

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

October 1, 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  
Daniel Bragg, Board Member  
Sara Fry, Board Member  
Sandra Hoerner, Board Member  
Kenneth Koch, Vice President  
Patricia Riegler, President

Absent: Dan Bragg, Board Member

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

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, to go into an executive session to discuss two student issues and matters leading to the appointment of particular persons.

Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mr. Waters to end the executive session.

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 7:00 p.m.

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

**PRESENTATION**

2014-2015 Inductees into the National Technical Honor Society

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Initial revisions to the Student Dress Code section of the Code of Conduct. To gain additional feedback, a committee of students, school staff, parents and other community members will conduct a final review of the dress code.

Public Comment(s) - Tina Sheley thanked the Administration for the initial changes to the Dress Code and made a suggestion regarding some of the language. She would be willing to serve on a committee.

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 28, 2014 be approved.

Motion carried.

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the recommendations from the CPSE meeting of September 4, 2014 and the CSE meetings of August 21, September 16 and 18, 2014 be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

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

Motion carried.

## EDUCATIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the request from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class to go on an overnight, out-of-state field trip to Gettysburg PA and Washington DC on March 17 through March 20, 2015 be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Middle School Local Assistance Plan be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

## PERSONNEL ITEMS

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mr. Bond, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the following individuals are appointed, without benefits, as substitutes with services to be utilized on an as-needed basis. Employment shall be effective through June 30, 2015 unless terminated sooner: Jackie Keller, Middleport; Jennifer Bloom, Avon; Renee Lute, Lockport; Joseph Pawlak, Albion; Shawn Hughes, Lockport; Anna Atwater, Barker; Ashley Austin, Gasport; Laurie Bower, Middleport

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the following 30-hour field observation placement is approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>	<u>College</u>
Melissa Wittenzeller	Lynn Budziszewski and Sue Paolini	Medaille

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Bond, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Diana O'Rourke is appointed as FFA Advisor for the 2014-2015 school year. This appointment and payment of stipend is contingent upon the completion of all required paperwork during and at

the end of the school year. Salary stipend will be \$2,620 which is 7% of Step 1 and is based on the current RHTA agreement. Employment shall be effective for the 2014-2015 school year unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Hoerner moved, seconded by Mr. Koch, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Bruce Matthews is appointed to the position of Varsity Swim Coach for the 2014-2015 winter sports season. Salary stipend of \$4,960.00 is 10% of Step 10 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Gerry Rahelich is appointed to the position of Assistant Swim Coach for the 2014-2015 winter sports season. Salary stipend of \$2,268.00 is 6% of Step 2 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Joseph Pawlak is appointed to the position of Boys Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2014-2015 winter sports season. Salary stipend of \$3,743.00 is 10% of Step 1 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Joshua Kraft is appointed to the position of Boys JV Basketball Coach for the 2014-2015 winter 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 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Don Baker is appointed to the position of Girls Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2014-2015 winter sports season. Salary stipend of \$6,930.00 is 10% of Step 20 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.

5 yes/1 no (Riegle)

Motion carried

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Grace Swick is appointed to the position of Girls JV Basketball Coach for the 2014-2015 winter 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 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Keith Jones is appointed to the position of Wrestling Coach for the 2014-2015 winter sports season. Salary stipend of \$3,780.00 is 10% of Step 2 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the 2014-2015 winter sports season unless terminated sooner.  
Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Michael Bartkowski, who has initial certification in Social Studies 7-12 is appointed to a .6 FTE Teaching Assistant position effective October 2, 2014. Salary for the 2014-2015 school year will be \$29,000, pro-rated.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Adam Taber, who has initial certification in Technology Education is appointed to a .5 FTE Technology teaching position effective October 14, 2014. Salary for this position will be \$37,430, pro-rated.  
Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Greg Martillotta is approved as a supervisor for girls varsity soccer.  
Motion carried.

#### BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL ITEMS

Mr. Koch moved, seconded by Mr. Bond, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, as prepared by Lumsden & McCormick, LLP, and as recommended by the Audit Committee, be accepted.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Bond, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the donation of \$250.00 from the Holocaust Resource Center of Buffalo with the request that it be used to purchase Holocaust books for the high school media center be gratefully accepted. This donation has been given to the school in honor of Emily Faltyn, a senior at Royalton-Hartland, who won the Best-of-Show award in the 2013 Arts and Writing Contest.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Bond moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the following donation of books from an anonymous donor for the high school media center be gratefully accepted: *Tortilla Flat* by John Steinbeck; *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee; *If I Stay* by Gayle Forman; *Images of America Lockport* by Paulette Peca; *The Jim Boeheim Story: Color Him Orange* by Scott Pitoniak.  
Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mrs. Hoerner, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the donation of the book *The Invisible Boy* by Trudy Ludwig from Lorna Seib and family be gratefully accepted.  
Motion carried.

## POLICY

The Board conducted its first reading of revisions to Policy #7210 Student Evaluation.

## BOARD ITEMS

Mr. Koch reported that if the wireless project includes the BOCES wing, it would be a change order of \$21,000+. The Board discussed authorizing the Superintendent to approve change orders, up to a dollar threshold, in advance of formal Board approval. The customary threshold for change orders is \$10,000. Dr. Klatt will talk to Dr. Godshall, O/N BOCES District Superintendent, to review the need for wireless access in the BOCES wing. The Board gave permission to move forward with the remainder of the project.

Mr. Koch also asked that a thank you letter be sent to the staff members who were responsible for initiating the RamPage at the start of last school year.

Mrs. Fry asked can the Roy-Hart and Barker cheerleaders be combined into one team – with both teams at the football games it gives the appearance that they are competing against each other.

Mrs. Fry also asked about initiating a Pass to Play policy similar to Barker's. Mrs. Riegle stated that the Board could look at the current eligibility policy. Mr. Koch stated that Roy-Hart does not have the administrative structure to support it.

Mrs. Fry inquired as to whether there would be a Homecoming parade this year? Mr. Bell, High School Principal, stated that he has contacted all groups but was having difficulty getting staff members (adults) involved. Mrs. Fry offered to plan it for next year if no one else comes forward before next year.

## SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/REPORTS

Handouts – High School Progress Monitoring Report; July 2014 Warrant, Revenue and Treasurer's Reports; O/N BOCES Safety Risk Management September 2014 Newsletter.

Per a request from Mr. Waters, the Superintendent reported that a meeting has been scheduled to discuss what evidence the District has to determine the level of benefit to students' social, emotional, and academic needs/progress at the middle school. He reported that the Administrators from both Barker and Roy-Hart met to discuss the common Superintendent's Day on October 24. He thanked Gary Bell, High School Principal, and John Fiskus, Middle School Principal for their work on the initial revisions to the Student Dress Code.

## PUBLIC FORUM

There were no comments.

Mrs. Hoerner moved, seconded by Mr. Koch that the meeting adjourns.  
Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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Marjorie Masters  
District Clerk