



WHITNEY POINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

Whitney Point, NY

Video Conference Work Session via Zoom

WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

6:30 p.m.

District Mission:

To provide an excellent education ensuring that all children maximize their potential, become contributing citizens, and pursue lifelong learning.

District Beliefs:

- All children possess unique qualities and come to school eager to learn and be successful.
- We respect all people within our community and treat them with dignity at all times.
- Learning is a partnership that includes school staff, parents, family and the community.
- Knowledge allows for critical thinking and effective decision-making.
- The community is well served by maximizing the use of available resources and by the responsible stewardship of assets.
- Purposeful and intentional change is a constant that leads to educational improvement and positive results.
- Compliance with state and federal regulations is critical to school district success.

District Vision:

- To be a community of excellence achieved through a commitment to HIGH performance, morale, and involvement.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Stephanie Champney	President	X	
Kathleen Driscoll	Vice-President		X
Brian Jeker	Member	X	
Eddie Maslin	Member	X	
Katie Perry	Member	X	
Thomas Tasber	Member	X	
Christine Widdall	Member	X	
Patricia Follette	Superintendent of Schools	X	
Jo-Ann Sexton	Assistant Superintendent	X	
Zachary Woodard	School Business Executive	X	
Stacey Forkey	District Clerk	X	

Others in attendance:

A. WORK SESSION

Whitney Point Central School District Business Executive Zachary Woodard discussed the budget process and provided a general financial overview. Mr. Woodard shared a spreadsheet to show where the School District currently is financially, what our significant cost drivers are, and our limitations on revenue.

Mr. Woodard stated that due to the status of the pandemic, we are unsure what the next year will look like financially and that he would be surprised if there is an increase in Foundation Aid for the next school year.

Dr. Widdall stated that there are currently no contract raises being given at SUNY Cortland and asked if this is being considered for Whitney Point School District as an option to save money.

Mr. Woodard responded that there are employee contracts with contractual raises, so that has not been considered.

Mr. Tasber recalls a discussion about reimbursement rates being held flat and requested a refresher.

Mr. Woodard responded that last year one of the Governor's initiatives was to group all aid categories together and get rid of the reimbursement category and add a plan percentage. The Foundation Aid would include BOCES Aid and Building Aid. These would not be reimbursement based but would be capped at the percentage increase for that year. He is currently unsure if this will be proposed again.

B. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Follette recommends Board approval of the motion to adjourn the public workshop at 7:04 p.m.

Moved by Christine Widdall

Seconded by Brian Jeker

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,



Stacey Forkey
District Clerk