

WHITNEY POINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

Whitney Point High School Building

High School Library

P.O. Box 249

Whitney Point, NY 13862



MINUTES

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

7:00 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 7:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Others in attendance: Laura Chestnut, Jillian Dukerich, Murphee Hayes, Jeff Isaacs, Jo-Anne Knapp, Julie Lamuraglia, Dan Sweeney, Josh Timmins

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. BOCES Budget Presentation

Mr. John Harvey, Broome-Tioga BOCES Chief Operating Officer presented the 2019-2020 BOCES Administrative and Capital Budgets.

Mr. Harvey explained in detail the BOCES Administrative Budget Component. He stated the Administrative Budget is down from last year 0.78%. Mr. Harvey reviewed the historical percentage increase and/or decrease in the administrative budget. He discussed the District’s apportionment by Resident Weighted Average Daily Attendance (RWADA), and stated the RWADA is up for the Whitney Point District. He reviewed the Capital Budget Components and stated the projection for 19-20 is a slight increase.

B. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

C. MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the Minutes from the Board of Education Meeting held on December 11, 2018.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Katie Perry

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

D. CORRESPONDENCE

None

E. POLICIES 1ST READING

None

F. POLICIES 2ND READING

None

G. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

H. COMMENDATIONS

Ms. Follette commends:

- The Whitney Point Central School District staff and community for their generous donations to the Holiday Program for 201 kids and 68 families. Ms. Follette stated Alice’s quilts donated 31 beautiful quilts to the program.

- The Whitney Point High School Student Council for donating 60 food baskets to the community. Ms. Follette read the list of community organizations that donated.
- The Whitney Point High School Chorus for their festive Winter Chorus Concert held on December 13, 2018.
- The Whitney Point High School Band for their delightful Winter Festival of Music held on December 17, 2018.
- The following Whitney Point Central School District students for their acceptance into All County Chorus and Band:

All-County Band

Abigail Somers, Flute
 Katelynn Hayes, Flute
 Emily Woughter, Flute
 Marlee Smith, Clarinet
 Prudence Harrison, Alto Sax

Rachel Ward, Baritone Saxophone
 Zachary Tucker, French Horn
 Joshua Timmins, Trumpet
 Owen Hodkinson, Bassoon
 Noah Somers, Tuba

All-County Chorus

Rhiannon Craver, soprano
 Cierra McLain, soprano
 Jay Goga, alto
 MJ Peterson, tenor
 John Sluznis, bass
 Alexander Tyo, bass
 Zane Wicox, bass

ADDENDA

- *Whitney Point High School Athletic Director, Murphee Hayes for being named the 2019-2020 President-elect for the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NYS AHPERD)*
- *Tioughnioga Riverside Academy student Ethan Johnson for being selected from the NYS Division of Global Premier Soccer to play for the Germany-based team in a two day tournament including athletes from the entire east coast.*

I. OLD BUSINESS

None

A. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

Ms. Follette pointed out the artwork display in the library.

2. Professional Development and Instructional Technology

Ms. Jo-Ann Sexton, Assistant Superintendent, gave a presentation on Professional Development and Instructional Technology. Ms. Sexton stated as superintendent, Ms. Follette stresses the importance of continually learning and growing as professionals so that we can better our work with students. Ms. Sexton reviewed the District Strategic Plan and explained how it is structured around the Diagnostic Tool for District and School Improvement. She discussed the district's Technology Planning Process. She stated regulations require school districts to utilize shared decision-making teams to develop professional development and technology plans. She

reviewed the list of members that make up the team for the Whitney Point School District as well as the areas of input. She outlined the professional development efforts aimed at improving instructional practice and explained how the District provides training for lead evaluators on providing quality coaching and feedback, and ensures inter-rater reliability. She discussed the district-wide safety, wellness, ethics, and compliance training, the Mentor- Mentee Program and reviewed the work being done with the Special Education School Improvement Specialist. She discussed the benefits of the District's Instructional Technology Program.

When discussing the District's effort to expose students to different types of instructional technology, Dr. Widdall agreed with Ms. Sexton and stated students need to learn how to navigate and problem solve using different software platforms.

3. Resignations

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of the resignation of **Marisa Beck**, Bus Monitor effective January 2, 2019.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Brian Jeker

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of the retirement resignation of **Craig Richards**, Maintenance Mechanic effective January 11, 2019.

Ms. Follette stated Mr. Richards has been with District for 6 years. She stated he has been a pleasure to work with and will be missed.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Art Timmins

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of the retirement resignation of **Laura Chestnut**, Principal, effective July 31, 2019.

Moved by Christine Widdall

Seconded by Art Timmins

Ms. Follette stated Ms. Chestnut has been with the District since 2009. She stated Ms. Chestnut is always willing to go the extra mile to support her colleagues and students in her school, and will be missed.

Ms. Chestnut thanked the Board of Education for the wonderful opportunity to be part of the Whitney Point family.

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

4. Appointments

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the appointment of **Larry Penrose, Jr.**, Bus Driver, effective February 7, 2019.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Brian Jeker

Ms. Follette stated Mr. Penrose is replacing the position held by Elizabeth Reed.

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the appointment of **Marcus Maslin**, Cleaner, effective January 16, 2019.

Moved by Art Timmins

Seconded by Brian Jeker

Ms. Follette stated Mr. Maslin is replacing the position held by Darin Aiken.

6 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstained (*Christine Widdall*)

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of the following 2018 winter coaching recommendation:

Boys Wrestling

Modified

Nathaniel Grubham

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Christine Widdall

Ms. Follette stated Mr. Grubham is a Whitney Point graduate who worked to get his coaching certification.

6 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstained (*Katie Perry*)

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of the following 2019 spring coaching recommendations:

Boys Baseball

Varsity

Stephen Samsel

Junior Varsity

Steve Morgan

Modified

Craig Richards

Golf

Varsity

Matt Poyer

Girls Softball

Varsity

Position Open

Junior Varsity

David Horton

Modified

Ethan Leet

Boys Lacrosse

Varsity

Trevor Erb

Junior Varsity

Position Open

Modified

Position Open

Girls Lacrosse

Varsity

Danielle Montesano

Modified

Samantha Driscoll

Track & Field

Varsity
Assistant
Assistant
Assistant

Murphee Hayes
Position Open
Troy Rounds
Jesse Hartley

Moved by Art Timmins

Seconded by Christine Widdall

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

ADDENDA

1. Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the following 2019 Spring Coaching Recommendation:

Girls Lacrosse

Interim Varsity Coach

Jennifer Petrie

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Thomas Tasber

Ms. Follette stated Danielle Montesano will be out on maternity leave at the beginning of the season.

6 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstained (Katie Perry)

APPROVED

2. Appointment Amendment

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the following 2019 Spring Coaching Recommendation amendment:

Girls Softball

Varsity
Junior Varsity
Modified

David Horton
Position Open
Ethan Leet

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Christine Widdall

Ms. Follette stated this change was made after the Agenda was released.

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

3. Field Trip Requests

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the Eighth Grade field trip proposal to Washington, D.C. on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 through Friday, May 17, 2019.

Moved by Katie Perry

Seconded by Brian Jeker

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

4. Leave without Pay

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of an unpaid leave of absence for **Amy VanTuyjl**, Special Education Teacher, on February 22, 2019.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Thomas Tasber

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

5. Leave without Pay

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of an unpaid leave of absence for **Barbara Kim**, Teacher's Aide, starting Tuesday, February 26, 2019 through Wednesday, March 6, 2019 with a return to work date of Thursday, March 7, 2019.

Moved by Art Timmins

Seconded by Christine Widdall

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

6. District Attorney Investigator (School Resource Officer) 2018-2019 Renewal Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve of the renewal Agreement between the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District and Broome County dated January 15, 2019.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Brian Jeker

Ms. Follette stated the SRO our district has is a true resource and we are very happy. She stated he interacts with parents and students, and kids come and talk to him about different topics. She stated his access to information has really helped the district.

Mr. Jeker asked how many schools have SRO's.

Ms. Follette stated approximately six.

Mr. Tasber stated in the past there has been a little friction around this subject, but he stated the contract was written in alignment with what was best for everyone involved.

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

7. Constellation (formerly Integrys) Energy Contract Renewal

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District renew the agreement with Constellation (formerly Integrys) Energy Service of 221 Lamar Street, Huston, Texas 77010 at a fixed price of \$.04864/kWh for a term of 22 months commencing January 1, 2019.

Moved by Christine Widdall

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

Mr. Woodard stated he was recently notified the contract is up for renewal. Mr. Woodard explained he was able to get them to lock into same rate with shorter term than 36 months.

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

8. Meat and Cheese Bid

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the award to RC Foods, Renzi, Ginsberg, Sysco and Lupo's as low bidders for the January 1, 2019 to February 28, 2019 Meat and Cheese Bid as prepared by Broome Tioga BOCES Food Service Program.

Moved by Katie Perry

Seconded by Brian Jeker

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

9. Paper Bid

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the award to Renzi, Hill & Marks, Sanico, and LJC as low bidders for the January 1, 2019 to August 9, 2019 Paper Bid as prepared by Broome Tioga BOCES Food Service Program.

Moved by Christine Widdall

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

10. Treasurer's Report

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the November 2018 Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Brian Jeker

Seconded by Art Timmins

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the December 2018 Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

The Board of Education thanked Mr. Woodard for his presentation.

11. Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Reports

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the November 2018 Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Art Timmins

Seconded by Brian Jeker

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the December 2018 Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Christine Widdall

Seconded by Katie Perry

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

12. Committee on Special Education

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded Kathleen Driscoll

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

J. BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS

Ms. Follette asked if the Board of Education would be interested in forming a subcommittee to work on ways to involve students with the Board of Education; such as, Breakfast with the Board. Christine Widdall and Kathleen Driscoll and Katie Perry stated they were interested.

K. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

- Project Update – Ms. Follette stated the District met again with the contractors and went through the punch list. She stated the high school canopy should be completed in February. She explained the well lights are turned off until they perform correctly. She explained they are working on a new program and it should be corrected soon.

Mr. Tasber asked about the warranty.

Mr. Woodard stated it depends on the product, but the warranty doesn't start until the inspection.

- Change in High School Schedule – Ms. Follette stated the State Education Department made some changes regarding the requirements for instructional minutes in a school year. As a result, the district has had to calculate instructional minutes differently and will need to add minutes on to the high school day. On January 28th, 2019, the beginning of the second semester, the High School schedule is changing by adding three minutes on either end of the day until the end of the school year and shortening the pass time to 3 minutes from four.

Mr. Sweeney stated they have found a way to provide PM BOCES students with more lunch time before they get on the bus, which has been a concern of Mr. Tasber.

Ms. Champney suggested grace be given to students while they adjust to new pass time between classes.

- Ms. Follette stated the district will be receiving recognition because we are one of two school districts in the state with an increase in the number of breakfasts served.

She stated there were many people who championed the breakfast program. Pam Powell and the three head Cooks collaborated to make sure it worked. She stated custodians also contributed creating ways to assure easy clean up.

- Ms. Follette stated the Northern Broome Addiction Awareness Coalition will be presenting “Learning toward Solutions” – a series of community movie nights featuring documentaries and storytelling about addiction and recovery.

Murphee Hayes stated a local person in recovery has done artwork and will do the presentation.

Ms. Follette stated the district was one of the first to step out and address this issue. She stated childcare will be available. Ms. Follette stated this is a cause that needs to be addressed in this area.

L. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms. Chestnut confirmed the dates for the Science Fair.

M. ADJOURNMENT

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District approve the motion to adjourn the Public Meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Christine Widdall

7 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

N. FYI

Joint Dinner Invitation

January 18, 2019 – Kids’ Night Out, TRA Café/Gym, 6-8 p.m.

January 21, 2019 – No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 22-25, 2019 – Regents & Local Exams

January 23, 2019 – Joint Dinner Meeting, Johnson City

January 25, 2018 – TRA Dance Grades 6-8, 7-9 p.m.

January 28, 2019- PARP Kickoff, CEA Cafeteria, 8:30 a.m.

February 1, 2018 – Yearbook orders due

February 4-12, 2019 – Star Lab at CEA

February 15-19, 2019 – Mid-Term Recess – Schools Closed

February 19, 2019 – Board of Education Meeting, HS Library 7 p.m.

February 28, 2019 – TRA Science Fair, TRA Gym, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

March 1, 2019 – TRA Science Fair, TRA Gym 8:30-11:00 a.m.

March 1, 2019 – HS Snowball Dance, 7-10 p.m.

March 15 & 16, 2019 – *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*, HS Auditorium

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia Burchell
District Clerk