

**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 23, 2019  
Kind: Regular  
Time: 7:00 P.M.  
Place: MS/HS Conference Room 112

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

Also Present: Catherine Huber, Superintendent  
Tim Batzel      Matt Stroud      Shannon Whitcombe      Ryan Keating  
Mari Egloff      Sharleen Dunbar      Gretchen Rosales

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 23, 2019. President John Slenker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Res. No. 62:** 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 – 5      No - 0      Motion carried

**PRESENTATIONS**

Dr. Huber provided a mid-year update on District goals.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – A member of the community shared concerns about the lack of a sidewalk connecting Buffalo Street to the elementary school.

**ROUNDTABLE**

*Board Member reports:*

Rich Guarino shared that he is aware of a discussion in the community regarding crossing guards. He noted the crossing guards are provided by the municipality and not by the school.

Molly Grimes offered compliments to our SRO and expressed how enthusiastic the students are about Deputy Meyer.

*Superintendent's report:*

**Student and Staff Celebrations:**

- Congratulations to Nick Allen who was named to the All Eastern Chorus. The performance will take place in April in Pittsburgh.
- Alexander is sending 32 vocal soloists (grades 6-12) and 89 instrumentalists (grades 5-12) to compete in the regional solo fest. The vocal solo fest was cancelled last weekend due to weather. The instrumental solo fest takes place on February 2nd. Best wishes to our talented student musicians! Congratulations to our music department for another incredible showing at the regional solo fests.
- A subset of our Alexander Guys singing group is singing the National Anthem and “O Canada” at the Canisius College hockey game on Friday evening. Congratulations to Jake Day, Connlan Hotnich, Shawn Calmes, Evan Whitmore, Liam Crawford, and Tom Patridge.
- Congratulations to our super MS spellers who competed in our annual spelling bee.
  - 1st place: Riley Wall
  - 2nd place: Triton Spencer
  - 3rd place: Paige Bryant
  - 4th place: Morgan Burns

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA

**Athletics Updates/Celebrations:**

- Congratulations to the following for being named Athlete of the Month for November and December:
  - November ~ Varsity Basketball Cheerleading: Sophia Pellegrino, Varsity Girls Swimming: Nicole Hume, Varsity Girls Basketball: Allison Milcham, Varsity Boys Swimming: Lowell Chamberlain, Varsity Wrestling: Jacob Przbylski, Varsity Boys Basketball: Chris McClinic
  - December ~ Varsity Boys Swimming: Cooper Davis, Varsity Girls Basketball: Hailie Kramer, Varsity Girls Swimming: Hailee Lowe, Varsity Basketball Cheerleading: Madison Phillips, Varsity Boys Basketball: Ryan Davis, Varsity Wrestling: Josh Kelsey

**Other:**

- The Genesee Valley School Boards Association Legislative Breakfast takes place on February 2nd at Letchworth.
- We are looking forward to our Summer Rec program again this year! We plan to expand the program to include rising sixth graders. Information on dates and registration is forthcoming.

**PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

**Res. No. 63:** Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Sara Fernaays. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the personnel actions as presented.

- a. Appointment of Non-Probationary Long Term Substitute  
*Caitlin Hubler* *School Psychologist*

Yes – 5                  No - 0                  Motion carried

PERSONNEL  
ACTIONS

**BUSINESS MATTERS: Capital Project Discussion**

Following the December 3, 2019 defeat of the capital project, the Board engaged in preliminary discussion of next steps. The Board reflected on the process that was used to develop the project. The community was engaged both in the project development and in the outreach efforts to share information about the project. The committee developed a project that represented the needs of the District yet the project was defeated. Based on the vote and comments at the community forum, the Board tasked Dr. Huber with exploring the cost of contracting out for transportation services as an information gathering step. No decisions about next steps were made during this discussion.

BUSINESS  
MATTERS

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Res. No. 64:** Motion offered by Molly Grimes and seconded by Sara Fernaays. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Consent Items as presented.

- a. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting 01-09-19
- b. Acceptance of Internal Claims Audit report 12-31-18
- c. Acceptance of Warrants: Federal #9, General Fund #11, School Lunch #7
- d. Acceptance of December Treasurer’s Report, Extra Class Multiple Acct. Report & Bank Reconciliation, Appropriation Status Report and Revenue Status Report
- e. Approval of CSE/CPSE Recommendations

Yes – 5                  No - 0                  Motion carried

CONSENT ITEMS

**Res. No. 65:** Motion offered by Brian Paris and seconded by Sara Fernaays at 7:54 P.M. that the Board move directly into Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel.

Yes – 5                  No - 0                  Motion carried

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

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Catherine Huber, Clerk Pro Tem

Executive Session began at 7:55 P.M.

**Res. No. 66:** Motion offered by Molly Grimes and seconded by Brian Paris that the meeting be adjourned. President, John Slenker adjourned the meeting at 8:27 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

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Catherine Huber, Clerk Pro Tem