

Regular Meeting Board of Education
Wallkill Senior High School Library/Media Center
Thursday, September 15, 2016
7:00 p.m.

1. Public Comment - Agenda #1

At 7:00 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

2. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance - Agenda #2

At 7:01 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Vice-President Thomas Frisbie in the Wallkill Senior High Library/Media Center.

Members Present

Mrs. Anderson

Mrs. Crowley

Mr. Frisbie

Mr. Missale

Mr. O'Mara

Mr. Palen

Mr. Spencer

Mr. Michael Cappuccilli [Student Board Member]

Members Absent

Mr. LoCicero

Mr. Petrocelli

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

3. Approve Ex-Officio Student Board Member - Agenda #3

Mr. O'Mara moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Michael Cappuccilli** to the position of Ex-Officio Student Board Member for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion seconded by Mr. Palen and carried 7 - 0.

4. Administer Oath of Allegiance [Student Board Member] - Agenda #4

Ms. Kelli Corcoran, District Clerk, will administer the Oath of Allegiance to **Michael Cappuccilli**, Ex-Officio Student Board Member.

5. Approve Minutes - [8/18/16 Regular Board Meeting] - Agenda #5

Mr. Spencer moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the August 18, 2016, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Missale and carried 7 - 0.

6. Board Committee Reports/Assignments 2016-2017

Audit:

Mrs. Crowley reported that the Audit Committee has not met since the last Board meeting, but will meet on October 3, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., at District Office to review the draft external audit and also meet with the internal auditors to review the state required internal audit and testing procedures for the 2016-2017 school year.

Budget:

Mrs. Crowley reported that preparation for the 2017-2018 budget will begin next month. Mr. Castle reported that Comptroller DiNapoli recently stated that the CPI will be low this year resulting in a low tax cap and indicated that State revenue is below projections; therefore, 2017-2018 State Aid may be impacted. Foundation Aid Formula is still a concern and the District will continue to push the State to revise the formula. Notwithstanding, the District will continue to advocate for additional State Aid to ensure that the District receives sufficient funds to sustain programs for students.

Buildings & Grounds:

Mr. Frisbie reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met on September 12, 2016 to discuss the Capital Project. The multi-purpose field will be ready in about two weeks just in time for Homecoming week. Mr. Devincenzi reported that there was a brief ceremony on September 15, 2016, at 3:15 p.m. to open the new Tennis Courts. Also, work is continuing on the softball and baseball fields. Mr. Devincenzi also provided an update on the Capital Project as follows –

- Generators have all been commissioned in the schools; Ostrander will be the last to be commissioned
- Security cameras are operational in all the buildings along with door contacts
- Security film has been completed in all the buildings
- The weight room at the high school has been redone with new weights, flooring and paint
- Work is continuing in the high school auditorium on the sound system and lighting

CDEP:

Mr. O'Mara reported that the CDEP Committee will meet on September 28, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., in the High School auditorium.

Curriculum/TAG:

Mrs. Anderson reported that the Curriculum/TAG Committee has not met since the last Board meeting, but will meet on October 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in the High School Library/Media Center.

Health & Safety:

Mr. Missale reported that the first Health & Safety Committee meeting will take place on October 6, 2016, at 3:45 p.m., in District Office. Mr. Castle reported that this Committee, which includes three police officers from the Board, will be meeting with the Building Level Safety teams on a monthly basis to review plans and ensure consistency throughout the District. The Health and Safety Committee will also collaborate with the District-Wide Safety Committee Team, which includes many local emergency responders. There was a safety meeting held on September 8, 2016, with the local police chiefs to review security cameras and safety plans throughout the District.

Legislative:

Mr. Castle reported that there is nothing to report out at this time.

Policy:

Mr. O'Mara reported that the Policy Committee will meet on October 3, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in District Office.

Technology:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Technology Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The first meeting of the Committee will be on October 3, 2016, at 3:30 p.m., in the Middle School Library. Mrs. Herrington reported that with the Smart Bond monies received from the State, the District was able to deploy Smart Boards in grades K-6. For grades 4-6, one-to-one Chromebook devices were provided to the classrooms as well as new furniture. Several Middle School and High School teachers are piloting Smart Boards and one-to-one devices. Professional development is being provided to teachers along with after school workshops. This week, the Instructional Integration Specialist through BOCES began working with teachers and will continue to assist teachers on a daily basis in the classroom. Mr. Castle reported that new technology will continue to be rolled out over the next two (2) years for grades K-3 and 7-12.

Wellness:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Wellness Committee will meet on October 4, 2016, at 3:30 p.m., in the High School Library/Media Center.

Student Rep:

Michael Cappuccilli reported the following:

- Freshman orientation was a success; seventy students from National Honor Society volunteered their time to assist freshman and their parents with unfamiliar surroundings.
- Students are adjusting well to their schedules and are arriving to their classes in a timely manner. Students have been following the rules and expectations presented to them by Mr. Rydell at their grade meetings.

- *The school has become a safer place due to the increased security measures such as cameras, along with the continued presence of our School Resource Officer.*
- *Technological upgrades, such as the new Smart Boards in multiple classrooms, will be a positive influence to the learning environment.*
- *Course offerings to the student body have expanded with new courses such as Forensics, Drama and Pop Culture.*
- *There is positive feedback among the student athletes regarding the new athletic facilities. The new multi-purpose field, baseball field, softball field, tennis courts and newly painted weight room have generated increased interest among the student body and are positively affecting Wallkill pride. The new athletic facilities are generating community interest and will be a source of pride for the community as well.*
- *After several years, the Varsity football team finally won back the helmet by defeating Valley Central.*

7. Consent Agenda

Mr. O'Mara moved items 7A through 7L and 8A through 8E be taken as consent agenda.

Motion seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried 7 - 0.

Accept Resignations – Non-Instructional – Agenda #7.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **William Chesser** from the temporary position of Construction and Maintenance Coordinator (Clerk of the Works for Capital Improvement Project), assigned District-Wide, effective September 2, 2016.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Alicia DeBord** from a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Registered Nurse position, assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective August 18, 2016.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Beth Melfe** from the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE, 7.5 Hours] Main Office Clerk, assigned to the Wallkill Senior High School, effective September 15, 2016, pending her appointment to the position of Full-Time Attendance/Health Office Clerk.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Tammy Wood** from the position of Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide, assigned to Plattekill Elementary School, effective September 15, 2016.

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

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Alyssa Alessandro** to a 26-Week Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Registered Nurse (RN) position, assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective September 26, 2016, at a salary of \$32,000 pro-rated. Ms. Alessandro will replace Alicia DeBord, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Beth Melfe** to a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Attendance/Health Office Clerk position, assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective September 16, 2016, at a salary of \$19,393.92 pro-rated [\$15.54 per hour, (6.5 hours per day) Step 12 of the CSEA Contract].

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Kimberly Trozzi** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, effective September 16, 2016, at a salary of \$10.57 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day). Ms. Trozzi replaces Amy Sutton, who was reassigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Jennifer Weber** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Leptondale Elementary School, for the 2016-2017 school year at a salary of \$10.57 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract) [6.5 hours daily], for a minimum of 150 days, effective September 16, 2016.

Accept Resignations – Instructional – Agenda #7.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Patricia Long** from the position of Part-Time [.06 FTE] Foreign Language 7-12 teacher, assigned to the Wallkill Senior High School, effective August 31, 2016.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Kristen Romanino** from the position of Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position assigned to the Special Education Department, effective August 24, 2016.

Approve Appointment – Instructional – Agenda #7.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Nicole Passaro** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position assigned to Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School for the 2016-2017 school year for a minimum of 150 days at a rate of \$103.00 per day, effective September 16, 2016.

Accept Resignation – Coaching – Agenda #7.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Francis Mancuso** from the position of Assistant Varsity Cross Country Coach, effective August 22, 2016.

Approve Resolution – Recertification of LEAD Teacher Evaluators – Agenda #7.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following personnel as Lead Teacher Evaluators for the 2016-2017 school year after having received appropriate training in accordance with the regulations of the Commissioner of Education and such individuals are hereby re-certified as qualified Lead Teacher Evaluators for the purpose of conducting and completing evaluations.

Derek Adams	Bridget Becker	Nicholas Pantaleone
Robert Albanese	Scott Brown	Michael Rydell
Marjorie Anderson	Monica Hasbrouck	Anthony White

Approve Resolution – Recertification of INDEPENDENT Teacher Evaluators – Agenda #7.G.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following personnel as Independent Teacher Evaluators for the 2016-2017 school year after having received appropriate training in accordance with the regulations of the Commissioner of Education and such individuals are hereby re-certified as qualified Independent Teacher Evaluators for the purpose of conducting and completing evaluations.

Derek Adams	Bridget Becker	Monica Hasbrouck	Michael Rydell
Robert Albanese	Scott Brown	Yvonne Herrington	Anthony White
Marjorie Anderson	Kevin Castle	Nicholas Pantaleone	

Approve Resolution – Recertification of LEAD Principal Evaluators – Agenda #7.H.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following personnel as Lead Principal Evaluators for the 2016-2017 school year after having received appropriate training in accordance with the regulations of the Commissioner of Education and such individuals are hereby re-certified as qualified Lead Principal Evaluators for the purpose of conducting and completing evaluations.

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Approve Resolution – Recertification of INDEPENDENT Principal Evaluators – Agenda # 7.I.

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Approve Substitutes Lists – Agenda #7.J.

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.K.

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

Approve Special Education Placements – Agenda #7.L.

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

Accept Treasurer’s Report – Agenda #8.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education has reviewed and accepts the Treasurer’s Reports as of August 31, 2016 and Revenues as August 31, 2016.

Approve Use of Facilities – Agenda #8.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Plattekill, Leptondale and Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School fields and gymnasiums [rain days] by **Wallkill Youth Football and Cheerleading** [for Football and Cheerleading Practice] as indicated below:

Plattekill Elementary School:

Mondays – Thursdays October 3, 2016 – November 17, 2016 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Leptondale Elementary School:

Mondays – Thursdays October 3, 2016 – November 17, 2016 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School:

Mondays & Thursdays October 3, 2016 – November 17, 2016 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Leptondale Elementary School Gymnasium by **Wallkill Area Youth Soccer/SUFC** [for Indoor Soccer Practice] as indicated below:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays December 2, 2016 – March 30, 2017 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Approve Resolution - Cooperative Bidding – Agenda #8.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the purchases of products or services through a cooperative bid issued by Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN), on the basis of best value as defined in State Finance Law §163 and General Municipal Law §103.

Approve Resolution - Waiver of Potential Conflict of Interest – Agenda #8.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Wallkill Central School District (“Board”) approves and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Waiver of Potential Conflict of Interest with the Valley Central School District, in order to permit its attorneys to review a September 8, 2016 proposal from Transportation Advisory Services (“TAS”) for cooperative bid development with the Valley Central School District for student transportation services to both parties, which if approved will require TAS to prepare and issue specifications to qualified vendors to bid on providing transportation services for each party on an individual or cooperative basis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the TAS proposal at a cost not to exceed \$6,600 plus expenses in an amount not to exceed \$875; and further authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to approve the TAS proposal, subject to the recommendation of its attorneys.

Award Bid – Agenda #8.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and award the Automotive Repairs Bid as indicated below to:

Wallkill Automotive

19 Bridge Street

Wallkill, New York 12589

Cost per hourly labor: \$55.00

8. Public Comment – Agenda #9

The book for signing up to speak has been placed in the audience, and each participant will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. At 7:20 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

9. Executive Session – Agenda #10

At 7:21 p.m. Mr. O'Mara moved the Board enter Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

Motion seconded by Mr. Missale and carried 7 - 0.

The Board reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

10. Close Meeting – Agenda #11

At 8:01 p.m. Mr. O'Mara moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried 7 - 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Corcoran
District Clerk