

Schuylerville Central School

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

July 29, 2013

Members Present: Stan Barber, Mike Booth, Becky King, Jack Macica, Louis Maggiore, Robert Thivierge, Veronica Wood, and Dr. Sherman

Administration Present: Gregg Barthelmas, Laura Delair, Katie Elsworth, Aaron Grady, John Haggerty, Lynn Mastrianni, and Matt Sickles

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

At 7:07 p.m. President Stan Barber called the meeting to order and led the pledge.

J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to appoint Wendy Morris as acting clerk. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None at this time.

III. BOARD DISCUSSION

A. Elementary Principal Gregg Barthelmas gave a brief update on the elementary school. He stated the Effective Schools Team is rejuvenated and excited. The elementary and middle school staff is working together and very productive. Collaboration is at the highest level he has seen.

Middle School Principal Katie Elsworth stated it was a phenomenal year. She is very pleased with the results of team teaching. Discipline referrals are down. Mrs. Elsworth mentioned the need for more activity for students. She thanked Sue Palmer for all of her work on the team committee.

High School Principal Matt Sickles explained the extra space has allowed every teacher their own room which makes them available to be in the hallways. Rooms were reconfigured by department which allows teachers to communicate and collaborate easier. Discipline had 600 less infractions than last year. Mr. Sickles credits that to teachers in the hallways and the staff developing great relationships with the students.

B. The administration reviewed the Dignity For All Students Act changes. A discussion took place on what steps would be used to inform parents. Possible parent meetings about cyber bullying, Facebook, Instagram, etc. were mentioned. Each building principal reviewed the activities that took place as well as new initiatives for 2013-2014.

D. Academic Road Map – Laura Delair reviewed the literacy steps and initiatives that will be followed for students in grades K-8.

IV. BOARD ACTION

A. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to approve the following consent business items as presented:

- To accept the regular minutes of July 1, 2013.
- To accept the organizational minutes of July 1, 2013.
- To declare bus #115 / vin #1HVBBABN3XH204427 / 65 passenger obsolete/surplus.
- To declare the following books obsolete/surplus: Houghton Mifflin “English” (1990) ISBN 0-395-50266-7 135 copies, Glencoe/McGraw Hill “New York Mathematics” Course 2 ISBN 0-07-869354-3 135 copies.
- To appoint Barbara Lapitsky as Tax Collector.
- To appoint Saron Congdon as Deputy Treasurer.
- To appoint Judi Dunkel as Records Management Officer.
- To appoint Ryan Sherman as Records Access Officer.

- To appoint Ryan Sherman and Katie Elsworth as Title IX Officers.
 - To approve a contract for health services for 2 students for the 2012-2013 school year with Albany City School in the amount of \$1294.82.
 - To approve a contract for health and welfare services for 6 students for the 2012-2013 school year with Corinth Central School in the amount of \$2,046.28.
 - To accept the Claims Auditor Report for March – June 2013 as presented.
- Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- B. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to approve the CSE/CPSE Section 504 recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- C. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to accept and amend the following policies:
 #3410 Code of Conduct on School Property
 #7210 Student Evaluation
 #7554 Dignity For All Students Act
 #8242 Civility, Citizenship and Character Education/Interpersonal Violence Prevention Education
 Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- D. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to accept the first reading of policy #6130 Evaluation of Personnel. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- E. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to accept the following recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED the Board hereby appoints Donna Maggiore as an educational aide in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a 52 week probationary term, commencing on September 3, 2013, at a salary of \$13,849 for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- F. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to accept the following recommendation: BE IT RESOLVED the Board hereby appoints Kim Delaney as an educational aide in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a 52 week probationary term, commencing on September 3, 2013, at a salary of \$13,849 for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- G. J. Macica moved, seconded by R Thivierge to approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby appoints Christopher Bott as a provisional microcomputer technician in the competitive class of the civil service, until the next civil service examination is administered and the eligible list is received by the District, effective July 1, 2013, at a salary of \$31,500 for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- H. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to appoint the following coaches for the 2013-2014 school year:
 Mike DeGregory – Modified Football pending clearance from the NYS Education Department, Lisa Schwartz – JV Volleyball, Wally Dow – JV Basketball.
 Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- I. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to appoint Don Young and Elyse Young as Dramatics Director Advisors for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- J. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to accept the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby appoints Barbara Lapitsky as a Sr. Account Clerk in the competitive class of the civil service effective July 2, 2013. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- K. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to increase Shannon Awilow from a 5.25 hr/175 days cafeteria worker to a 5.50 (five hours-fifty minutes) hr/175 days effective September 3, 2013. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)
- L. J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to accept the resignation of Carrie Eggleston as JV Field Hockey Coach for the 2013-2014 school year.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sue Palmer commented that the Annex facility at Clifton Country Mall is closing in 2 weeks and has 45 cats that need a home.

VI. ANTICIPATED EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

At 7:23 J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to enter executive session to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to article 14 of the civil service law relating to the STA and Management Confidential unit(s). Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

At 9:25, J. Macica moved, seconded by R. Thivierge to return to public session and adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

Wendy Morris, Acting District Clerk