

Elementary Principal – Bethellen Mannix
Middle/High School Principal – Brian George

HARTFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Hartford, New York

Minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting August 19, 2013

Board Members Present – Mr. Brian Getty, President Mrs. Janine Thomas, Vice-President Mr. Philip Jessen, Mr. Adam Fish and Mr. Ronald Smith

Board Members Absent – none

Guests – Sean Farley, Russell Wade

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
 - Brian Getty, President, Board of Education opened the meeting at 7:00 am
2. Prayer
 - Mr. Jessen
3. Welcome
 - 3.1 Public to be Heard - none
4. Review and Approval of Minutes
 - 4.1 Minutes from the Reorganizational Meeting held on July 15, 2013 – The Board of Education approved the minutes from the July 15, 2013, Reorganizational Meeting. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
 - 4.2 Minutes from the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on July 15, 2013 – The Board of Education approved the minutes from the July 15, 2013 Regular Board of Education Meeting. Motion made by Mrs. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Jessen. Approved 5-0.
 - 4.3 Minutes from the Special Board of Education Meeting held on July 23, 2013 – The Board of Education approved the minutes from the July 23, 2013 Special Meeting of the Board of Education. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
5. Review and Approval of the District’s Financial Reports
 - 5.1 Treasurer’s Report
 - 5.2 Warrants
 - 5.3 Cafeteria Report – The Board of Education approved the financial reports with the addition of \$156,132.55 BOCES Health Insurance bill for September. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
 - 5.4 Budget Summary: 2012-2013 (*Informational Only*)
6. Superintendent’s Report – We are now putting the BOE packet on a secure site for board members to review or print with the anticipation of a savings to the district from not printing everything out. The enrollment as of tonight is about 456 students which includes Pre-K. September 3 – Superintendent Day starting at 8 am – an invitation to the board. School starts on September 4th.
7. Building Principals and Department Supervisor Reports
 - 7.1 Elementary Report – Mrs. Bethellen Mannix – Chronicle articles were read. Kindergarten Round up will be August 28th for a meet and greet. There was a question from the board regarding what ‘504’ entailed. Bethellen explained that ‘504’ Plan is a plan developed to ensure that a child who has a disability identified under the law and is attending an elementary or secondary educational institution receives accommodations that will ensure their academic success and access to the learning environment.
 - 7.2 Secondary Report – Mr. Brian George - Fall Sport Tryouts - Started Today; Soccer and Volleyball – 7:00 – 10:00 am; – Summer School: Regents tests were last week. Should receive results in the next two weeks. 10 students were enrolled. Distance Learning is moving Along - Room has been painted, Rug is installed, Room has been wired, Waiting on Time Warner to upgrade and connect Fiber Optics Cables, Technical Training Scheduled – August 26th 9:00 – 10:30; Instructional Training

Scheduled - August 28th 9:00 – 12:00; Hope to be up and running September 4th. 3-8 NYS ELA and Math Results Released - Results were what was expected and in line with what most districts across the state and Washington County saw. Important to keep in mind that this is not a reflection of a decrease in student ability or how hard our teachers work but a raise in standards and expectation and will be used as a baseline in which to work from. Upcoming Dates: 6th Grade Orientation- Tuesday, August 27th @ 6:30. Principal Ice Cream Social - Thursday, August 29th @ 6:00.

8. Old Business - There is no old business to conduct
9. New Business
 - 9.1 CPSE/CSE/504 Recommendations
Recommended Action: That, pending any questions, the Board of Education accepted the recommendations of the CPSE/CSE Committee. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
 - 9.2 Official Newspaper of the District (Granville Sentinel): At the reorganizational meeting held on July 15th, Mr. Fish recommended, and other members of the Board of Education agreed, that the District should add “The Granville Sentinel” as an official newspaper of the District. Upon the acceptance of the motion, the District will have two official newspapers: “The Post Star” and “The Granville Sentinel.” – The Board of Education added “The Granville Sentinel” as an official newspaper of the District. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mr. Fish. Approved 5-0.
 - 9.3 Revision of Transportation Policy #710 – *First Reading*: The revised policy reflects the decision of the Board of Education and administration to charge organizations for costs associated with transportation for extra-curricular activities. The Board of Education approved the first reading. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mr. Fish. Approved 5-0.
 - 9.4 Faculty Resignation: Mrs. Rhonda Rosario has submitted a letter of resignation effective August 31, 2013. – The Board of Education accepted Mrs. Rosario’s resignation from the Hartford Central School District effective August 31, 2013.
 - 9.5 Surplus Property: Mrs. Mannix has forwarded a request to deem seven (7) SMARTBoard stands as surplus property. These stands are no longer needed as the result of the SMARTBoards being attached to the classroom walls. – The Board of Education identified the listed items as surplus property and authorized the District to properly dispose of the items (*including contacting area schools to see if they could use the stands*). Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
 - 9.6 Approval of CPSE/CSE/504 Committee and Parent Members for 2013-2014: Mrs. Mannix has forwarded a listing of the recommended CPSE/CSE/504 Parent and Committee Members for the 2013-2014 school year. – The Board of Education approved the proposed Parent and Committee Members for the CPSE/CSE/504 Committee for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
 - 9.7 Tentative Contractual Agreement with the School Bus Drivers: Included within the Board of Education packet is a listing of the tentative agreements negotiated with the School Bus Drivers’ Association. *All the proposed changes fall within the guidelines authorized by the Board of Education.* Once approved by the Board of Education, the proposed contractual changes will be voted on by the association members. – The Board of Education approved the proposed contractual changes within the Contract of Agreement between the Hartford Central School District and the School Bus Drivers’ Association. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.
 - 9.8 Establishment of 2013-2014 Tax Levy – As the board is aware, voters approved the proposed 2013-2014 budget that carried a 2.93% increase in the tax levy. It is a requirement the board formally adopts the tax levy associated with the budget. – The Board of Education formally approved the total tax levy of \$3,355,679 for the 2013-14 School Year. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.

- 9.9 LEA Representative for Asbestos related issues: The Environmental Protection Agency requires that each Local Educational Agency appoint a person to ensure that schools comply with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA, 40CFR763). – The Board of Education appointed Gary Jones as the District’s Representative for Asbestos related issues. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0.

After seeing the NYSSBA presentation the board, they have asked Mr. Cook to check with other schools for their opinion and use of NYSSBA.

- 10.0 Executive Session – Recommend the Board of Education adjourn at 7:38 pm to Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel. Motion made by Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Approved 5-0

- 11.0 Adjournment – 8:55 pm motion by Mr. Jessen and second by Mr. Fish to return to open session. No further action would be taken by the Board of Education Board adjourned at 8:57 pm on a motion from Mr. Jessen and seconded by Mr. Fish. Approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie M. Durling
District Clerk