

BOARD MEETING: Regular
DATE: Wednesday, February 26, 2014
TIME: 6:15 p.m.
PLACE: Naples Central School Elementary Cafeteria

I. Meeting Called to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Adopt the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of February 26, 2014 (Board Action)

IV. Executive Session (Board Action)

V. Pledge of Allegiance

VI. Public Comments: The Board of Education invites you, the residents of our school community, to feel comfortable in sharing matters of interest or concern that you might have with us. The Board President will be happy to recognize those of you who wish to speak. We would ask that you come forward and please identify yourself before presenting your thoughts.

Those items brought to the attention of the Board during this time may be taken under consideration for future response or action. (*Individual comments will be limited to three minutes.*)

As a matter of courtesy, we ask that issues related to specific School District personnel or students be brought to the attention of the Superintendent of Schools privately. Thank you for this consideration.

• Board Response: The Board of Education is committed to keeping communication open and transparent. The Board of Education President will be working with the Board and the Superintendent to make every effort to respond to public comments directed to the Board of Education at previous meetings, during the next scheduled meeting.

VII. Points of Interest

VIII. Superintendent Recognitions & Updates

IX. Administrative Reports

- Elementary Principal
- Secondary Principal
- Director of Pupil Personnel
- School Business Administrator
- Student Representative

X. Board Reports

- Policy Committee
- Facility Committee
- Budget Committee
- BOCES Board Meeting

XI. Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation Report (Board Action)

XII. Naples Central School Athletic Hall of Fame (Board Action)

XIII. Business (Board Action)

- Budget Development Calendar
- Amend 2013-2014 Board Meeting Schedule
- Discards
- Policy Approvals
- Health Services
 - Penfield Central School District
 - Canandaigua City School District
 - Rush-Henrietta Central School District
- Amend the Minutes of October 16, 2013
- Establish the Naples Central School Student Running Club

XIV. Personnel (Board Action)

- Appointment
 - Cleaner
- Extra-Curricular Advisor

XV. Consent Agenda Items (Board Action)

- CSE & CPSE Placements
- Substitutes
 - Food Service Helper

determinations regarding where it will go. Board member Joseph Callaghan indicated that decisions will be made annually regarding the inclusion of monies in the budget for safety and security and that a SRO is not automatic. Superintendent Gary Mix noted that in a past position, he had worked with a New York State Trooper who functioned as a SRO and that, although originally skeptical of the benefits of the service, there was great value in having a SRO on staff to deal with any number of issues both on school grounds and in the greater community.

Points of Interest

Board of Education member Ronald Burke noted that the New York State School Boards Association is suing New York State over funding for schools and the Gap Elimination Adjustment.

Mrs. Ulmer noted that an article in Time Magazine indicated that some schools in the U.S. are going with what is called the “tech model” where students spend two of their high school years in college studying science, technology, engineering, and math. Mrs. Ulmer noted that there are some interesting statistics that are coming from studies of these programs.

Superintendent’s Updates

Interim Superintendent Gary Mix noted that the District Office is moving back to the secondary building starting March 10th.

Mr. Mix stated he would be attending the New York State Council of School Superintendent’s conference on March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th and that while there, he would advocate for the elimination of the Gap elimination adjustment, and a moratorium on the use of state assessments. Mr. Mix noted that state tests should still be administered, but only for use in internal purposes.

Rural Schools Association:

Mr. Mix discussed the Rural Schools Association noting there is a gap in funding between upstate rural schools and downstate schools when talking about funding. Mr. Mix noted there are presently 300 schools, comprising 14% of the student population in New York State that are members of the Rural School Association. Mr. Mix encouraged the district to participate in the Rural Schools Association to increase advocacy for equitable funding and representation, noting that the association has a pretty strong lobbying front. Mr. Mix noted that the membership fee is \$600/year and if the district joined now, the district would only need to pay for half of the year, or \$300. Mr. Mix noted that some of the agenda items for the association include restoring the mandated foundation aid to districts and lobbying for access to SMART monies for previous and ongoing technology upgrades if they have already implemented the initiatives that are outlined by the plan. The Board of Education agreed to participate in the Rural Schools Association.

Student Representative

Board of Education Student Representative Lissa Brautigam presented updates on winter athletic results, discussing swimming, basketball, and skiing accomplishments. Miss Brautigam also gave updates on Robotics, National Honor Society, Marching Band, Drum Line, and Academic All Stars.

Elementary

Elementary School Principal Kristina Saucke discussed character education noting that the character education trait of the month was tolerance. Miss Saucke discussed the Rally in the

Valley, the various activities that occurred during the month, and the special day that is being given for the students of the month who exemplify the monthly character trait.

Miss Saucke spoke on the topic of the School Resource Officer stating that it has been great to have Rick Jaus on staff. Miss Saucke noted that he makes a point of being a presence in the building; the students see him as part of the staff; he has helped with some individual situations; he has many ideas for improving school safety; he has made a point of being a friendly presence for students who had some difficult experiences with police; and he is actively involved in the building safety team.

Pupil Personnel

Director of Pupil Personnel Services Alan Moore spoke of behalf of School Counselor Monica Kastner noting that she has done a great job in helping students reflect on career plans and courses.

Mr. Moore noted that he is also pleased to have the School Resource Officer on staff, adding that he has been very helpful in a number of situations.

School Business Administrator

School Business Administrator Mitchell Ball noted that there was a recent change to the Affordable Health Care Act which will delay the implementation of the act for the district for another year. Mr. Ball noted that this will only effect businesses and schools, not individuals that are applying for health care through the exchanges.

Mr. Ball also discussed the Veteran's Exemption, noting that it was hastily enacted in December without any notice to schools; there have not been any schools that have adopted the exemption; the impact on the district is not easily assessed; and that he recommends the Board of Education table this topic for further discussion once the impact can be assessed. The Board of Education consented.

Policy Committee

Board of Education Member Ronald Burke noted that the following policies have been reviewed and/or revised:

- Policy # 7660: Parent Involvement for Children with Disabilities
- Policy # 8450: Home Tutoring (Homebound Instruction)

Facility Committee

Mr. Mix noted that the project is still on schedule and the district is constantly monitoring the budget. Board of Education 2nd Vice President Gail Musnicki noted that the district will be adding an ultraviolet system to the pool for health and safety reasons and that the district will add an additional two rows of bleachers to the gymnasium to accommodate the entire high school student body.

BOCES Board Meeting

Mrs. Ulmer noted that although she did not attend the WFL BOCES Board Meeting, she reviewed the minutes from the meeting. Mrs. Ulmer indicated that WFL BOCES was going to lose grant funding for the virtual AP program and that she had advocated for the continued funding of the program through BOCES back in November. Mrs. Ulmer noted the recent

BOCES board minutes suggested that they were going ahead with the planning for the program for next year.

Miss Brautigam discussed her experience with the online AP program noting that the online course is difficult; having others in the school taking the course makes it easier; the teacher sometimes takes numerous days to reply to questions; it is fast paced and students can easily fall behind. Mrs. Ulmer and Mr. Mix noted this is good feedback that will be shared with BOCES.

Budget Committee

Board of Education Member Barbara Howard gave a Budget Committee report, noting various expenditures for salaries, benefits, debt service, personnel, retirement, operations and maintenance, transportation, professional development, safety and security, interfund transfers, technology, and other areas. Mrs. Howard noted that the state aid estimates from the governor's office have been released and most of the increased funding through the state is building aid to help offset the costs of the capital project. Mrs. Howard also discussed reserve usage and the tax cap. Mrs. Howard noted the district may get to a point where everything cannot be done and if that is the case, some prioritization will occur. The Board of Education consented to all items presented.

Mrs. Howard noted the budget workshop will occur on the March 19th and the budget committee will present some various scenarios for review.

Secondary Report

Secondary School Principal Matthew Frahm noted the NSA would like to start a student running club, indicating that High School Librarian Colleen Betrus intends to run the club for students to help promote wellness; to help prepare for the Schenk 5K; and to teach them what they need to look for when they are out running. Mr. Frahm noted that a waiver would need to be signed by parent/guardians prior to student participation; there would be a minimum of two staff members present at all times; and students would be required to have a physical prior to participating.

Mr. Frahm discussed the virtual AP program stating that it was originally funded through a grant, adding that participation has gone down over the course of the year due to the difficulty of curriculum, noting the program allows seniors to challenge themselves, and that he would recommend budgeting two or three spots for students for 2014-15.

Motion: Gail Musnicki
2nd: Barbara Howard

Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Reports for the month ending January 2014.

Voting Yes: 6 Motion Carried

Voting No: 0

Abstain: 2 Ronald Burke and Robert Brautigam

Motion: Michael Boggs
2nd: Gail Musnicki

Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the establishment of a Naples Central School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Voting Yes: 8 Motion Carried

Voting No: 0

Motion: Barbara Howard

2nd: Michael Boggs

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Naples Central School District Board of Education approves the following Business resolutions as presented:

- Resolved, that the 2013-2014 Budget Development Calendar is modified as presented.
- Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the amended 2013-2014 Naples Central School Board of Education Calendar as presented, delete the March 5, 2014 Board of Education meeting.
- Resolved, that approval be given for the following to be declared surplus property and approval given to discard as per Policy #5250:
 - One (1) Stationary Bicycle
 - Two (2) Kilns
- Resolved, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, with no second required as per Policy #1410, hereby approves the following Policies:
 - Policy # 7660: Parent Involvement for Children with Disabilities
 - Policy # 8450: Home Tutoring (Homebound Instruction)
- Resolved, that the agreements between the Board of Education of Naples Central School District and the following districts for the provision of health and welfare services for children residing in the Naples Central School District and attending a non-public school in the following districts are approved:
 - Penfield Central School District, to begin July 1, 2013 and to end June 30, 2014.
 - Canandaigua City School District, to begin July 1, 2013 and to end June 30, 2014.
 - Rush-Henrietta Central School District, to begin July 1, 2013 and to end June 30, 2014.
- The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, October 16, 2013 are hereby amended to read as follows and subsequently approved: Pg. 8 - Line 47: \$9.75, effective October 16, 2013.
- Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the formation of the Naples Central School Student Running Club, with no stipend associated with the advisor position.

Voting Yes: 8

Motion Carried

Voting No: 0

Motion: Barbara Howard

2nd: Michael Boggs

Resolved, upon the recommendation of Superintendent, the Naples Central School District Board of Education approves the following personnel item as presented:

- Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following probationary appointment:
 - Marilou Schenk, PO Box 23, Naples, NY 14512, as Cleaner, effective February 27, 2014 at a rate of \$9.25.
- Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the following Extra-Curricular Advisor for the 2013-2014 School Year: Naples Central School Student Running Club Advisor:
 - Colleen Betrus, with no stipend associated with the advisor positions.

Voting Yes: 8

Motion Carried

Voting No: 0

