementary Education tenure area effective September 1, 2014.
Motion carried.

BOARD ITEMS

Mr. Waters – could the softball field be moved to Gasport and the baseball field be moved back to Middleport? Then the softball fields could be “skinned” because there is no issue with the soil in Gasport.

Mr. Koch – reported that the wireless project is moving ahead.

Mr. Bragg – the audit committee will be meeting soon and the negotiations committee also needs to meet.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

April 2014 Warrant, Revenue and Treasurer’s Reports

PUBLIC FORUM

Paula Koch, Freeman Rd – thanked the Board and the Superintendent to allow students to participate in the Spring String Festival at Houghton and the NYSSMA at Niagara Wheatfield where the high school band won “Gold”.

NEW BUSINESS

June 28 – John Fiskus - presentation to the Board regarding the Educator’s Workshop through the United States Marine Corp in Parris Island, SC

July 9 – Reorganization Meeting

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry that the meeting adjourns.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Marjorie Masters

District Clerk