

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School
Thursday, March 15, 2018
7:00 p.m.

*Walk-Through Tour
Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School @ 6:15 p.m.*

*Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School Kindergarten Teachers and
Students presented on the use of technology in the classroom*

1. Commendation – Agenda #1

The Board recognized Stefon Miller for his outstanding citizenship and act of kindness by helping to make another student's dream come true of becoming an honorary member of the Varsity Boys Basketball Team.

2. Public Comment – Agenda #2

At 7:18 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No Comment

3. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance – Agenda #3

At 7:19 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Vice-President Thomas Frisbie in the Clare F. Ostrander Elementary All-Purpose Room.

Members Present

Mrs. Anderson
Mrs. Crowley
Mr. Frisbie
Mr. Missale
Mr. Petrocelli
Mr. Spencer
Mr. Andrew Strobach [Student Board Member]

Members Absent

Mr. LoCicero
Mr. Palen

Also present were Superintendent Castle, Assistant Superintendents Devincenzi and Herrington, and Administrators Adams, Albanese, Anderson, Becker, Brown, Hasbrouck, Pantaleone, Salamone and White.

4. Amend/Approve Minutes – [12/20/17 Regular Board Meeting] – Agenda #4

Mr. Petrocelli moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and amend and approve the minutes of the December 20, 2017, (Agenda #6.F.) Regular Board Meeting so as to read:

Current Minutes: Mr. O'Mara moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment for the 2018-2019 school year Fall season:

FALL SEASON:

High School: Brian Vegliando Varsity Football Coach \$5,998

Amended Minutes: Mr. O'Mara moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment for the 2018-2019 school year Fall season:

FALL SEASON:

High School: Brian Vegliando Varsity Football Coach \$6,058

Motion seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried 6 – 0.

5. Approve Minutes – [2/15/18 Regular Board Meeting] – Agenda #5

Mr. Spencer moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Missale and carried 6 – 0.

6. Board Committee Reports – Agenda #6

Audit:

Mrs. Crowley reported that due to weather, the Audit Committee meeting which was scheduled for March 13, 2018, to review the Internal Risk Assessment report had to be rescheduled for March 19, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., in District Office.

Budget:

Mr. Devincenzi reported that the District's final State Aid numbers should be released at the end of the month if there is an on-time State budget. The Board is scheduled to meet on April 11, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the high school library to review the 2018-2019 budget. A proposed budget will be presented at the April 18, 2018 Board meeting. PTO/PTA budget presentations are all scheduled for 7:00 p.m., and will be held on April 30, 2018 at Ostrander Elementary School, May 2018, at Leptondale Elementary School and May 7, 2018 at Plattekill Elementary School. The Public Budget Hearing will be on May 3, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the high school library. The annual budget vote is May 15, 2018.

Buildings & Grounds:

Mr. Frisbie reported that the Buildings and Grounds has not met since the last Board meeting, but the next meeting will be scheduled soon. Prior to the March 16th Board meeting, the committee performed a walk-through of the Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School. In addition, on the March 15, 2018 Board agenda, there is a recommendation to approve the resolution for a Facilities Capital Reserve Fund to be included as a second preposition on the ballot at the budget vote on May 15, 2018, and a recommendation to award the bid for field maintenance.

CDEP:

Mrs. Anderson reported that the CDEP building teams met during the week of March 12th in their buildings to finalize their School Improvement Plans for the 2018-2019 school year. The teams will present their plans to the Board of Education at the joint meeting on March 20, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

Curriculum/TAG:

Mrs. Anderson reported that the Curriculum/TAG Committee met on March 6, 2018. Mrs. Herrington provided an update on the ESSA Grant, which focuses on Active Learning Spaces. She also offered an update on the professional development which has been offered throughout the year, including SMART Board training for all high school teachers. The committee discussed a review of K-12 Music programming, which included a review of current programs, enrollment and staffing. Mr. Salamone, High School principal, outlined the Capstone program that the high school team has been developing. Ms. Werlau, TAG Coordinator, spoke about the First Lego League competition that took place in February and the March 10, 2018 Odyssey of the Mind tournament. The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library.

Health & Safety:

Mr. Missale reported that the Health & Safety Committee has not met since the last Board meeting, but the building safety teams meet on a monthly basis. The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2018, at 3:45 p.m., in District Office. Mr. Castle commented on school safety initiatives that have been implemented in the District, including, but not limited to, an armed School Resource Officer at the high school; the installation of internal and external security cameras, safety film on first floor windows, a single point entry system and greeters in all the buildings; a security guard at the high school and middle school; frequent collaboration with law enforcement to review and practice safety protocols, monthly building level safety team meetings, two additional social workers were hired to address the social and emotional needs of students; and positive behavior intervention programs to promote kindness and positive behaviors.

Legislative:

Mr. Petrocelli asked Mr. Castle to speak regarding letters he sent to State legislators advocating for funding for a School Resource Officer program. Mr. Castle indicated that Senator Bonacic sent the District a letter indicating that two (2) bills passed in the Senate that calls for the establishment of a State grant that reimburses school districts for a School Resource Officer program. One of the bills would reimburse school districts up to \$50,000 and the other reimburses school districts the greater of \$50,000 or the product of \$20,000 and the total number of instructional school buildings with a School Resource Officer program. Mr. Petrocelli also reported that he attended the UCSBA meeting on March 14, 2018, at Ulster BOCES where two guest speakers presented on IDA and Pilot. The Annual BOCES meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2018, at the Career and Technical Education Center, Port Ewen, at 6:30 p.m., where dinner is prepared and served by students in the Culinary Arts program.

Policy:

Mr. Devincenzi reported that due to weather, the policy committee meeting which was scheduled for March 13, 2018, had to be rescheduled for March 19, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in District Office. In addition, there are six policies for second reading on the March 15, 2018 Board agenda.

Technology:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Technology Committee met on March 5, 2018. Mr. Salamone provided the committee with an update on the 1:1 initiative at the high school. He and his team have been working with Tom Hein to plan for the deployment of the Chromebooks in the fall of 2018. Mrs. Herrington shared the Chromebook User Guide with the committee and explained that the guide is aligned with the middle school guide to help facilitate a smooth transition from the middle school to the high school. Mrs. Herrington also shared that all departments at the high school have been provided with professional development for the SMART Board, Chrome operating system, and various apps. Training will continue in the 2018-2019 school year with an integration specialist from Ulster BOCES. Mrs. Herrington indicated that a new timeline for the New York State Technology Plan is due to the state by October 26, 2018. She is working on completing a draft of the plan and will send it out to committee members to review and provide feedback. She stated that she has been in contact with SUNY New Paltz about the proposed delivery of the zSpace lab during this summer. If ready, teachers at the high school will be trained to use the equipment during the summer school program. The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., in the High School Library.

Wellness:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Wellness Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The next committee meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., in the high school library.

Student Rep:

Andrew Strobach reported:

- On February 20, 2018, he met with Mr. Devincenzi, Ms. Bishopp and Mr. Salamone in preparation for a report he has been working on to present to the Board recommending potential improvements to the food service program at the high school.
- On February 28, 2018, students performed in the Music in Our Schools Concert at the High School.
- Applications for new National Honor Society membership were due on March 12, 2018.
- The District used seven (7) snow days and as a result, school will be in session on April 2, 2018.
- No Backpack Friday will be held on March 23, 2018, where students will need to leave their backpacks in their lockers. The high school journalism class is making an informational video with questions and answers as well as a layout of the school. Feedback will be provided via a student survey.
- In Sports - The Nordic Ski, Indoor Track, Gymnastics and Wrestling teams all made it to States. Three (3) members of the Indoor Track team are going to Nationals. Spring sports are due to start and the Varsity Baseball and Varsity Softball Athletic Trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina is from March 24, 2018 through March 31, 2018.
- On March 14, 2018, the high school announced after each period words of kindness and respect, which then culminated into an assembly at the end of the day to honor the victims of Parkland, FL, which included first responders, performances by the Woman's Choir and a bagpiper. The event ended with a powerful speech by a student leader.

7. Consent Agenda

Mr. Spencer moved items 7A through 7C, 7E through 7I, 8A through 8B, and 8D through 8G be taken as consent agenda.

Motion seconded by Mr. Petrocelli and carried 6 - 0.

Accept Retirement/Resignation – Non-Instructional – Agenda #7.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Donna Atkins** from a Full-Time Library Instructional Assistant position, effective May 3, 2018.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Lisa Piaquadio** from the position of Part-Time [0.94 FTE] Library Clerk, effective March 15, 2018, pending her appointment to the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Library Clerk.

Approve Appointments – Non-Instructional – Agenda #7.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Christine Pelzar** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [0.69 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide position, effective March 19, 2018, at a salary of \$10.73 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract) [4.15 hours daily]. Ms. Pelzar replaces Laura Fenick, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Lisa Piaquadio** to a 90-Day Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Library Clerk position, effective March 16, 2018, at a salary of \$15,383.52 pro-rated (\$11.87 per hour, Step 6 of the CSEA Contract) [6.75 hours per day]. Ms. Piaquadio replaces Catherine Padilla, who has been reassigned.

Accept Resignation – Instructional – Agenda #7.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Allison Haugh** from the position of Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position assigned to the Special Education Department, effective March 11, 2018.

Nominate Ulster BOCES Board Representative – Agenda #7.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and nominate **Vincent Petrocelli** to a three-year term representing the Wallkill Central School District on the Ulster County BOCES Board of Education.

Approve Second Readings – Policy – Agenda #7.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the second reading of the following policies:

1. Policy #5410 Bids and Quotations
2. Policy #7420 Drugs/Controlled Substances and Alcohol (Students)
3. Policy #7421 Drug Detecting Canines
4. Policy #7440 Search By School-Personnel
5. Policy #7460 Corporal Punishment
6. Policy #7480 Weapons in School

Approve Substitutes Lists – Agenda #7.G.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the lists for individuals for teaching and non-teaching substitute positions.

Approve Pre-School Special Education Placements – Agenda #7.H.

The Board approve the placement of Pre-School Special Education students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education in its February minutes.

Approve Special Education Placements – Agenda #7.I.

The Board approve the placement of Special Education students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education in its February minutes.

Approve Use of Facilities – Agenda #8.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle fields by **Wallkill Area Youth Soccer** [for Practice and Games] as indicated below:

Mondays-Fridays	April 14, 2018 - June 23, 2018	5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturdays		8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Senior High School Track by the **Special Olympics New York-Hudson Valley Region** [for practices] as indicated below:

Monday and Tuesday	April 23 & 24, 2018	6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday	May 2 & 3, 2018	6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle School Fields and Gymnasiums (Rain Days Only) by the **Wallkill Varsity/JV Girls Soccer** [for a Soccer Clinic] as indicated below:

Monday – Thursday	June 25, 2018 – June 28, 2018	7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
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Accept Treasurer's Report – Agenda #8.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education has reviewed and accepts the Treasurer's Reports as of February 28, 2018 and Revenues as of February 28, 2018.

Approve Legal Fees [2018-2019 School Year] – Agenda #8.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the hourly rate for legal fees to be \$205 per hour [for attorneys] effective July 1, 2018 and to be \$95 per hour [for paralegal services] effective July 1, 2018.

Approve Polling Services Agreement – Agenda #8.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Polling Services Agreement between the Ulster County Board of Elections and the Wallkill Central School District for the use of polling equipment, material, staff and services for use in the May 15, 2018, Ulster County School District elections. A copy of this agreement shall be attached to the minutes and on file with the District Clerk.

Approve Change Order – Capital Improvement Project – Agenda #8.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following Change Order:

Boyce Excavating Co., Inc.:	
GC-01	\$7,730.00

Award Bid – Field Maintenance (Grass Fields) – Agenda #8.G.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and award the Field Maintenance Contract for the Wallkill Senior High School Soccer, Baseball, Softball, Lacrosse and Practice Football Fields for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years as indicated below to:

Landscape Impressions
13 Filomena Drive
New Hampton, New York 10958

Total Cost per Year:	\$9,610.00
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8. Approve Resolution – Facilities Capital Reserve Fund – Agenda #8.C.

Mr. Spencer moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Wallkill Central School District ("Board") desires to establish a capital reserve fund, pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law, for the specific purpose of appropriating sufficient funds necessary to construct renovations to, reconstruction of, and/or additions to their facilities as identified from time-to-time including but not limited to those recommended in its five-year capital facilities plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby submits the following proposition to be included on the ballot at the Annual Meeting and Election, to be held on May 15, 2018:

Shall the Board of Education of the Wallkill Central School District be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund to be named the "Facilities Capital Reserve Fund" for the purpose of appropriating sufficient funds necessary to construct renovations to, reconstruction of, and/or additions to their facilities as identified from time-to-time, including but not limited to those recommended in its five-year capital facilities plan, and including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, the ultimate amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 over a probable term of fifteen (15) years; and that such amount shall be raised from the unexpended and unencumbered funds previously levied upon the taxable property and other such available funds located in the Wallkill Central School District.

Motion seconded by Mr. Petrocelli and carried 6 - 0.

9. Public Comment – Agenda #9

At 7:48 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

10. Executive Session – Agenda #10

At 7:49 p.m. Mrs. Anderson moved the Board enter Executive Session to discuss personnel, negotiations and potential litigation.

Motion seconded by Mr. Missale and carried 6 - 0.

The Board reconvened at 9.12 p.m.

11. Award Tenure – Instructional – Agenda #7.D.

Mr. Spencer moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and award tenure to **Sandra Hecht-Garcia** in the area of School Social Worker effective September 1, 2018.

Motion seconded by Mr. Missale and carried 6 - 0.

12. Close Meeting

At 9:13 p.m. Mr. Petrocelli moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Mrs. Crowley and carried 6 - 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Corcoran
District Clerk