

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Leptondale Elementary School
Thursday, February 16, 2017
7:00 p.m.

1. Public Comment - Agenda #1

At 7:00 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment.

- *Members of Orange Residents Against Pilgrim Pipeline addressed the board regarding the pipeline proposal across the NYS Thruway.*

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

At 7:13 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Joseph LoCicero in the Leptondale Elementary All-Purpose Room.

Members Present

Mrs. Crowley

Mr. Frisbie

Mr. LoCicero

Mr. Missale

Mr. O'Mara

Mr. Palen

Mr. Petrocelli

Mr. Spencer

Mr. Michael Cappuccilli [Student Board Member]

Members Absent

Mrs. Anderson

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

3. Approve Minutes - [1/19/17 Regular Board Meeting]

Mr. Petrocelli moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the January 19, 2017, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried 8 - 0.

4. Board Committee Reports

Audit:

Mrs. Crowley reported that the Audit Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The internal auditors started their work on the State required risk assessment in an area identified by the Audit Committee. A meeting will be scheduled for early March to review the draft report.

Budget:

Mrs. Crowley reported that handouts were provided to the Board on the estimated Tax Levy Limit Calculation and projected class sizes. Mr. Devincenzi reported that the District will submit a Tax Levy within the cap to the State by March 1st that reflects a 1.99% increase. To balance the current budget, the District will make reductions including, but not limited to, reducing staff through attrition and health insurance costs. Budget meetings have been scheduled with the Board of Education for March 9, 2017 and April 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the High School Library. PTO/PTA budget presentation meetings are all scheduled for 7:00 p.m., and will be held on May 2, 2017, at Ostrander Elementary School, May 3, 2017, at Leptondale Elementary School and May 8, 2017, at Plattekill Elementary School. The Public Budget Hearing will be held on May 4, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the high school library.

Buildings & Grounds:

Mr. Frisbie reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The next committee meeting will take place on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the high school library. The committee will review the proposed Spring work to be completed. Mr. Devincenzi will be meeting with the architects and engineers next week to discuss the submission of documents for Phase II of the Capital Project.

CDEP:

Mr. O'Mara reported that the CDEP Committee met on February 8, 2017. Mrs. Herrington provided an update on curriculum and technology and shared the results of the District's Opt-out survey. The Committee completed the Biennial Review of Shared Decision Making survey, to be kept on file in the Office of Educational Services. Mr. Brown and Mrs. Hasbrouck discussed updates to the District's K-8 RTI (Response to Intervention) plan. Mr. Rydell presented information on the potential zSpace virtual reality lab for the high school. Building teams reviewed School Improvement Team (SIT) Plans and reported out to the Committee. The next committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 22, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Curriculum/TAG:

Mrs. Herrington reported that the Curriculum/TAG Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The next committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at 7:00 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 continue to meet on a monthly basis. The next committee meeting will take place on April 20, 2017, at 3:45 p.m., in District Office.

Legislative:

Mr. Petrocelli reported that he and Mr. Castle attended an Ulster County School Board Association meeting at Ulster BOCES on January 26, 2017, with Ulster County legislators. Mr. Castle indicated that he and Mr. Devincenzi met with Senator Larkin, Senator Bonacic, Assemblyman Cahill and Assemblyman Miller regarding the foundation aid formula, amending the tax cap and amending laws to provide school districts more flexibility in the use of reserves.

Policy:

Mr. O'Mara reported that the Policy Committee met on February 7, 2017. There are two policies on the February 16th agenda for first reading. The next committee meeting will take place on April 6, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in District Office.

Technology:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Technology Committee met on January 23, 2017. The high school guidance department presented information on the Naviance software they have begun using with students. Mrs. Herrington reviewed the feedback provided by teachers on one-to-one devices for students in grades K-3, and discussed the timeline for future Smart Bond purchases and professional development. Mr. Rydell spoke about the potential for a zSpace virtual reality lab at the high school in the Fall of 2017. The zSpace mobile lab bus will be visiting the high school on March 7, 2017, from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. for a demonstration. The next meeting of the Technology Committee will take place on Monday, March 6, 2017, at 3:30 p.m. in the middle school library.

Wellness:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Wellness Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The next committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for late March in the high school library.

Student Rep:

Michael Cappuccilli reported the following:

- Students in grades 9-11 will start arena scheduling next week, which allows teachers to promote electives and provide students opportunities to choose classes that are appealing to them.
- On February 15th, five high school students participated in the Quiz Bowl at Ellenville.
- SAT and Regents Prep courses are being held after school to help students prepare for their tests.

- Seniors Emily Mildner and Ryan Castle attended the CDEP meeting on February 8, 2017.
- Culinary Arts student Angelina Violante placed second in the Job Skill Demonstration Year 1 Category at the SkillsUSA regional competition and is now qualified to compete at the State competition.
- Mrs. Murphy and some select students interviewed staff and students throughout the District to get feedback on how the new technology has enhanced the learning environment; all responses provided positive feedback.
- The Junior class hosted a bake sale to raise money to be used towards future events such as the prom.
- Mr. Scott and the Yearbook Committee are in the process of finalizing the 2016-2017 yearbook.
- On February 11th, the wrestling team placed third at the Section 9 tournament with Mike Fekishazy winning the Section 9 Division I title in his weight class.
- On February 13th, the Gymnastics team placed 2nd at the Section 9 Championship meet. Emma Frisbie placed first, Mia Frisbie placed second and Amanda Snyder placed third in the all-around.
- The Nordic Ski team placed first at the Section 9 Championship.
- Now that the Winter sports season is coming to an end, student-athletes are signing up for the Spring sports season.

5. Consent Agenda

Mr. Frisbie moved items 5A through 5L, 6A and 6B be taken as consent agenda.

Motion seconded by Mr. Palen and carried 8 - 0.

Accept Resignations – Non-Instructional – Agenda #5.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Ivana Gray** from the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Main Office Clerk, assigned to the Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School, effective January 27, 2017.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Kelly Smith** from the position of Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide [Greeter], assigned to Plattekill Elementary School, effective February 16, 2017, pending her appointment to the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Daniel Taylor** from the position of Part-Time [.50 FTE] Custodial Worker, assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, effective February 16, 2017, pending his appointment to the position of Full-Time Custodial Worker.

Approve Appointments – Non-Instructional – Agenda #5.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Staciann Elliott** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective February 17, 2017, at a salary of \$10.57 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day). Ms. Elliott replaces Suzanne Martino, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Kelly Smith** to a 90-Day Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Senior High School, effective February 17, 2017, at a salary of \$19,980.48 pro-rated [\$16.01 per hour, (6.5 hours per day) Step 13 of the CSEA Contract]. Ms. Smith replaces Louene Ruggiero, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Daniel Taylor** to a 90-Day Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Night Custodial Worker position, assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, effective February 17, 2017, at a salary of \$32,102 pro-rated [Grade 11, (8.0 hours daily), Step 7, night differential of the CSEA Contract]. Mr. Taylor replaces Michael Wilson, who has retired.

Approve Memorandum of Agreement – Wallkill Teachers' Association – Agenda #5.C.

The Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Wallkill Central School District, and the Wallkill Teachers' Association on file with the District Clerk, dated January 19, 2017.

Accept Resignations/Retirements – Instructional – Agenda #5.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Lisa Bender** from the Wallkill Central School District [Speech and Language Therapist], assigned to the Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School, effective June 30, 2017.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Debra Gundersen** from the Wallkill Central School District [Special Education Teacher], assigned to the Leptondale Elementary School, effective June 30, 2017.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Heather Hall** from the Wallkill Central School District [Science Teacher], assigned to the Wallkill Senior High School, effective June 30, 2017.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Sharon Moran** from the Wallkill Central School District [Elementary Education Teacher], assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, effective June 30, 2017.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Elizabeth Vegliando** from the Wallkill Central School District [Mathematics Teacher], assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective June 30, 2017.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Sheila Yoshpe** from the Wallkill Central School District [English to Speakers of Other Languages Teacher], assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, effective June 30, 2017.

Approve Appointment – Instructional – Agenda #5.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Maria Smith** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position, assigned to the Wallkill Senior High School for the 2016-2017 school year at a rate of \$103.00 per day, effective February 17, 2017.

Approve Appointments – Coaching – Agenda #5.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following appointments for the Spring 2016-2017 season:

High School:

T.D. Mills	Varsity Baseball Coach	\$4,386
B.J. Masopust	Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach	\$3,339
Sean Murphy	Varsity Softball Coach	\$3,886
John Shanley	Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	\$3,139
Stephanie Cartica	Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	Unpaid
Eric McLaud	Varsity Boys Track & Field Coach	\$4,386
Natasha Kennedy	Varsity Girls Track & Field Coach	\$4,336
Jennifer Gravelle	Assistant Varsity Track Coach	\$3,659
Shane Regan	Assistant Varsity Track Coach	\$3,659
Jeff Hansen	Varsity Lacrosse Coach	\$3,886
David Kelso	Assistant Varsity Lacrosse Coach	\$3,059
Russel Alger	Varsity Boys Tennis Coach	\$3,109

Middle School:

Nicole Rivera	Modified Softball Coach	\$2,061
Michael Greco	Modified Baseball Coach	\$2,021
Sue McGowan	Modified Girls Track & Field Coach	\$2,501
Leo Sladewski	Modified Boys Track & Field Coach	\$2,621

Accept Resignation – Co-Curricular – Agenda #5.G.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Shane Regan** from the Co-Curricular position of Spring Intramural Weight Lifting Advisor, effective January 25, 2017.

Approve Appointment – Co-Curricular – Agenda #5.H.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of the following individual to the Co-Curricular position for the 2016-2017 school year:

High School:

Kyle Ferraiolo Spring Weight Lifting Intramurals Advisor \$949

Approve First Readings – Policy – Agenda #5.I.

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

1. Policy #1530 Quorum and Attendance of the Board of Education
2. Policy #7620 Child Abuse and Neglect/Maltreatment

Approve Substitute Lists – Agenda #5.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 #5.K.

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

Approve Special Education Placements – Agenda #5.L.

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

Approve Use of Facilities – Agenda #6.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle School gymnasium by **Wallkill Youth Lacrosse** [for practices] as indicated below:

Thursdays March 2, 2017 – March 30, 2017 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Varsity Lacrosse Field by **Wallkill Youth Lacrosse** [for games and practices] as indicated below:

Tuesdays March 21, 2017 – June 13, 2017* 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Excluding April 11, 2017*

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

Mondays – Wednesdays March 23, 29, & 30, 2017 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
April 5, 18, 20, 26 & 27, 2017 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
May 3 & 4, 2017 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

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

Wednesdays and Thursdays	April 26 & 27, 2017	6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
	May 3 & 4, 2017	6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Accept Treasurer's Report – Agenda #6.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education has reviewed and accepts the Treasurer's Reports as of January 31, 2017 and Revenues as of January 31, 2017.

6. Public Comment – Agenda #8

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 7:36 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment.

A community member addressed the Board whether a Universal Pre-K program could be created in the District.

7. Close Meeting – Agenda #9

At 7:44 p.m. Mr. Spencer moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Petrocelli and carried 8 - 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Corcoran
District Clerk