

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

December 20, 2018

A regular meeting of the Royalton-Hartland Board of Education was held on the above date at the high school immediately following a facilities work session.

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Present: Carol Blumrick, Carrie Choate, Sara Fry, Jeff Waters; excused at 8:00 p.m., Jason Wilhelm, Tom Brigham, Vice President, Chad Owen, President

Also Present: Dr. Hank Stopinski, Superintendent of Schools

At 6:20 p.m. Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Brigham, to go into an executive session to discuss updates on employee issues.

Motion carried.

At 6:55 p.m. Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Brigham, to end the executive session.

Motion carried.

President Owen welcomed visitors and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Members of the field hockey team and girls soccer team were presented with certificates acknowledging them as Section VI Scholar-Athlete winners. Additionally, a member of the volleyball team was named a Top 12 Player in WNY.

**STANDING RESOLUTIONS**

Mrs. Choate moved, seconded by Mrs. Blumrick, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the minutes of the regular meeting of November 15, 2018, the October 2018 appropriation status report and student activity treasurer's reports are approved.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Wilhelm, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the CPSE and CSE recommendations dated September 28 through November 6, 2018 are approved.

Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL ITEMS**

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Wilhelm, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint the following individuals, without benefits, as substitutes with services to be utilized on an as-needed basis. Employment shall be effective through June 25, 2019 unless terminated sooner:

Non-Certified Teacher – Michelle Duchs, Tonawanda; Tamara Pessah, Barker; Kelly Sidell, Lockport

Clerical – Michelle Hagen, Gasport

Motion carried.

Mrs. Choate moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Michelle Jennings is appointed as an unpaid assistant coach for girls basketball for the 2018-2019 winter sports season.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Choate moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Matthew Lakes is appointed as the modified wrestling coach for the 2018-2019 winter sports season. Salary stipend of \$1,209.00 is based on 3% of Step 1 of the current RHTA Agreement. Employment shall be effective through the end of the sports seasons unless terminated sooner.

Motion carried.

Mr. Wilhelm moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that due to a temporary increase in duties of a food service helper, Robin Demmin, a temporary pay increase from \$11.25 per hour to \$12.50 per hour is approved retroactive to November 9, 2018.

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Choate, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the request from Michelle Jennings to extend her unpaid child-rearing leave through the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year is approved.

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Choate, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the request from Christina Henderson to extend her unpaid child-rearing leave through January 31, 2019 is approved.

Motion carried.

Mr. Wilhelm moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education regrettfully accepts the resignation of John Fiskus from his position of Middle School Principal effective January 1, 2019.

Motion carried.

Mr. Owen presented a plaque to Mr. Fiskus noting his 10+ years of service to the District.

#### BUSINESS/FINANCIAL ITEMS

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Blumrick, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the donation to the elementary school of: 1 Survive the Quake Engineering Kit, 1 Alexander Graham Bell Problem Solving STEM Kit, 2 Building Brick STEM Challenge Kits, 7 Guided Reading Collections, 2 Bean Bag Chairs, 2 Stack Stools and 3 Active Kids Wobble Chairs from the DonorsChoose organization be gratefully accepted.

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Blumrick, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the items included on the list from the Director of Facilities be declared as surplus per Board Policy #5250 "Sale and Disposal of School District Property".

Motion carried.

Mr. Brigham moved, seconded by Mrs. Blumrick, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Reserve Fund Plan is approved as presented by the Business Administrator.  
Motion carried.

#### BOARD ITEMS

Mrs. Blumrick moved, seconded by Mr. Wilhelm, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Capital Construction Planning Meeting Notes of November 15, 2018, the Safety Committee Meeting Notes of November 27, 2018, the Wellness Committee Meeting Notes of December 4, 2018 and the Academic Committee Notes of December 5, 2018 are approved.  
Motion carried

#### UPDATES

Andrew Lang, Business Administrator, presented the long range financial plan of the District to the Board.

#### BOARD REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

Mr. Wilhelm attended a Music Parents meeting and they again spoke about the support the District has demonstrated to improve the practice and performance space. He also spoke about the Safety Committee meeting he attended.

Mr. Brigham asked if it would be possible to provide a later bus run for students who stay after the 3:10 run for clubs or sports practices.

#### SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

The Board received the December issue of the Rampage; the NOSBA Legislative Breakfast flyer and the October 2018 Warrant, Treasurer's and Revenue reports.

The Superintendent commented on the holiday concerts he attended.

#### PUBLIC FORUM

There were no comments.

At 8:15 p.m. Mrs. Blumrick moved, seconded by Mr. Brigham, that the meeting adjourns.  
Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Marjorie Masters  
District Clerk