

## **Regular Board Meeting (Monday, March 20, 2017)**

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Present: Hope Greene, Virginia Rivette, Chris Dudley, Jeremy Putorti (SKYPE), Pat Norton, Samantha Kinglsey, Michael Rocque, Frank Barber, James Brooks.

Also Present: Patrick Dee, Jodi Birch, Richard Trowbridge, Jefferey Keller, Gregg Chappell

### 1. Meeting Opening

Procedural: A. Call to Order 6:00 p.m.

Procedural: B. Pledge of Allegiance

### 2. Board Comments

Information: A. Board President Comments - Jeremy Putorti thanked the community for their support. Jeremy also stated that it was a pleasure serving. He also stated, "One Team, One Goal".

James Brooks reminded everyone that the next Board meeting is April 10, 2017.

Nancy DeStafano and Donna Weisenburn, from BOCES were present to discuss CTE (Career, Technology Education), and Budget.

Donna Weisenburn introduced Whitehall students Alexa Brooks, Logan LaChapelle and Jason Ashline, who described the classes they take through BOCES, how they became interested in BOCES, and how they will use this education in their future. Each student described in detail some of the knowledge they've gained while in the CTE program.

Nancy DeStafano showed a presentation consisting of a new design for CTE Branding, the purchase of a new website that focuses on careers, as well as Early College Career Academy that partners with SUNY Adirondack. She also stated that there is employment training for adults.

Nancy gave a facilities update, talking about having capital projects and the purchase of CTE equipment.

Frank Barber asked about the enrollment over the past five years. Nancy stated that the highest enrollment is in Heavy Equipment. Nancy also spoke about finding employment after graduation, internships and open pathways.

### Information: B. Board Member Comments

Virginia Rivette stated that she attended, "Battle of the Books". She stated that the kids did well. She also mentioned the Adirondack Area School Boards Association meeting on March 16, 2017. She stated that all should call their representatives; "We want our fair share of money".

Frank Barber made positive comments regarding the talent in the play, Shrek. He commented on all of the faculty and staff that attended that were not affiliated with production; kudos to all.

James Brooks comments on what a good time it was at the wrestling tournament.

### 3. Recognitions

### 4. Superintendent Comments

Patrick Dee thanked the BOCES students that spoke at the meeting. Patrick also commented on how programs impact students.

Patrick Dee commented on attending "Battle of the Books", stating that the student's sportsmanship was phenomenal.

Patrick Dee commented on Garrett Stevens being Section II Scholar Athlete.

Patrick Dee Stated that Alexa Brooks received a scholarship from a Post Star event, and congratulated her.

Patrick Dee announced to the Board of Education the Honor Students: 1. Alexa Brooks, 2. Logan R. LaChapelle, 3. Cullen Flynn, 4. John H. Hollister, 5. Hayley A. Stevens, 6. Lauren C. Baldwin, 7. Steven J. Foster, 8. Nadianna Perron, 9. Zachary J. Barber, 10. Brielle L. Gregorio.

Patrick Dee mentioned the Winter Sports awards took place and that the musical, Shrek was wonderful.

Patrick Dee mentioned that there will be a meeting with Board of Elections on March 21, 2017. He stated that this year's vote will be in the gym, not the LGI. This will allow for the showcasing of students' work.

Patrick Dee stated that the Mother/Son Dance is coming up.

Patrick Dee stated that students will be going to Washington D.C. on Thursday, March 23, 2017.

Patrick Dee announced that the BOCES Annual Meeting will be April 5, 2017; Vote April 25, 2017. Patrick stated that he will e-mail Board members to see if they would like to vote at 7:30 a.m on April 25, 2017 instead of at 6:00 p.m.

Patrick Dee announced that grades 3-8 assessments will be next week.

## 5. Correspondence

Information: A. NYSSBA

Nominate a Champion for Change.

NYSSBA's Everett R. Dyer Award for Distinguished School Board Service.

## 6. Old Business

There was no old business.

## 7. Board and Staff Reports

Action: A. Treasurer's Report

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motioned by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Pat Norton and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve Treasurer's Report.

Motioned by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Jeremy Putorti and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve the Budget

Transfers and Extracurricular Report.

Action: B. Audit and Finance minutes.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Audit and Finance Committee minutes, as read by Jodi Birch.

Motioned by Jeremy Putorti, seconded by Frank Barber and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve Audit and Finance Committee minutes and recommendations, as read by Jodi Birch.

## 8. Items Requiring Board Action

Action, Minutes: A. Approval Of Board Minutes

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Board minutes.

Motioned by Pat Norton, seconded by Chris Dudley and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve Board minutes; Draft February 27, 2017.

Action, Minutes: B. Approval of CSE/CPSE Minutes

Recommended Action: Motion to approve CSE/CPSE Minutes.

Motioned by Samantha Kinglsey, seconded by Hope Greene and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve CSE/CPSE minutes; 2/17/17, 3/1/2017.

Action: C. Notice of Budget Hearing and Notice of Annual Meeting, Budget Vote and Election

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Notice of Budget Hearing and Notice of Annual Meeting, Budget Vote and Election.

Motioned by Frank Barber, seconded by Virginia Rivette and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve the Notice of Budget Hearing and Notice of Annual Meeting, Budget Vote and Election.

Action: D. Resignations/Terminations

Recommended Action: Motion to approve resignations and terminations.

Motioned by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Chris Dudley and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve the following resignations and terminations:

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the resignation of Mr. Jeremy Putorti, resigning from the position of Whitehall Central School District Board of Education President effective, April 1, 2017.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the termination of Ms. Jennifer Carson from the position of Teacher Aide/Bus Aide effective, February 17, 2017.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the resignation of Ms. Sarah Hart from the position of Teacher Aide/Bus Aide effective, March 31, 2017.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the termination of Ms. Wanda Wolford from the position of Dishwasher effective, March 17, 2017.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Ms. Sharon Chittenden from the position of Bus Driver effective, July 14, 2017.

Action: E. Appointments

Recommended Action: Motion to approve appointments.

Motioned by Frank Barber, seconded by Jeremy Putorti and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve the following appointment:

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the appointment of Ms. Karen Northrop to the position of Extended School Day ELA Teacher for sixth grade on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning February until State testing

dates at the end of March. She will be compensated, \$30.00 per session.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the appointment of Ms. Brittany Putorti to the position of Volunteer Varsity Softball Coach.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the appointment of the following for the 2017 Whitehall Central School District Board of Education Election:  
Martha Bascue - Chairperson  
Kimberly Manney - Inspector  
Kristen Aubin - Inspector  
Marsha Ross - Inspector

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the appointment of Ms. Alice Porter to the position of Cleaner effective March 20, 2017. All clearances have been obtained.

The Whitehall Central School District Board of Education approves the appointment of Ms. Liz Martineau to the position of Mentor to Ms. Brianna Gates for the 2016-2017 school year. She will be compensated, \$1,000.00, per the WTA contract.

Action: F. Building Usage Requests

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Building Usage Requests.

Motioned by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Pat Norton and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve the following Building Usage Requests:

Nichole Marchioni to use the Elementary School library, March 15, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., for a Kindergarten Girl Scout Daisies meeting.

Mary Hollister to use the Elementary School cafeteria, March 16, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for a Girl Scout meeting.

Action: G. 2017-2018 Calendar

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the 2017-2018 calendar.

Motioned by Frank Barber, seconded by Jeremy Putorti and unanimously carried (9-0), to approve the 2017-2018 calendar.

## 9. Items of Information

Information: A. Submission of nominations for BOCES Board.

The deadline for submitting nominating resolutions for the BOCES Board is Friday, March 24, 2017. Districts wishing to submit a nomination, must pass the resolution prior to March 24, 2017.

This year there will be six vacancies on the BOCES Board. On June 30, 2017 the terms of Daniel Freebern (North Warren), Frank Grimaldi (Mechanicville), Mia Pfitzer (Saratoga Springs), Paul Rice (Bolton), and Stephen Smoller (Queensbury) will end, as well as an additional vacancy this is a partial term ending June 30, 2018.

## 10. Public Comments

Ms. Pam Putorti mentioned Rebecca Putorti being recognized as a Scholar Athlete.

Ms. Penny Hollister mentioned that the PTS has a letter writing campaign regarding, share of funding. Ms. Hollister also stated you could go to NY PTA website to get on board.

Patrick Dee thanked the PTA and stated, "call your legislatures' office," phone calls are very important.

Alexa Brooks mentioned Railroader Nation and PTA will be showing 2 movies on Friday, March 24th. Two Hundred and fifty people attended the last movie night. Alexa mentioned that posters are made for Mr. Montville's Friday Fun Night.

## 11. Executive Session

Action: A. Adjourn to Executive Session

Recommended Action: Motion to adjourn to Executive Session.

Motion made by Pat Norton, seconded by Virginia Rivette and unanimously carried (9-0) to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:06 p.m. for the purpose of the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Patrick Dee stated that he wanted to personally thank Jeremy Putorti with his transition to Superintendent. He also stated that the district is in a better position due to Jeremy's hard work.

Entered Executive Session at 7:08 p.m.

Motioned by Frank Barber, seconded by Chris Dudley to exit Executive Session at 8:02 p.m.

Motioned by Virginia Rivette, seconded by Chris Dudley to enter and exit Public Session at 8:02 p.m. No action taken.