



Board of Education
Phyllis Klein, President
Herb Longware, Vice President
Craig Jackson
Kasey Young
Heather Sheehan

Willsboro Central School
Board of Education

Regular Meeting-Minutes
February 12, 2019

Members Present: Phyllis Klein, President
Herb Longware, Vice President
Craig Jackson (absent)
Kasey Young
Heather Sheehan

Others Present: Justin Gardner, Superintendent of Schools
Brandy Pierce Nolette, District Clerk (absent)
Nathan Jacques
Linda Jacques
Bob Arnold
Laura Bridge
Lorilee Sheehan
Rebecca Palmer

The regular board meeting was Called to Order at 5:02pm by President Phyllis Klein.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Lorilee Sheehan –February 19th at 7:00pm will be the Public Hearing at the Town Hall for the school sign. Talked with the residents next door, the Doyle's and the Lacey's and they are ok with the sign.

Nate Jacques- Asked a question in regards to our schools bandwidth at the last board meeting and Mr. Gardner forwarded the information to Mr. Jacques. Mr. Jacques asked how Mr. Gardner got the information and Mr. Gardner said from Mr. Longware.

Acceptance of Minutes

The minutes from the 1-8-19 regular board meeting were accepted as presented.

New Business

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to approve the special education recommendations prepared by Jennifer Leibeck.

Motion by Kasey Young, seconded by Herb Longware, voted and carried (4-0) to approve the resolution for joint agreement with BOCES regarding the Capital Project.

Business & Finance

Motion by Heather Sheehan, seconded by Herb Longware, voted and carried (4-0) to approve the claims audit report (general fund, school lunch fund, federal fund, and trust & agency) dated 1-31-19.

Motion by Kasey Young, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted carried (4-0) to approve the budget transfers dated 1-25-19.

The budget status report dated 1-25-19 was accepted as presented.

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to approve the transfer from Employee Benefits Reserve Fund in the amount of \$1,000.

Personnel

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Kasey Young, voted and carried (4-0) to approve Deborah Blake as a substitute teacher for the school district.

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Kasey Young, voted and carried (4-0) to approve Kyli Swires, Cheryl Sweatt, and Chris Ford as chaperones for the senior trip to Washington D.C. on May 17th – 20th, 2019.

Motion by Heather Sheehan, seconded by Herb Longware, voted and carried (4-0) to accept Tammy Bigelow resignation as Bus Driver / Maintenance effective February 27, 2019 due to the intent to retire.

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to approve Brett Stevenson as a substitute cleaner for the school district.

Motion by Kasey Young, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to approve the provisional appointment of Arnold “Buddy” Green as a custodian.

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to approve Kim Pfund as substitute cleaner for the school district.

Public Comment

Nate Jacques – Asked why the resolution did role call instead of vote? Mr. Gardner explained typically bigger resolutions need role call.

Board Discussion

Mrs. Klein – Read a statement in regards to the community members question at the last meeting inquiring about a matter related to the Carnegie Hall music trip a couple of years ago. Mrs. Klein also shared Policy #2160 with all.

Mrs. Klein discussed the CEWW Board meeting that she, Mr. Gardner, and Mr. Longware attended. Will be doing some research on John Hattie.

The board discussed their day in school. The district has great things going on with, flexible seating & technology. And everyone enjoyed a great lunch from the cafeteria.

Reports from the Superintendent

- The elementary ½ day on April 5th may be changed to all students ½ day to accommodate a training on vaping & dangers to teachers. Will come and do a presentation for our students and parents/ community. Mr. Gardner has asked kids where they are getting stuff and they answered that they are going to Plattsburgh to buy it. It's not stopping them but it is slowing them down since the county raised the age here.
- Mental Health tip line will be made available to 4th – 12th graders.
- Our health insurance now offers telemedicine 24/7 service at the lowest possible rate of \$8. An Excellus will be coming in to help staff sign-up. **Linda Jacques** asked if it is available for retirees. Mr. Gardner answered yes.
- If the free & reduced lunch program meets the 40% baseline on April 1st, all students would eat for free. If accepted and chose to offer it we would have it for 4 to 5 years.
- Budget calendar was presented.
- If anyone is interested in being on the BOCES Board, Mr. Gardner has information.
- A District Communication Guidelines will be going out to everyone.

Executive Session

Motion by Heather Sheehan, seconded by Herb Longware, voted and carried (4-0) to enter into executive session at 5:53pm, to discuss employee history.

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to end executive session at 6:22pm.

Adjournment

Motion by Herb Longware, seconded by Heather Sheehan, voted and carried (4-0) to adjourn the meeting at 6:23pm.

Kasey Young, Board Member