

ALEXANDER CENTRAL SCHOOL

Board of Education Meeting

Date: August 9, 2017
Kind: Regular
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: Secondary School Library

Members Present: Reed Pettys, President
Richard Guarino, Vice-President
Brian Paris
Molly Grimes

Member Absent: John Slenker

Also Present: Catherine Huber, Superintendent
Tim Batzel Matthew Stroud Patrick Guarino Colleen McNamara
Ellie Jinks Maegan Nuwer David Nuwer John Winiecki
Emily Hirsch Mary Winiecki Alanna Paris Ethan Stroud
Nicholas Kurtz Leah Kurtz Katelyn Gibson Barbara Donnelly
Ann Chilano Robert Chilano Ann Miller, District Clerk

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District was held in the Secondary School Library on Wednesday, August 9, 2017. President Reed Pettys called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. It was noted that the Oath of Office was administered to re-elected Board of Education President, Reed Pettys by Ann Miller, District Clerk.

Audience Participation: None

Presentations:

Patrick Guarino presented an overview of the summer recreation program. Along with members of his team, Patrick shared the new vision for the program now that the program is run by the District. Highlights included collaboration with the PEP grant to provide nutrition education, numerous field trips, and theme weeks. Approximately 40 Alexander students in Grades K-5 participated in the program this summer. Patrick and his team thanked the Board for this fantastic opportunity. Dr. Huber thanked the team for their leadership and the community for coming together to support this opportunity.

Res. No. 16: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Rich Guarino. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Consent Items as presented.

- a. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting 7-5-17 (Reorganization and Regular)
- b. Acceptance of Internal Claims Audit report 6-29, 6-30, 7-31-17
- c. Acceptance of June Treasurer’s Report
- d. Acceptance of June Extra Class Multiple Acct. Report & Bank Reconciliation
- e. Acceptance of June Appropriation Status Report
- f. Acceptance of June Revenue Status Report
- g. Acceptance of Warrants: Capital #22; Federal #10, General Fund #23 & #24
- h. Approval of CSE Recommendation
- i. Appointment of CSE/CPSE Parent Committee Representatives for 2017-2018
- j. Appointment of Additional Fall Coach/Volunteer Assignments for 2017-2018
- k. Approval of Contracts for merged athletic teams (gymnastics, ice hockey, boys soccer)
- l. Approval of Textbook order for Private School
- m. Acceptance of Agreement for the Genesee County Self-Insurance Plan
- n. Approval of Genesee Area Healthcare Plan Board Member
- o. Acceptance of Gift (Chromebooks and licenses)

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

Old Business:

Second Reading of Revised Board Wellness Policy #5662

Res. No. 17: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School does hereby adopt the Revised Board Wellness Policy #5662.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

CALL TO
ORDER
OATH ADMIN
REED PETTYS
PRESIDENT

CONSENT
ITEMS

ADOPT
REVISED
WELLNESS
POLICY #5662

Res. No. 18: Motion offered by Molly Grimes and seconded by Brian Paris. Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School does hereby approve the Agreement between Alexander Central and the Genesee County YMCA for 2017-2018 for UPK Services.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE
AGREEMENT
YMCA UPK FOR
2017-2018

New Business:

Res. No. 19: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School does hereby accept the Grant Agreement from the Alexander PTA.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT GRANT
AGREEMENT
ALEX. PTA

Res. No. 20: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Molly Grimes.

WHEREAS the Board of Education authorized the Alexander Central School District to raise for the current budget for the 2017-18 school year a sum not to exceed \$6,045,850. The tax levy will be funded as follows:

TAX LEVY	\$6,045,023
WARRANT	\$6,045,850

ADOPT TAX
2017-2018
WARRANT

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education fixes the equalization rate by town to confirm the extension of taxes as they appear on the attached described tax roll.

AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED that the above described tax roll, authorizing the collection of said taxes to begin September 1, 2017 and to end on October 31, 2017, giving the tax warrant an effective period of sixty days, at the expiration of which time the tax collector shall make an accounting to the Board of Education in writing.

AND IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED that the delinquent tax penalties shall be fixed as follows:

- First 30 days – Free period
- Second 30 days – 2% Interest

This warrant is issued under the authority of Article 15 of the Education Law. It is to become effective after it has been signed by a majority of the members of the Board of Education. Also, in accordance with Chapter 73, Laws of 1977, this district has not retained funds in excess of 4% of the budget that could be applied to reduce the tax levy.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

Res. No. 21: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Brian Paris. WHEREAS, the Alexander Central School District (“the District”) has a current Voter Approved Capital Project:

WHEREAS, the current Unreserved Fund Balance has excess funds that are not needed to pay existing obligation or pending claims;

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law § 6-m permits the transfer of excess funds from an Unreserved Fund Balance to another fund within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the District’s fiscal year ends on June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, the District has a Capital Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District authorizes and directs that for the end of the 2016-17 fiscal year the amount, not to exceed, of Two Hundred Three Thousand Dollars (\$203,000) to be transferred from the Unreserved Fund Balance to the current Capital Fund.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE
TRANSFER
UNRESERVED
FUND BAL TO
CAPITAL FUND

Res. No. 22: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School does hereby approve the transfer of the excess fund balance from 2016-17, not to exceed \$375,000, to the Capital Reserve.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE
TRANSFER
EXCESS FUND
BALANCE

Res. No. 23: Motion offered by Molly Grimes and seconded by Brian Paris. A REFUNDING BOND RESOLUTION DATED AUGUST 9, 2017 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDING BONDS OF THE ALEXANDER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, TO BE DESIGNATED SUBSTANTIALLY AS “REFUNDING (SERIAL) BONDS” AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN RELATION THERETO AND THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS TO BE REFUNDED THEREBY.

Adopted by the following roll call:

Yes – Richard Guarino, Brian Paris, Molly Grimes, Reed Pettys
No -
Motion carried.

ADOPT
REFUNDING
BOND
RESOLUTION

Personnel Action:

Res. No. 24: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Alexander Central School District Board of Education accepts the resignation of Barbara Donnelly, Teacher Aide, effective July 21, 2017, to accept another position.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT
RESIGNATION
TEACHER AIDE,
B. DONNELLY

Res. No. 25: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to appoint, Barbara Donnelly as a substitute Clerk Typist, effective July 24, 2017-August 1, 2017 due to the declinations received by Civil Service, and to the Civil Service probationary position of Clerk Typist, effective August 2, 2017, and ending on February 1, 2018, and be it further resolved that she be paid at the rate of \$12.07 per hour.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT
CLERK TYPIST
B. DONNELLY

Res. No. 26: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Brian Paris. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to appoint, Ann Chilano to the Civil Service probationary position of Clerk Typist, effective August 7, 2017, and ending on February 6, 2018, and be it further resolved that she be paid at the rate of \$12.07 per hour.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT
CLERK TYPIST
A. CHILANO

Res. No. 27: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Brian Paris. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to accept the resignation of Daniel Krazmien, Summer Adult Helper, effective July 29, 2017, to retire.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT
RESIGNATION
D. KRAZMIEN,
SUMMER
ADULT HELPER

Res. No. 28: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Rich Guarino. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to reinstate Daniel Krazmien to the Civil Service position of Summer Adult Helper, effective August 1, 2017, and be it further resolved that he be paid at the rate of \$10.05 per hour.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT
REINSTATE
D. KRAZMIEN,
SUMMER
ADULT HELPER

Res. No. 29: Motion offered by Molly Grimes and seconded by Richard Guarino. Resolved, that the Board of Education, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Katelyn Gibson, who has initial certification, to the position of ESOL Teacher for a probationary period of four years, to commence on September 1, 2017 and to expire on August 31, 2021, and who will hold a valid New York State Certificate permitting her to teach subjects in this area, and who has New York State Education Department approval of fingerprinting. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that she be paid on Step 1 of the Agreement with the Alexander United Teachers.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT ESOL
TEACHER,
KAITLIN
GIBSON

Res. No. 30: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Board of Education, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Leah Kurtz, who has initial certification, to the position of Elementary Teacher for a probationary period of four years, to commence on September 1, 2017 and to expire on August 31, 2021, and who will hold a valid New York State Certificate permitting her to teach subjects in this area, and who has New York State Education Department approval of fingerprinting. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that she be paid on Step 1 of the Agreement with the Alexander United Teachers.

APPOINT ELEM
TEACHER,
LEAH KURTZ

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

Res. No. 31: Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Board of Education, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Maegan Nuwer, who has professional certification, to the position of Elementary Teacher for a probationary period of four years, to commence on September 1, 2017 and to expire on August 31, 2021, and who will hold a valid New York State Certificate permitting her to teach subjects in this area, and who has New York State Education Department approval of fingerprinting. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that she be paid on Step 1 of the Agreement with the Alexander United Teachers.

APPOINT ELEM
TEACHER,
MAEGAN
NUWER

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

Res. No. 32: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Board of Education, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Katie Tharp who has professional certification, to the position of Special Education Teacher for a probationary period of four years, to commence on September 1, 2017 and to expire on August 31, 2021, and who will hold a valid New York State Certificate permitting her to teach subjects in this area, and who has New York State Education Department approval of fingerprinting. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that she be paid on Step 1 of the Agreement with the Alexander United Teachers.

APPOINT SP.
ED. TEACHER,
KATIE THARP

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

Res. No. 33: Motion offered by Molly Grimes and seconded by Brian Paris. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to appoint, Elizabeth Slocum, who is permanently certified, to the non-probationary, position of .3 FTE Foreign Language Teacher, French commencing on September 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2018, and who has New York State Education Department approval of fingerprinting; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that she be paid on Step 2 (pro-rated) of the Agreement with the Alexander United Teachers.

APPOINT .3 FTE
FRENCH
TEACHER,
ELIZABETH
SLOCUM

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS

Molly Grimes noted the summer recreation program went very well and parents, as well as students were happy.

Reed Pettys started a new job today at Perry Central. They may be times when he is unable to attend meeting, but will do his best to fulfill his obligation to the Alexander community.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Celebrations:

- Thank you to Colleen McNamara for her generous donation of Chromebooks to our District. Colleen was awarded these Chromebooks last year when she was named Teacher of the Year. We appreciate her donation and know that the Chromebooks will be well used by our students this year.
- Thank you to State Senator Ranzenhofer for a \$10,000 grant. This grant is administered through the New York State Education Department and will be used to support our collaborative Business Office work with the Town of Alexander.

- Congratulations to the Business Office for a successful audit last week. Our Business Office works diligently to ensure that our District is in sound financial shape and that we are conducting our work in a thoughtful manner. Well done!
- Thank you to our Buildings and Grounds department for their exceptional work this summer. Our facilities look outstanding and are getting closer to being ready for our students every day. Your work is acknowledged and appreciated.
- Thank you to our Leadership Team for their tireless work this summer. We've been engaged in extensive planning, hiring, and collaboration getting ready for the upcoming school year. Their work is setting the stage for an outstanding year focused on teaching and learning.

Updates:

- Thanks to the PEP grant, we were able to create a fitness path around the Outdoor Classroom. The stone arrived this week and our phys ed department and PEP grant coordinators are hard at work developing plans for fitness stations at different points around the path.
- The road to the Field of Dreams will be repaired later this week through a collaboration with the Town of Alexander. We are grateful for this partnership.
- The MS/HS faculty and student parking lots are tentatively scheduled to be chip sealed on August 28th. The chip sealing will take about one day and the Town will return on two days after the work to sweep excess stone. We plan to have the parking lots relined at the end of the week of the August 28th or over Labor Day weekend.
- Our New Teacher Institute will take place on August 31 - September 1. Thank you to the Mentor Committee and Ryan Keating for their work developing the Institute and making this important level of support available to our new teachers.
- Please join us for our 12 month employee/New Teacher Institute picnic on September 1st at 11:30.
- Fall sports start on Monday, August 14th. Thanks to Rob Adams and all the coaches for their planning and preparation.
- I'm attending a Policy 101 workshop at BOCES on August 24th from 8:30-12:00. Please let me know if any Board members would like to join me.
- Shannon Whitcombe and I are participating in the NYSCOSS Women's Institute conference in Buffalo on August 14th and 15th.
- Our Outdoor Classroom has been recertified for the 2017-18 for the fifth year in a row. Congratulations to the Outdoor Classroom Committee and Ellie Jinks for all of their hard work to maintain our wonderful Outdoor Classroom.

Res. No. 34: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Rich Guarino that the meeting be adjourned. President, Reed Pettys adjourned the meeting at 7:41 P.M.

Yes – 5 No - 0 Motion carried.

Ann M. Miller, District Clerk

ADJOURNMENT