

ALEXANDER CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education Meeting

*The mission of the Alexander Central School District is to challenge students to be confident,
contributing learners within a structured, safe and caring environment*

Date: January 10, 2018
Kind: Regular
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: MS/HS Conference Room 112

Members Present: Richard Guarino, Vice-President
Brian Paris
John Slenker
Molly Grimes

Member Absent: Reed Pettys, President

Also Present: Catherine Huber, Superintendent
Shannon Whitcombe Julie Hodge Kathy Busch
Gretchen Rosales Norb Fuest Kevin MacDonald Lisa Atkinson

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District was held in the MS/HS, Conference Room 112 on Wednesday, January 10, 2018. Vice-President Richard Guarino called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Res. No. 93: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District, approves the agenda as presented.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried

PRESENTATIONS

PEP Grant:

Julie Hodge and Kathy Busch provided an update on the second year of the PEP Grant. Dr. Huber thanked Julie, Kathy, the Physical Education department for their outstanding work implementing this grant.

Genesee Valley Educational Partnership Update:

GVEP Board President Norb Fuest shared updates on the status of the current skilled workforce, the need for tech workers and the importance of encouraging students to consider the trade programs at BOCES. GVEP District Superintendent Kevin MacDonald shared an update on BOCES programs.

ROUNDTABLE

Board Member Reports:

Molly Grimes asked about the status of the BOCES consultant/CIO. Molly also attended a swim meet and basketball game.

Brian Paris enjoyed going to the BOCES open house and suggested that students go visit at an earlier grade level.

John Slenker suggested a few changes to the swim scoreboard.

Richard Guarino would like clarification of the speed signs on Buffalo St. and if it is a school speed zone from 7am-6pm or if the reduced speed is 24 hours a day. He was happy to hear that students stopped to see Dr. Huber about the last snow day. Richard mentioned that the bushes by the sign in the front yard are memorial bushes and to please not cut them down if a new sign is installed.

Superintendent's Report:

Student Celebrations:

- Social worker Courtney Diemert and Teacher aide Diane Hallows started a big buddy program with National Honor Society students who come to the elementary building to spend time with elementary students. Thanks to Ben Slenker and Connlan Hotnich for starting the program which is now expanding as other high school students are participating. Congratulations!

- The Scholastic Bowl team had a resounding victory last week, scoring over 400 points in a landslide (second place had 140). Kolbee Koch, Lowell Chamberlain, Eric Stroud, and Nick Allen competed last week.
- Congratulations to our ICE (Interscholastic Competition in English) Team for their success at a recent competition in Geneseo.
 - Individual Awards (out of 24 students in each category, 72 students total):
 - Literature Analysis: Cassidy Graham, 4th place
 - Dramatic Presentation: Nick Allen, 6th place
 - Creative Writing: Sheyenne Lacombe, 4th place
 - Team Awards
 - Alexander Team 1 (Cassidy, Nick, and Sheyenne) placed 6th overall out of 24 team
- PTA play rehearsals have started with students in grades 4-7 performing "The Girl with the Golden Locks"

Other Updates:

- Phases 1 and 2 of our Smart Bond project is now complete. Mr. Perry will present an overview/wrap up of the project during our February 14th meeting. Thank you to Mr. Perry and his team for their tireless and thoughtful work on this project.
- The Safety Committee is working on plans for our *Community Block Party* in the spring with our first responders and other community organizations. The committee is hard at work updating the emergency response plan and planning a presentation with John Bennett from GCASA on the opioid epidemic for this spring. Thanks to Tim Batzel, Gretchen Rosales, and the members of the Safety Committee for their hard work.
- Genesee Valley School Boards Association is sponsoring a session on suicide prevention and the role of the Board of Education on January 18th from 5:45-8:30 at Terry Hills.
- Please mark your calendars for the annual Legislative Breakfast on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at Geneseo High School.
- Our Board Retreat takes place on February 5, 2018 from 4-7.

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Res. No. 94: Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the personnel actions as presented.

- a. Acceptance of Termination of Civil Service Appointment, Cleaner
- b. Appointment of Additional Winter Sports Volunteer Assignments for 2017-2018
- c. Approval of Service Staff Substitute for 2017-2018

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried

BUSINESS MATTERS

NONE

CONSENT AGENDA

Res. No. 95: Motion offered by John Slenker and seconded by Molly Grimes. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Consent Items as presented.

- a. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting 12-20-17
- b. Approval of Minutes of Audit Committee Meeting 12-20-17
- c. Acceptance of Internal Claims Audit report 12-15-17
- d. Acceptance of November Treasurer’s Report
- e. Acceptance of November Extra Class Multiple Acct. Report & Bank Reconciliation
- f. Acceptance of November Appropriation Status Report
- g. Acceptance of November Revenue Status Report
- h. Acceptance of Warrants: Federal #7 and General Fund #10

- i. Approval of CSE/CPSE Recommendations
- j. Acceptance of Gift (For the MS/HS school music program, library, outdoor classroom)

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried

Res. No. 96: Motion offered by John Slenker and seconded by Brian Paris that the meeting be adjourned.
Vice-President, Richard Guarino adjourned the meeting at 7:49 P.M.

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion carried

Ann M. Miller, District Clerk

Catherine Huber, Clerk Pro Tem