

Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting  
May 9, 2016

The Webutuck Board of Education held their May 9, 2016 meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Kristen Panzer, President  
Cory Chinn  
Nikki Johnson  
Richard Keller-Coffey  
Bill McGhee  
Christopher Mayville  
Judy Moran

Also Present:

Raymond Castellani, Superintendent  
Cynthia Hawthorne, Business Official  
Therese Trotter, District Clerk

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Panzer called the business meeting of May 9, 2016 to order at 7:06 p.m.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**A. Acknowledgment of First Place finisher in Sue Serino's Poster Contest for Earth Day**

4<sup>th</sup> Grader Evangeline Petkovich

Mr. Castellani recognized Evangeline Petkovich, a fourth grade, who came in First Place in the Earth Day Poster Contest put on by Senator Serino.

Mr. Castellani recognized and congratulated Candy Swart on her retirement for almost forty years of service to the District as a bus driver.

**2. PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby opens the Public Budget Hearing to discussing the 2016-2017 Webutuck School District Budget.

Mr. Mayville made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0                      The motion carried.

Mr. Castellani presented the 2016-2017 School Budget to the public. He reviewed last year's budget numbers and compared them to this year's budget. He noted the list of items that were added to enhance academics and administrative processes. The final adopted budget stands at \$21,705,934. The budget to budget increase from last year is \$323,856 which is a 1.51% increase. Mr. Castellani discussed the process of the budget failing and explained that the District is over the allowable Tax Cap limit; therefore, a 60% plus 1 Super Majority is needed to pass the budget.

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An audience member questioned the reason for buying new buses. Mr. Castellani explained they were replacing older buses. There was a question from the audience regarding what the \$5000 for PBIS initiative was for and what Right Reasons was. Mr. Castellani addressed the questions. Discussion ensued.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby closes the Public Budget Hearing.

Mr. Keller Coffey made and Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

**3. STUDENT REPORT**

There were no reports.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from the public:

**5. CONSENSUS AGENDA VOTE**

A consent agenda is a single vote, which approves all asterisked items. Board policy (#008a) prohibits discussion of consent agenda items. Asterisked\* items can be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion by any one Board member.

Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

**6. DISTRICT CLERK'S REPORT**

**\*A. Approval of Minutes for April 26, 2016 Board meetings**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes from April 26, 2015 Board meeting as submitted.

Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

**\*B. Acceptance of March Financial Reports**

Acceptance of Financial Reports as submitted:

Extra Classroom Fund Quarterly Report ending March.

Treasurers Report for the month ending March.

Comprehensive Budget Status Report ending March.

Comprehensive Revenue Status Report ending March.

Claims Auditor Report Warrants #51-57

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Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

C. Delegations – None

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**7. PERSONNEL**

**\*A. Extra-Curricular Appointment**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Extra-Curricular Appointment for the 2015-2016 school year:

NAME	POSITION 2015 - 2016 School Year	STIPEND
David Stenton	Softball Volunteer	No Stipend

Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

**\*B. Leave of Absence**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following unpaid Leave of Absence:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Herbert Day III	Bus Driver	Approx. May 4, 2016 - November 04, 2016

Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

**8. BUSINESS and OPERATIONS**

**\*A. Approval of Budget Transfer #16**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the attached budget transfer schedule #16 over five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Keller Coffey seconded the motion.

Aye 7                      Aye 0              The motion carried.

**9. BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**\*A. Committee Reports -None**

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from the public.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mrs. Johnson made and Mr. Mayville seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of May 9, 2016 at 8:23 pm.

Ayes 7              Nays 0              The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter  
District Clerk