NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

The December 17, 2019 meeting of the Newfane Board of Education was held in Room 129 at the Early Childhood Center. The meeting was called to order by Board President Schmitt at 7:02 pm.

A. Kennedy
M. Baumann, G. Noon, H. Staley, P. Young, M. Przybysz, D. Bedette

The District Mission Statement was read by Trustee Licht.

Motion made by Trustee Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Licht
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for December 17, 2019 be approved.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

There were no remarks at this time.

There were no presentations at this meeting.

PRESIDENT REPORT:
President Schmitt requested information regarding the upcoming retreat and financial planning, funding for the TRS reserve and capital reserve as well as review of the budget development calendar.
Mr. Schmitt recognized the Elementary and Middle School Music programs and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:
Superintendent Baumann clarified the Middle School recognition program for students, it included success outside of just academics. He outlined the budget development calendar and that the April 7 meeting date is still tentative if needed. A handout regarding the TRS reserve was given and discussed. A grant opportunity from the Cornell Cooperative Extension was discussed and the pending MOA to accept it. An invitation was given for the board to accompany Mr. Baumann on Friday to visit the building for the holiday.
A discussion took place to determine if the Board of Education wanted to hold public hearings to consider the Alternative Veteran Tax Exemption. The Board of Education took an informal verbal vote and determined to hold the two public hearings (January 21 and February 4, 2020).

Motion made by Trustee Oudette and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
MOVED, to amend the agenda to include a resolution regarding the Alternative Veteran’s Tax Exemption (10F).
Resolution Carried: 5 YES 1 NO - Licht

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Trustee Casinelli reported that the Student Safety Committee met and discussed how to improve attendance and tardiness. They shared information and discussed how to align the buildings on this initiative.

NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:
A. Traverse represented the NTA, she shared some activities happening at the Elementary.

The Routine Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes.

Routine Order of Business

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, that the minutes of the November 19, 2019 and December 03, 2019 meetings of the Board of Education be and are approved.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the following Warrant Reports for October 2019.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement for the period ending October 2019.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Quarterly Student Activity Funds Report through September 2019.

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Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO
Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon reviewing the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education will arrange for the appropriate special education programs and services to be provided for meetings held as listed in Enclosure 2019.12.17.8E.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

The Personnel Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes.

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Kelli Pines from her Typist position, effective December 31, 2019 at the close of business.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Tammy Fitch who is appointed as Instructional Associate working 6 hours a day and Typist working 1 hour a day; be reclassified to the Civil Service title of Typist/Instructional Associate per the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective September 1, 2019, per enclosure 2019.12.17.9B.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Rick Reckio II, be and is approved to serve an unpaid district administrative internship, effective December 18, 2019 for a total of 30 hours, serving under the direct supervision of Bart Schuler, Business Administrator, in affiliation with Niagara University.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following individuals, be and are approved as unpaid assistants for the 2019-20 school year in the sport noted, with the understanding that unpaid assistants are to work under the direct supervision of the Head Coach and that at no time are they to supervise students unattended.

NAME – SPORT
Terry Gill – Wrestling
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO
Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Vanessa Collura, part time Art Teacher and District Substitute, effective December 10, 2019, at the close of business.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Resolution Carried:

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Jacob Platt be and is appointed as a Fitness Room Supervisor effective December 18, 2019.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Kristina Marinaccio, be and is approved as an unpaid student, participating in field work, at the High School, in affiliation with the Teaching Profession Course through Erie Community College for the 2019-2020 school year, under the supervision of Special Education Teacher Renee Luck.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

The New Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes. (except 10F)

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, that approximately five (5) of the Newfane Varsity Wrestling Team be and is authorized to travel and participate in the Haines Memorial Wrestling Tournament in Fulton, New York, December 26-28, 2019 according to the following conditions:
RESOLVED, all students will travel with and be chaperoned by coaches.
RESOLVED, that prior to the scheduled trip, the coach will provide to the High School Principal a full and complete itinerary, player list, chaperone list, and related details.
RESOLVED, that a field trip request form be completed and the standard release forms be executed for each player and coach in attendance and that same be delivered to the Principal prior to departure.
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the expenses as outlined in Enclosure 2019.12.17.10A.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

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Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following budget transfer be approved:
From budget code
A2110-130-15 teacher salary, curriculum $147,950.00
To budget code
A2110-120-40 teacher salary, elementary $35,975.00
A2110-120-60 teacher salary, middle, 4-5 $20,250.00
A2110-130-60 teacher salary, middle, 7-8 $13,600.00

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A2110-130-70 teacher salary, high $38,025.00
A2250-150-40 teacher salary, special ed. elementary $12,450.00
A2250-150-60 teacher salary, special ed. middle $5,450.00
A2250-150-70 teacher salary, special ed. high $11,750.00
A2610-150-60 teacher salary, library middle $1,125.00
A2610-150-70 teacher salary, library high $1,125.00
A2810-150-60 teacher salary, guidance middle $2,200.00
A2810-150-70 teacher salary, guidance high $2,250.00
A2820-150-40 teacher salary, psychologist elementary $1,550.00
A2830-150-40 teacher salary, speech elementary $2,200.00

Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the attached proposal from Stohl Environmental for the 2020 Lead Testing of School Drinking Water, at a cost of $12,238, be and is approved.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the items listed in Enclosure 2019.12.17.10D and appended to this resolution be and are declared excess property, and;
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, or his designee, be and is authorized to dispose said items.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the 403(b) Retirement Plan – Basic Plan Document and the 403(b) Retirement Plan—Adoption Agreement, as prepared by US Omni and contained herein, be approved and that the Superintendent of Schools be and is authorized to sign the Adoption Agreement.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Due to its length, the following resolution was considered read in its entirety.
Motion made by Trustee Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Oudette
RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education directs the Superintendent of Schools to schedule and conduct two (2) public hearings in relation to the Alternative Veteran’s Exemption from Real Property Taxation under Section 458-a of the Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) of the State of New York. These hearings will be for the sole purpose of soliciting public feedback and response for the Board’s consideration in contemplation of adopting the Alternative Veteran’s Tax Exemption allowable in Real Property Tax Law, Section 458-a(2) a, b, and c to Six Thousand dollars ($6,000), Ten Thousand dollars ($10,000) and Twenty Thousand dollars ($20,000), respectively; and that such exemption should
take effect immediately upon its filing with the Niagara County Real Property Tax Services and shall be applicable to all 2020 assessment roles prepared on or after March 1, 2020.

Resolved Carried: 5 YES 1 NO - Licht

There were no remarks or comments at this time.

This time was used for trustees to share information without action.

January 21, 2020
  • Coordinator of Community Programs update

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Lingle
MOVED, that the Board of Education enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing a specific personnel matter.

Resolved Carried: 6 YES 0 NO
Meeting recessed at: 7:43 pm reconvened at: 9:13 pm

Motion made by Trustee Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Licht
MOVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Resolved Carried: 6 YES 0 NO
Meeting adjourned at: 9:13 pm

CONCLUDING ORDERS
OF BUSINESS

Public remarks or comments

Anything for the “good of the order”

Presentations for Next Meeting

Executive Session

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Seymour
District Clerk