

Minutes

Board of Education Meeting

October 8, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Harry Blish, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT Lisa Benedict, Harry Blish, William Brewer, Andrew Willard

MEMBERS ABSENT Christopher Callas, Harvey Harris, Joseph Sullivan

OTHERS PRESENT Mary Beth Fiore, Debra Palmer, Ryan Benedict

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Agenda:

A motion was made by William Brewer seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to approve the October 8, 2012 agenda with additions/corrections

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:02pm a motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Harry Blish and carried 4-0 to enter executive session to discuss personnel.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:18pm a motion was made by William Brewer, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to adjourn executive session

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF

Debra Palmer – Business Manager ♦BOCES bill is up by \$82,000 (mostly special education) ♦Voting Machines – an extension granted for the use of lever voting machines by school districts ♦slip and fall case in cafeteria is closed

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by William Brewer seconded by Lisa Benedict and carried 4-0 to approve the following recommended personnel items F-1a through F-1d as presented, and being further resolved that upon receipt of final clearance from the State Education Department, any conditional appointments shall be changed to regular appointments, reflecting the effective date of said Board meeting.

F-1 Appointments

a. Substitutes – for the 2012-13 school - approved

Substitute Teachers Stephanie Baker Alissa Faber Lindsay Spaziani Alyson Woychak Maria Bennett
Hope Davis Holly Hamilton Jillian Kapushinski Charles Rimbye Robert Stein Kieren Welch

Substitute Support Staff Alissa Faber Lindsay Spaziani Hope Davis Jillian Kapushinski Robert Stein
Kieren Welch Alyson Woychak

b. Substitutes – for the 2012-13 school year pending fingerprint clearance - approved

Substitute Teacher Courtney Burns Marisa Zilla
Substitute Support Staff Marisa Zilla

c. Tutor— approved

Dawn Call

The Board approved the appointment of Dawn Call as a tutor for the 2012-13 school year at a rate of \$22.50 per hour

d. High School Principal - approved

R. Thomas Boyanowski

The Board approved the three year probationary appointment of Mr. R. Thomas Boyanowski in the tenure area of High School Principal, effective November 1, 2012 if released by his current district of employment, or November 8, 2012 if held by his current district of employment. Mr. Boyanowski shall serve a three year probationary period which shall be effective November 1, 2012 if released by his current district of employment, or November 8, 2012 if held by his current district of employment. Mr. Boyanowski shall receive an annual salary of \$92,000.00 which shall be pro-rated for the 2012-13 school year.

FINANCIAL

G-1 2011-12 Final Audit Report - accepted

A motion was made by Harry Blish, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: that the 2011-12 final audit report of Ciaschi, Dietershagen, Little, Mickelson, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, Ithaca, New York as presented to the Board on October 8, 2012 be accepted.

G-2 Tax Correction - (tax decrease of \$47,646.32) approved

Verizon New York – Map # 500.00-46.1/1

A motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the tax bill for 2012 for Verizon New York for property designated as Tax Map No. 500.00-46.1/1, Town of Horseheads, be decreased by \$47,646.32, from \$52,958.32 to \$5,312.00 and that any amount already paid in excess of the corrected tax bill be refunded. The assessor has certified that the value was erroneously put on the 2012 assessment roll. Said property is a special franchise property whose value is determined by the State of New York Department of Taxation and Finance. Failure of an assessor to act on an assessment of special franchise property which exceeds the final assessment as made by the State Office of Real Property constitutes an unlawful entry error as defined by RPTL section 550(7)(e), and should be corrected for the 2012-13 tax roll.

G-3 Tax Refund – additional amount \$698.80 - approved

Horseheads Heights Associates

A motion was made by Harry Blish, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Horseheads Heights Associates LLC be refunded an additional amount of \$698.80 which represents the difference between the tentative tax rates and the final tax rates on the property at 3162 Lake Road used to calculate the refund for the tax years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and that said amount be paid to David C. Rowley, as Attorney for Horseheads Heights Associates LLC. The reduction in the assessed valuation for those years was decided by the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Chemung on July 23, 2012 and filed with the County Clerk of Chemung on August 7, 2012.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED: Such refund shall be paid by a transfer of funds from the Ta Certiorari Reserve in the amount of \$698.80 and the account #A1964-400-0-00 for the 2012-13 budget be increased for the same amount.

G-4 Extra-Curricular - - re: Student Council account - approved

A motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by William Brewer and carried 4-0 to approve the following resolution as revised:

Resolution Concerning the Thomas A. Edison Student Council Extra-Curricular Account for 2012-13

WHEREAS, the Extra-Curricular Activity Clubs of the Elmira Heights Central School District contains a club entitled 'TAE Student Council' and,

WHEREAS, due to cuts made in the 2012-13 budget of the Elmira Heights Central School District there is no stipend for the Student Council Advisor and,

THEREFORE, there is no appointed Student Council Advisor or Officers for the 2012-13 school year but there continue to be Student Council designated activities currently being conducted by the TAE Class of 2013 and these activities incur legitimate expenses , and,

WHEREAS, it is intended that the TAE Student Council funds continue to pay for these activities,

NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Elmira Heights Central School District authorizes the TAE Class of 2013 Co-advisors and Class officers to approve the expenditures incurred in connection with Student Council designated activities and to submit payment orders for said expenses.

OLD BUSINESS

none

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Professional Performance Review Plan - approved

A motion was made by Harry Blish, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to approve the Annual Professional Performance Review Plan as approved by the State Education Department on September 13, 2012

CONSENT

A motion was made by Lisa Benedict seconded by Harry Blish and carried 4-0 to approve the following consent agenda item K-1.

K-1 Textbook Purchase - Grade 6 Social Studies - approved

Approved the selection of Holt McDougal World History 2012 as the adopted Grade 6 Social Studies Textbook series. Textbooks shall be purchased with Textbook Aid and as part of the regular budget process.

AWARDS / HONORS / ACHIEVEMENTS

- ◆ Superintendent Mary Beth Fiore, Superintendent - President-Elect of NYSCOSS(New York State Council of School Superintendents) starting Fall 2013.

COMMUNICATIONS

- ◆ APPR – Approval Notification Received
- ◆ NYSED – Interim Principal Waiver Approval received
- ◆ October 2012 Advocacy Letter

DISCUSSION

- ◆ High School Principal Transition Plan/Public Notice Requirement –
- ◆ Finalize Board of Education NYSSBA Conference Plans -
- ◆ Cheerleading Competition Update

A motion was made by Harry Blish, seconded by William Brewer and carried 4-0 to approve the recommendation that due to extenuating circumstance the football cheerleading team shall be allowed to attend a competition held on a Sunday. This is a one-time exception and the Board otherwise upholds the current policy.

- ◆ EH BOE e-mail & Individual accounts

Each Board member will have an individual account and e-mail address.

NEXT MEETING

Mon October 29, 2012 7:00 pm -Regular Meeting TAE Community Room

ADJOURNMENT – At 7:52pm a motion was made William Brewer, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 4-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk