



Monday, March 30, 2015

MINUTES OF WEBUTUCK (NORTH EAST) SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

1. Call to Order

Subject	1.01 CALL TO ORDER
Meeting	Mar 30, 2015 - MINUTES OF WEBUTUCK (NORTH EAST) SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Category	1. Call to Order
Access	Public

Type

The Webutuck Board of Education held their March 30, 2015 meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office.

The following Board members were present:

William McGhee
 Erin Bailey
 Christopher Mayville
 Judy Moran
 Kristen Panzer
 Judy Westfall

Absent:

John Perotti

Also Present:

Raymond Castellani, Interim Superintendent
 Cynthia Hawthorne, School Business Manager
 Therese M. Trotter, District Clerk
 Jon Zenz

Call to Order

President McGhee called the business meeting of March 30, 2015 to order at 7:04 p.m and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. PRESENTATION

Subject	2.01 PROPOSED 2015-2016 BUDGET
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Category 2. PRESENTATION

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Type

Proposed 2015-2016 Budget

Mr. Castellani reported that there was an additional state aid announcement. He is waiting to hear what that means for the Webutuck District. He announced that April 7 will be the final presentation of the proposed budget. April 14 the Board of Education will adopt the 2015-2016 Proposed Budget. Mr. Castellani reviewed 2015-2016 projected enrollment. He reviewed the 2014-2015 budget, tax levy, and State aid figures and the 2015-2016 fixed costs. The fixed costs encompassed contractual obligations, benefits, miscellaneous, BOCES, and ERS/TRS which equals \$537,014. He reported the program requests from administrators are a Math Academic Intervention Services (AIS) teacher, English Language (ELL) teacher and the Naviance Guidance Program for EBIS and WHS Student Program. It was noted that both teacher requests are state mandated requirements. He noted that they can re-deploy a high school teacher into that state mandated Math AIS teacher therefore there would not be an additional cost for that teacher. The total proposed budget with the additional program requests would be \$21,874,172 which Mr. Castellani noted, would be too high for taxpayers. The Superintendent, School Business Administrator, principals and supervisors discussed budget savings and efficiencies by reviewing every line item in the budget. The total savings found after the review was \$542,094. Mr. Castellani went over the line items that were reduced and program efficiencies which included eight positions. He commented that he felt the reductions would not effect program. Mr. Castellani went over each position reduction. The proposed budget after savings and efficiencies for 2015-2016 adjusted budget would be \$21,332,078. He then reviewed the anticipated revenues and there was a shortfall of \$510,833. Mr. Castellani stated they are hoping for an additional state aid of \$150,000, use of OPEB fund (which has been used in previous years) of \$210,833 and finally, use reserves of \$150,000 that would then balance out to a -0- shortfall. Budget to budget increase will be \$81,920 or 0.4% increase. The tax levy increase would be \$210,836 or 1.66%. The proposed 2015-2016 budget meets the criteria of the allowable tax cap set forth by NYS and qualifies any home owner eligible for STAR to receive a reimbursement from NYS. Discussion ensued.

3. *CONSENT 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.

Subject 3.01 APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

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Category 3. *CONSENT 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.

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Type

Consent Agenda Vote

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The amendment called for removing #5.01 Support Staff Resignation from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Bailey seconded the motion (as amended).

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

4. DISTRICT CLERK REPORT

Subject **4.01 *APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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Category 4. DISTRICT CLERK REPORT

Access Public

Type

***Approval of Minutes**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the minutes from March 23, 2015 as submitted.

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

5. PERSONNEL

Subject **5.01 SUPPORT STAFF RESIGNATION**

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Category 5. PERSONNEL

Access Public

Type Action (Consent)

Recommended Action Acceptance of Support Staff Resignation

Support Staff Resignation

This item was removed from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of schools, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following support staff resignation:

Ruth Ramos Teaching Assistant
Effective: April 17, 2015

Ms. Moran thanked Ms. Ramos for her years of service in the district and wished her the best in her future.

Ms. Moran made and Mrs. Panzer seconded the motion.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

Subject **5.02 *CREATION OF POSITION**

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Category 5. PERSONNEL

Access Public

Type

***CREATION OF SUBSTITUTE SUPPORT STAFF POSITION**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Webutuck Central School District hereby approves the creation of the following Substitute support staff position:

Substitute Office Assistant / Dispatcher
Rate: \$12.85/hour

Effective: March 31,2015

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

6. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Subject **6.01 *ACCEPTANCE OF COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION MONTHLY REPORT**

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Category 6. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Access Public

Type

***Acceptance of Committee on Special Education Monthly Reports**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby accepts the Committee on Special Education reports for February and March 2015, prepared by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Pre-School Education and by the Webutuck Central School District Committee Special Education.

Mr. Mayville made and Mrs. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Subject **7.01 ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION (For the purpose of discussing the appointment of particular person or persons.)**

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Category 7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Access Public

Type Action

Enter Executive Session

Ms. Moran made and Mr. Mayville seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 7:49 pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person or persons and discussion of negotiation of contract.

Aye 6 Nay 0 The motion carried.

8. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Subject **8.01 MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Category 8. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Access Public

Type

Move Out of Executive Session

Mrs. Panzer made and Mr. Mayville seconded a motion to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the public session at 9:16 p.m.

Ayes 6 Nays 0 The motion carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Subject **9.01 ADJOURN THE MEETING**

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Category 9. ADJOURNMENT

Access Public

Type Action

Recommended Action Adjourn the Meeting.

Mr. Castellani left at 9:04 p.m.

Adjourn the Meeting

There being no further business, Mrs. Panzer made and Mr. Mayville seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of March 30, 2015 at 9:17 pm.

Ayes 6

Nays 0

The motion carried.