

BOARD OF EDUCATION WHITNEY POINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PO BOX 249 Whitney Point, NY 13862

Date: May 15, 2012

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.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

| 5 5 | | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| Sara Benscoter | President | X | |
| Stephanie Champney | Vice-President | X | |
| Anthony Burchell | Member | X | |
| Kathleen Driscoll | Member | Χ | |
| Mary Ellerson | Member | | Χ |
| Thomas Tasber | Member | Χ | |
| Mary Hibbard | Superintendent of Schools | Χ | |
| Patricia Follette | Director of Curriculum and Instruction | X | |
| Thomas Strain | Interim School Business Executive | X | |
| Cynthia Burchell | District Clerk | Χ | |

Others in attendance: Darin Angelo, Luke Bailey, Brandon Bendick, Seth Bosman, Laura Chestnut, Jaime Dean, Edward Driscoll, Hillary English, Olivia Gehm, Murphee Hayes, Brianna Howell, Taryn Hubbard, Jeffrey Isaacs, Renee Korb, Staci Malmstrom, Sergio Mattia, Justin McGinnis, Pia Reisdorf, Ellen Russell, Jo-Anne Sexton, Norma Snyder, Brad Snyder, Wyatt Soeffing, Nicholas St. John, Jacob Studer, Amethyst Tracy-Hinton, Bruce Tytler

Minutes

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Minutes from the Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing held on May 1, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 1 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Minutes from the Board Meeting held on May 1, 2012.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Warrant

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the April 2012 Warrant.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Correspondence

None

Policies - 1st Reading

None

Policies - 2nd Reading

None

Comments from the Public

None

Commendations

Mrs. Hibbard commended:

• The Senior High Valedictorian, Ethan McGowan and Salutatorian, Brianna Howell. Congratulations on your achievements.

• The following Whitney Point High School Seniors for their placement in the top ten of the Whitney Point Senior High School graduating class of 2012:

| 1. | Ethan McGowan | 6. | Meredith Summers |
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| 2. | Brianna Howell | 7. | Bethany Atwood |
| 3. | Mark Donnelly | 8. | Andrew Pfeiffer |
| 4. | Samuel Alonso | 9. | Mykalene Gerst |
| 5. | Charity Manwaring | 10. | Jacob Studer |

- Whitney Point High School student Brandon Stanton for his recognition in achieving 2nd place in the Teamworks competition at the SkillsUSA state competition.
- Mrs. Williamson and the Whitney Point Central School District's Grades 6th, 7th & 8th grade band members for the spectacular Spring Band Concert held at the High School on May 3, 2012.
- Mr. Ken Jones and the Whitney Point Tri-M Music Honor Society for their dynamic presentation of Once Upon a Mattress on May 4th & May 5th.
- The TRA Literacy Committee and volunteers for making the Tioughnioga Riverside Academy Family Literacy and Activity Night held on May 2, 2012 a success. Students were able to enjoy illustrations on display from their work with illustrator Bob Marstall.
- The teachers and students participating in the College Now Partnership between the Whitney Point Central School District and Tompkins Cortland Community College. (Please see attached letter and list of students.)
- Ms. Gac, and Tioughnioga Riverside Academy 6th 8th Grade Chorus for the energetic and entertaining choral presentation on Thursday, May 10, 2012. Mrs. Heinle, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Gilbert, Ms. Williamson, and Mrs. Davies assisted Ms. Gac with music, preparations and chaperoning backstage.

ADDENDA

• Ms. Gac, Ms. Williamson and the Tioughnioga Riverside Academy Band and Chorus for their following achievements at the Darien Lake competition held on Saturday, May 12, 2012:

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6 – 8 Chorus under the direction of Ms. Gac 1<sup>st</sup> place in their division – gold with distinction rating (highest rating you can get)
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TRA Select Chorus under the direction of Ms. Gac <sup>1st</sup> place in their division – gold with distinction
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TRA Jazz Band under the direction of Ms. Williamson 2^{nd} place in their division and grand champion for jazz band – superior/gold

7-8 Concert Band under the direction of Ms. Williamson 2^{nd} place in their division – superior/gold with distinction Trumpet section award for outstanding trumpet section

The following Whitney Point Central School District students received solo awards: Bobby Stevens, alto sax; Samantha Goss, alto sax; Justin Griswold, drum set; and Katie Perry received an outstanding accompanist award for her flute solo.

Both groups competed against several schools twice the size of Whitney Point. The judges spoke to the students and commended them on their professionalism during the performance.

Mrs. Stephanie Champney stated the judges very rarely speak to the students.

Old Business

a. Phase II Update

Mrs. Hibbard presented an update on the Phase II Renovation work. She stated the CEA Library work is on schedule and should be ready for occupancy by the end of the school year. The ceilings in the hallways at the TRA are being closed in and the lighting is very good. The general music room and music lab are near completion. Once completed, classes will move from the third floor. Minor renovation work is scheduled for the third floor and will start as soon as the space is vacated. The District is still waiting on approval from the State Education Department for remaining work.

New Business

a. Medicaid Compliance Update

Ms. Jo-Ann Sexton presented the district's quarterly update on Medicaid Compliance. She reviewed the reason for the district's compliance plan as well as New York State's role in Medicaid billing. Ms. Sexton gave an overview of the new procedures for Medicaid. She described the Medicaid Fee-For Service Program and stated the purpose is to provide reimbursement for medically necessary services that are received in schools and provided or arranged by a school system for Medicaid-eligible students with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Effective for dates of services beginning October 1, 2011, services will be cost reimbursed and an annual Medicaid cost report must be filed by each school district. Services are currently reimbursed according to a fee schedule and cost based for transportation. Ms. Sexton described the Random Moment in Time Study which will be given to all NYS providers. She provided an overview of the School Supported Health Services Program (SSHSP) Cost Reimbursement Process.

Mr. Thomas Tasber asked if the district is responsible for responding to the random moments in time or do our contracted services comply? Who pays the penalty, if any?

Ms. Sexton stated she will receive notification every time the district is given a random moment in time request and the district pays any penalty accessed to the State.

b. Superintendent Appointment Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District hereby appoints Patricia Follette, 2930 Holly Lane, Endwell, New York 13760, as Superintendent of Schools for a term commencing July 1, 2012 and continuing through June 30, 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education adopt and authorize as part of the term of appointment all those conditions set forth in the employment agreement with Patricia Follette dated May 15, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to execute said employment agreement.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

Mrs. Hibbard congratulated Mrs. Follette and welcomed her to the District. The Board of Education congratulated Mrs. Follette on her appointment.

4 Aye 1 Nay (Anthony Burchell) 0 Abstained

APPROVED

c. Retirement Resignations

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the retirement resignation of Miriam Venti, Speech & Language Therapist Teacher, effective June 23, 2012.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Anthony Burchell

Mrs. Hibbard stated Mrs. Venti has been with the district since 1979 and has served as a department chair person. She stated Mrs. Venti will be missed.

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the retirement resignation of Dianne Ross, Maintenance A, effective June 30, 2012.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

Mrs. Hibbard stated Ms. Ross was not in the district long before her abilities as a leader were recognized. She will be greatly missed.

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

d. Amend Retirement Resignation

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the request received from Joyce Granish, Home Economics Teacher, to amend her effective retirement date to June 22, 2012.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

ADDENDA

a. Resignation

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the resignation of Penny Kane, Teacher's Aide, effective May 4, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Thomas Tasber

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

e. General Funds Appropriation and Revenue Reports

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Appropriations and Revenue Reports for the General Fund through April 30, 2012.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Anthony Burchell

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

f. Cafeteria Funds Appropriation and Revenue Reports

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Appropriations and Revenue Reports for the Cafeteria Fund through April 30, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Thomas Tasber

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

g. Special Aid Fund Appropriation and Revenue Report

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Appropriations and Revenue Reports for the Special Aid Fund through April 30, 2012.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

h. Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the April 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Ave 0 Nav 0 Abstained

APPROVED/

i. Committee on Special Education

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Anthony Burchell

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED/REJECTED

j. Last Day of School Information

The last day of school for students will be Tuesday, June 19th, with an 11:30 a.m. dismissal. The last day for all aides and food service workers is Thursday, June 21^{st} , and the last day for teachers will be Friday, June 22^{nd} with a noon dismissal.

k. Change Orders

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the following Phase II change orders:

SC-038

Provide all labor, material, and equipment to prepare, form and cast a concrete storm system gutter in lieu of rip-rap gutter at the south west corner of the High School east parking lot for reasons of student safety and property maintenance.

The Contract Sum will be changed by this Change Order in the amount of \$2,754.00.

SC-039

Provide all labor, material, and equipment to repair existing failing asphalt and patch at

multiple selective High School pavement locations.

The Contract Sum will be changed by this Change Order in the amount of 1,097.00.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

m. Certification of Budget Vote/Board of Education Vote

(The Board took a brief recess at 7:34 p.m. to ascertain the voting results.)

Mrs, Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Certification of the Budget Vote/Board of Education Vote as follows:

Budget Vote

Number of votes recorded as voting "YES"

396

Number of votes recorded as voting "NO"

255

Number of votes void

0

Total number of votes cast

651

Board vote (3 year seat currently occupied by Anthony Burchell and vacant 3 year seat):

Votes cast for John Samson

186

Votes cast for Gene Jordan

344

Votes cast for Andrew Palmer

391

Votes cast for Anthony Burchell

259

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Comments from the Public

None

Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Ave 0 Nav 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Executive Session

For matters of personnel and contractual issues.

FYI

Rural Schools Association News - Volume 30, No. 3, Spring 2012 Issue

May 15 & May 16, 2012 - Cabaret, 7:00 HS Auditorium

May 16 - May 18, 2012 - Destination D.C. Field Trip

May 29 - June 1, 2012 - Kinderville

May 23, 2012 - CEA Spring Festival

May 24, 2012 - UPK Registration Deadline

May 25 - 28, 2012 - No School, Memorial Day

May 31, 2012 - High School Academic Awards Night

June 2, 2012 - High School Prom and After Prom Party

June 2, 2012 – SAT and Subject Tests

June 6, 2012 – Ice Cream Social and District Art Show

June 7, 2012 - District Art Show

June 13-June 22, 2012 - Regents Exams

June 15, 2012- Grade 8 Awards Ceremony & Dance

June 16, 2012 – Alumni Banquet

June 21, 2012- Baccalaureate Ceremony

June 22, 2012 - High School Graduation Ceremony

Cepishio & Burchell

Upcoming Meetings

June 5

June 19

Cynthia Burchell District Clerk