NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

The February 18, 2020 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.

G. Noon, B. Schuler, P. Young

The District Mission Statement was read by Trustee Kennedy.

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for February 18, 2020 be approved as amended.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

President Schmitt shared that the board is not going to vote on the Alternative Veteran’s Tax Exemption. More information will be shared at the March meetings among the board, to discuss what steps are to be taken next. The Board wants to serve the whole community. Action will most likely take action prior to July.

Superintendent Baumann shared an updated budget with changes reflected. Mr. Baumann indicated that he is trying to maintain the bottom line and make adjustments within the line items.

PRESIDENT REPORT:
Mr. Schmitt reminded the board about the Science Fair this week at the Elementary School.
Annual capital project and our financial advisor, Mr. Schmitt inquired what we are doing for the project and does this hinge on the financial advisor? He would like to ask some questions to our current advisors so that a comparison can be made before choosing a financial advisor. He questioned if there is a deadline for a decision of financial advisor? Information will be shared this week per the Superintendent.
SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:
Science fair at El, parent university at the HS, March 20 next superintendent conference day.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Trustee Casinelli, Student safety committee, managing absenteeism and tardiness and action plans. Consequences and motivators. Looking into current policy.
Trustee Kennedy, O/N BOCES, HPV vaccine, requirement at the district level. Newfane is not requiring it until mandated to. Dr. Godshall talked about the budget and advocacy, what can boards do? Trustee Kennedy is concerned that the districts are not being supported by representatives. She feels that the district should make appointments with the Governors representatives to advocate for education. Announced: there will be a NOSBA, workshop at NECC, March 28 for prospective board members, 8:30 - 12:30. NOSBA, has a low participation rate, would like the district to think about if going to continue with NOSBA membership. District Planning Team, goals that the building planning team were looking at, technology - what evidence is there that technology is taking off, what direction should the district go. Trustee Kennedy will put together a basket for the PTSA basket raffle, “leap around Newfane” is her theme.
District Clerk Seymour attended the Newfane Business Association meeting. There is an Opioid Awareness program being offered March 12 at 7 pm at the Newfane Town Hall and Newfane CSD will host the Newfane Business Association Coffee Hour on April 21, 6:30 pm at the High School Cafeteria.

NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:
The NTA was not represented at this meeting.

The Routine Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes.
Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Kennedy
RESOLVED, that the minutes of the January 21, 2020 and February 4, 2020 meetings of the Board of Education be and are approved.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Routine Order of Business
Approved the minutes
Encl. 2020.02.18. 8A

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Kennedy
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 2020.02.18.8B.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved the classification and placement of students
Encl. 2020.02.18.8B
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 Stefanoski
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Amy Murray, residing in Newfane, New York, be and is appointed to a part time position of Cafeteria Monitor, effective February 5, 2020 with a probationary of February 5, 2020 to February 4, 2021, according to the terms and condition of the CSEA collective bargaining agreement.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the individuals listed in Enclosure 2020.02.18.9B be and are approved to work in the District as substitute employees for the 2019-2020 school year, effective February 19, 2020, and a copy of such list shall be kept with the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following students, be and are approved as an unpaid student, participating in field work, at the Elementary School, in affiliation with Niagara County Community College as noted, with Kathy DiNardo, Math Teacher, January 29, 2020.

Samantha Gaines
Carly Taylor

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Chantel Johnson, residing in Newfane, New York, be increased to the position of 1.0 FTE Instructional Associate from a 0.5 FTE Instructional Associate position, effective February 10, 2020, according to the terms and conditions of the CSEA bargaining agreement and the attached Enclosure 2020.02.18.9D.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Newfane Central School District, hereby nominates Anthony Casinelli, who resides at 4053 Purdy Road, Lockport, New York, 14094, for a vacancy on the Board of Education of the Orleans/Niagara Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO
Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Colin Knight from his Modified Track Coach position effective February 1, 2020.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

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

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Ryan Keys and Charles Nagel, High School teachers and Football coaches, attend the NYS High School Football Coaches Association Football Clinic at the Turning Stone Resort and Conference Center in Verona, New York, traveling February 6-8, 2020, also are approved the associated expense, as presented in enclosure 2020.02.18.10A.
Resolution Carried: 7 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 approve the use of Smart Schools funds to purchase fifty Apple iPads, from the vendor Apple Inc. Education at a cost of $16,647.30.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, that approximately up to fifteen of the Newfane Varsity Wrestling Team be and is authorized to travel and participate in the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Class Tournament at Falconer High School in Falconer, New York, February 8, 2020, traveling February 7, 2020 and February 8, 2020, and; RESOLVED, that 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 2020.02.18.10C, and; FURTHER RESOLVED, that approximately up to ten of the Newfane Varsity Wrestling Team be and is authorized to travel and participate in the NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Qualifier Tournament at Southwestern High School in Jamestown, New York, February 15, 2020, traveling February 14, 2020 and February 15, 2020, and; RESOLVED, that 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 2020.02.18.10C.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Eureka Math books be and are approved for purchase from the vendor Great Minds LLC, with a total purchase price of $16,052.68, as presented in Enclosure 2020.02.18.10D.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the district policies #5672 Information Security Breach and Notification, #5681 School Safety Plans and #6550 Leaves of Absence, annexed to this resolution and listed as enclosure 2020.01.21.10H, receive their first reading on January 21, 2020 and their final reading on February 18, 2020.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Licht and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the expenditure for training with Great Minds, of seven thousand dollars be approved per the enclosure 2020.02.18.10F, using title grant funding.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

There were no remarks or comments at this time.

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

March 3, 2020
● Middle School Update and recognition

Motion made by Trustee Oudette and seconded by Trustee Lingle
MOVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO
Meeting adjourned at: 8:34 pm

CONCLUDING ORDERS OF BUSINESS
Public remarks or comments
Anything for the “good of the order”
Presentations for Next Meeting

ADJOURNMENT
Respectfully submitted,
Bernadette Seymour
District Clerk