

**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: March 28, 2018  
Kind: Regular  
Time: 7:00 P.M.  
Place: MS/HS Room 108

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

Also Present: Catherine Huber, Superintendent  
Tim Batzel      Matt Stroud      Ryan Keating      Kathy Busch  
Alison Soller      Deborah Helser      LeAnn Brewster      Jacob Hummer  
Dawn Hummer      Sharleen Dunbar      Selena Vanegas      Cameron Hausfelder  
Branden Reilly      Kristina Brown      Cathy Zaso      Elizabeth Felski  
Mari Egloff      Matthew Fernays      Jerry Morrison      Shauna Radder  
Noelle Gerlach      Grant Cox      Emily Fischer      Beth Powell  
Brian Waite      Amanda Waite      Hannah Morrison      Samantha Redden  
Carrie St. Clair      Scott Wessel      Aaron Reichert      Charlie Stefani  
Lisa Atkinson

An Executive Session meeting of the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District was held in the MS/HS, room #142 on Wednesday, March 25, 2018. President Reed Pettys called the meeting to order at 5:45 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

**Res. No. 116:** Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by John Slenker at 5:50 PM that the Board move directly into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel issues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Yes – 5                  No - 0                  Motion carried

**Res. No. 117:** Motion offered by John Slenker and seconded by Molly Grimes that the Executive Session be adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District was held in the MS/HS, Conference Room 108 on Wednesday, March 28, 2018. President Reed Pettys called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CALL TO ORDER

**Res. No. 118 :** Motion offered by John Slenker and seconded by Brian Paris. Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Alexander Central School District, approves the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Yes – 5                  No - 0                  Motion carried

**PRESENTATIONS**

***Baseball Cooperstown Trip Presentation:***

Ben Whitmore, Varsity Baseball Coach, presented the itinerary and cost of the Varsity and JV Baseball teams to travel to Cooperstown, NY from April 13, 2018 to April 14, 2018 to visit the Baseball Hall of Fame and the Varsity team to play a regular season game vs. Holley.

***Life Skills Presentation:***

LeAnn Brewster, Alison Soller, Jacob Hummer, student, and Charlie Stefani, student, discussed their curriculum, activities, job placements and collaboration in their classrooms. They also prepared snacks for the Board to enjoy.

**ROUNDTABLE**

**Board Member Reports:**

Rich Guarino noted how wonderful the new Life Skills classroom turned out. He also noted what a great job the music department did in hosting this year’s All County Festival.

John Slenker attended All County and said it was well attended and an outstanding event.

Molly Grimes attended the Field of Dreams community event and said it was very well attended and she was happy that the district was able to accommodate the event with the inclement weather.

Reed Pettys shared that the District was awarded the Utica National Insurance Group’s “School Safety Excellence Award for 2018 at the Titanium with Honors level. The District was also presented a \$500 award. He congratulated the Safety Committee for their outstanding efforts.

**Superintendent’s Report:**

**Student Celebrations:**

- Congratulations to our middle school students who participated in our second annual public speaking invitational. Students from Mrs. Brewster’s class kicked off the evening with a stirring rendition of Frederick Douglass’ speech on the rights of women. Community volunteer Robert Babcock works with our students during this public speaking project. Thank you to Mrs. Koers and Mrs. Cummings for their work with this project.
- On March 15th, our students participated in TechWars at GCC. Our students were awarded first place honors in architectural drawing and in the regatta.

**RESULTS OF TECH WARS – March 15, 2018**

<u>Level</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Student</u>
HS	Architectural Drawing	1 <sup>st</sup>	Alyssa Lafferty
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cameron Hausfelder
HS	Regatta	1 <sup>st</sup>	Eve Basso
			Summer Jeschke-Dean
			Katie Stanley
HS	Robotic Tractor Pull Unlimited	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maverick Bump
HS	Sculpture	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Riley LaFreniere
			Alexandra Reynolds
HS	Skimmer Car	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Josh Kramer
			Nello Paolucci
HS	SUMO Robots	2 <sup>nd</sup>	William Steavens

- Congratulations to our student musicians who performed in our pops concerts last week as well as the second day of the All-County festival. Our students are so remarkably talented and that talent is enhanced and enriched by our remarkable music teachers - Mrs. Boughton, Mr. Hoerbelt, Mrs. Clark and Mr. Klinczar.
- For the second consecutive week, freshman infielder [Hannah Paolucci](#) of the Skidmore College softball team has been honored by the Liberty League as its Rookie of the Week, the league announced on Monday.

**Staff Celebrations:**

HS English teacher Megan Wright was selected to be a Museum Teacher Fellow (MTF) for the Education Division of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum as part of the 2018-19 cohort. The Museum Teacher Fellowship Summer Institute will be held in Washington, DC from July 9 - 13, 2018.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Community members commented on school safety, the code of conduct, and the value of our reading teachers.

**PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

**Res. No.119:** Motion offered by Rich Guarino and seconded by John Slenker. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the personnel actions as presented.

- a. Appointment of Additional Spring Volunteer Assignments for 2017-2018
- b. Appointment of Probationary Non-Instructional Staff, Cleaner
- c. Approval of Service Staff Substitute List for 2017-2018

Yes – 5                      No - 0                      Motion carried

PERSONNEL  
ACTIONS

**BUSINESS MATTERS**

NONE

BUSINESS  
MATTERS

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Res. No. 120:** Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by John Slenker. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Consent Items as presented.

- a. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting 3-14-18
- b. Acceptance of Internal Claims Audit report 3-15-18
- c. Acceptance of Warrants: Capital #10, Federal #13, General Fund #16
- d. Approval of CSE/CPSE Recommendations
- e. Approval of Bus Purchase Proposition
- f. Approval of Equipment Capital Reserve Fund Proposition
- g. Approval to Establish Capital Reserve Fund Proposition
- h. Approval to Establish Capital Reserve Fund Proposition
- i. Adoption of Windmill Resolution
- j. Approval of Surplus Items

Yes – 5                      No - 0                      Motion carried

CONSENT ITEMS

**Res. No. 121:** Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by John Slenker at 7:55 P.M. that the Board move directly into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel issues.

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

Executive Session began at 7:58 P.M.

**Res. No. 122:** Motion offered by John Slenker and seconded by Rich Guarino that the meeting be adjourned. President, Reed Pettys adjourned the meeting at 8:47 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

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Catherine Huber, Clerk Pro Tem