



WHITNEY POINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

Whitney Point High School Building

Library

P.O. Box 249

Whitney Point, NY 13862

WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

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 6:32 p.m.

| | | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| 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: None

A. WORK SESSION

Ms. Follette, Superintendent, discussed the role of the Board of Education and the Superintendent.

She stated the Board of Education's main areas of responsibility are legislative, administrative and judicial. She explained the legislative role is defined as policy making. She stated the administrative role of the Board of Education is the hiring and evaluating the Superintendent, as well as approving and monitoring the budget and district contracts. She stated the Board of Education ensures the budget is appropriate taking the public and tax levy into consideration. Ms. Follette stated the judicial responsibilities relate to formal appeals.

Ms. Follette discussed the qualities of effective school board members. She stated the Board of Education decides the district vision. She explained the Superintendent decides how we are going to get there. She stated the Board of Education stays in a governing role and not an active micro-managing role.

Ms. Follette stated the district has their checks and balances, and she seeks input from the Board of Education who is a liaison between the public and the school. She stated they need to always be evaluating that relationship.

Ms. Follette stated the Board of Education revisits this topic every year as a reminder, not because there are any issues.

Kathleen Driscoll commended the presentation.

Katie Perry stated it was a good summary of the Board's responsibilities.

Christine Widdall stated the presentation included everything she was taught in her training for her position on the Board.

B. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Driscoll recommends Board approval of the motion to adjourn the public workshop at 7:00 p.m.

Moved by Brian Jeker
6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

Seconded by Christine Widdall
APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia Burchell
District Clerk