

**HADLEY- LUZERNE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
November 18, 2013
STUART M. TOWNSEND MS LGI 6:30 pm**

MINUTES

Meeting Place: Stuart M. Townsend Middle School, LGI
Members Present: Mr. Othmer, Mr. Hanlon, Mrs. Visscher, Mr. Novotarski (6:34 PM),
Members Absent: Mrs. Lombardi
Others in Attendance: Superintendent – Paul Berry, HS Principal- Beecher Baker, MS
Principal - Patrick Cronin, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment/PK-2 Principal -
Elizabeth Hayes, School Business Administrator – Timothy Hilker, Superintendent of
Buildings & Grounds-Tink Wright, and 10+ others.

CALL TO ORDER

President Othmer called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STUDENT COMMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Resignation letter from bus driver Herbie Lewis read.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

Building principals - Elizabeth Hayes, Patrick Cronin and Beecher Baker presented the attached PowerPoint on each building's DDI progress, and Strategic Action Plan update. The topics discussed were Council of Prevention, anti-student bullying, assemblies, training, mentoring, sharing, natural helpers, internet safety, character education, arts n' education, peace poster contest, HL Lions/Lioness club, Santa Sprint, food drive, safety, fire prevention, poverty, vision issues, Dr. Fox, Primary Project, computer lab, promethean board, projectors, iPads and common core.

There was much discussion on the NYS Common Core. Mr. Hanlon expressed concern over the standards and noted that college presidents are expressing concern. The stress over such changes was discussed and a Public Forum on the Common Core is scheduled for Wednesday, November 20, 2013 at Schroon Lake CSD sponsored by the Senator Betty Little, Schroon Lake School Superintendent Bonnie Finnerty, and the State Education Commissioner, John King, Jr.

The overview of the Poverty Conference held at the district was presented by Mrs. Hayes. (attached)

Distance Learning - Mr. Baker presented the history of the distance learning at Hadley-Luzerne High School. The high school has a DL room all set up, and ready to be upgraded and connected once the board approves. Mr. David Ashdown, Coordinator for Instructional Technology Integration Programs at the WSWHE BOCES presented the DL schedule and the number of schools in eastern New York who utilize the Distance Learning Program (attached). There was much discussion with the board giving verbal go ahead with the preparation, with final action to be taken at the next board meeting. The administration will determine when to implement the distant learning lab for classes and give a recommendation to the board at that time. The financial data was discussed as detailed in the attached documents.

OLD BUSINESS

TBS BFP Preventative Maintenance Services Agreement Renewal - HS, ES, MS

Motion by Mr. Hanlon

Resolution #86

As Recommended by the superintendent - BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District that the agreement and terms within, between the District and Technical Building Services, Inc., to provide a Back Flow Inspection services as described in the attached schedule for the annual sum of \$450.00, effective December 1, 2013 through November 30, 2014 and directs the HL Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds to sign the agreement.

Seconded by Mrs. Visscher

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

Policy Changes

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #87

As recommended by the Superintendent - BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education of Hadley-Luzerne Central School District acknowledges the second reading of the following and approves as HLCS Policy:

5250, Disposal of District Property

6124, NEW - Staff Requests for Accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act as Amended (ADAAA)

6130, Evaluation of Staff (not covered by §3012-c of Education Law)

6131, NEW - Building Principal and Classroom Teacher Evaluation

7222, Diploma and Credential Options for Students with Disabilities

7513, Student Health Services (policy and regulation)

7620, Programs for Students with Disabilities Under the IDEA & New York's Education Law Article 89

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Hanlon to approve resolutions 88-89:

Board Meeting Minutes

Resolution #88

Approve the October 21, 2013 regular meeting minutes.

Board Meeting Minutes

Resolution #89

Approve the November 4, 2013 committee meeting minutes.

Seconded by Mrs. Visscher

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS

NYSSBA Membership

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #90

As recommended by the superintendent - BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District that the district continues its membership with the New York State School Boards Association for 2014 in the amount of \$6,617.

Seconded by Mr. Hanlon

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

PERSONNEL

RETIREMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Herbie Lewis
Resolution #91

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District to accept the resignation from Herbie Lewis from the position of school bus driver effective November 18, 2013.

Seconded by Mr. Hanlon

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

APPOINTMENTS - HLTA

Motion by Mr. Hanlon

Resolution #92

As recommended by the superintendent, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District that the following person be granted appointment to the position(s) below according to the HLTA Agreement. Such appointment(s) and the employment of the following individual(s) are subject to termination upon written notice from the board of education.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Stipend/wage</u>
Anne Green	Chaperone	2013-2014 school year	\$52 per event
Derry Hagadorn	Chaperone	2013-2014 school year	\$52 per event
Carrie Wilson	Chaperone	2013-2014 school year	\$52 per event
Kim Ott	Shot Clock	2013-2014 school year	\$35 per event
Robert Duffy	Shot Clock	2013-2014 school year	\$35 per event
Robert Duffy	Score Clock	2013-2014 school year	\$52 per event
Kim Ott	Score Clock	2013-2014 school year	\$52 per event
Carrie Wilson	6 th period class	11/25/13 to 6/30/2014	\$1550 annualized

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

APPOINTMENTS – OTHER

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Herbie Lewis
Resolution #93

As recommended by the superintendent, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District that Herbie Lewis be granted appointment to the position of substitute bus driver, effective November 19, 2013 for the hourly rate of \$15.16.

Seconded by Mr. Hanlon

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

Motion by Mr. Hanlon

Resolution #94

As recommended by the superintendent - accept warrants #20 (\$14,277.74), #21 (\$444,917.51),

#23 (\$105628.74), #24 (\$10,162.12), #25 (\$133,646.78)
Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Mr. Hanlon

Resolution #95

As recommended by the superintendent for the board of education to accept the July and August 2013 Treasurer's Reports.

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

RE-LEVY UNPAID TAXES TO THE COUNTIES

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #96

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District to approve the list of assessments and taxes that will be re-levied to Saratoga and Warren Counties Effective November 5, 2013 in the amount of \$1,952,454.53 (Taxes \$1,939,426.99 + Penalties \$13,027.54)

Seconded by Mr. Hanlon

Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carried

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #97

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District hereby approves the request for an unpaid leave of absence as requested by Dixie Emrick (Bus Driver) from approximately November 21, 2013 to January 12, 2014, as an unpaid leave.

Pursuant to the Memorandum of Agreement with the CSEA dated September 5, 2007 which provides, in part:

2. b. *Bargaining unit members employed prior to July 1, 2007: Up to ten (10) days per year. Requested leave beyond ten (10) days is at the sole discretion of the board.*

Seconded by Mr. Othmer

Roll Call

Yes: 0 No: 4 Abstain: 0

Motion failed

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gemma Hanlon, Parent: Mrs. Hanlon urged the board members to look at the common core and noted the board does have power regarding its implementation. She requested the board look at where the state funds are coming from and requested that the board respond to the community as there are very upset members. She noted she was unable to do the current 3rd grade math. Although there are some children excelling in common core standards, the middle and lower level groups are not.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BOARD COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hanlon to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 PM.

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 4

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion carried

Submitted by District Clerk, Regina York

Approved