

September 25, 2018

The regular meeting of the Le Roy Central School Board of Education was called to order on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. by President Jacalyn Whiting in the Library of the Le Roy Junior/Senior High School.

The following members were present:

Mr. Lawrence Bonacquisti
Mrs. Denise Duthé
Mr. William MacKenzie
Mr. Lloyd Miller
Mr. Richard Lawrence
Mr. Peter Loftus
Mrs. Jacalyn Whiting

The following administrators were present:

Mr. Merritt Holly, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Tim McArdle, High School Principal
Mrs. Carol Messura, Elementary Principal
Ms. Chelsea Eaton, Director of Special Education & Student Services
Mr. Brian Foeller, Business Administrator
Mr. Robert Blake, Director of Instruction, Curriculum & Technology

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Holly reported on the New York State Council of School Superintendents conference. State Education Commissioner MaryEllen Elia met with the state superintendents and her focus was on three areas. First, she addressed Social Emotional Learning and the importance of making connections with students. New guidance and resources are available for school districts to implement Social Emotional Learning benchmarks, policies and programs that place emphasis on educating the whole child. Through this process, districts can provide students with vital skills that will help them be successful in all parts of life – academics, interpersonal relationships and making good life choices. The next topic Commissioner Elia touched upon was safety, reinforcing that students need to feel safe when they come to school. Much work

needs to be done within communities and families to foster that safe environment. She suggested that schools conduct a survey of their students, asking questions about what makes them feel safe or unsafe in school. She reminded the superintendents that an unsafe feeling may come from many different areas and encompass many fronts, including bullying. Commissioner Elia reiterated that New York State will not participate in providing any incentives to teachers to carry guns in schools. Finally, Commissioner Elia provided information on the status of the Annual Professional Performance Review (“APPR”) process. She is looking into creating subgroups across New York State to gauge what measures districts want to be included and how they should be weighted in an evaluation tool. The statewide moratorium on using assessment results with negative consequences to teachers will end at the end of the 2018-19 school year. The superintendent group is not in favor of using the grades 3-8 test scores as a 50% measure in the APPR plan. The Commissioner would like to have a recommendation ready to bring to the table which provides for local control going back to individual school districts and not leaving decision making on the process up to the politicians.

Mrs. Whiting reported that she attended the Genesee Valley BOCES Board of Education Presidents meeting. She was disappointed to see a low turnout among component school districts. Among the discussion items were school safety; recruiting, hiring and maintaining quality certified teachers; lack of candidates for substitute bus driver and substitute teaching positions; and the ongoing issue of vaping by students in schools. The next meeting is scheduled for November and the group is seeking input on agenda items and speakers.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the following consent items, as listed:

1. Minutes of the September 11, 2018 regular meeting, as presented.
2. Warrants for the following accounts and bills contained thereon:

GENERAL ACCOUNT	-	\$	851,129.23
CAFETERIA ACCOUNT	-	\$	1,285.07
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	-	\$	6,000.00
TRUST & AGENCY ACCOUNT	-	\$	17.00

3. Recommendations of the Committee for Special Education.

Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Bonacquisti and seconded by Mrs. Duthe, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Ms. Brenda Dillon from her position as a part-time cleaner effective at the end of her shift on September 28, 2018. Further, Ms. Dillon will remain on the active substitute cleaner list. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education approved the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the LTA and the Le Roy Central School District Re: Modified Winter Cheerleading for the 2018-19 season, as presented. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the Memorandum of Agreement by and between Le Roy Central School District and Le Roy

Teachers' Association for the continuation of the Clay Target Shooting Club Advisor position for the 2018-19 school year, as amended. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mr. MacKenzie, the Board of Education rescinded the appointment of Ms. Nichole Bradley as Junior Varsity Winter Cheerleading Coach for the 2018-19 season. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. MacKenzie, the Board of Education approved the following substitute appointments, pursuant to the district policy for substitute teachers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Grade Level</u>
Teagan Kennedy	Sub. Teacher	7-12
Mary Kathleen Grayson	Sub. Teacher	K-6
Kari Powers	Sub. Teacher	K-6

Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Bonacquisti and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the following coaching and extra-curricular appointments for the 2018-19 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Nichole Bradley	Modified Winter Cheerleading Coach	Per MOA w/LTA
William Hunt	Volunteer Assistant Girls Soccer Coach	N/A
Glen Adams	Volunteer Head Coach-Clay Target Club	N/A
Larry Allen	Volunteer Assistant-Clay Target Club	N/A
Christina Marinaccio	Volunteer Assistant-Clay Target Club	N/A

Voting: 6 Yes, 1 No (Mrs. Duthe). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the Board of Education approved a change in

the employment status of Charles Schmidt from probationary automotive mechanic to permanent automotive mechanic effective August 15, 2018. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No.

Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education approved a financial agreement with the Town of Le Roy, wherein the Le Roy Central School District will credit the Town of Le Roy in the amount of \$10,833 (representing Town of Le Roy manpower and equipment usage from 2016-18) for application toward Town of Le Roy Recreation Department transportation charges for 2018. Any remaining funds from 2018 will be applied to 2019, until exhausted. Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absention (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mr. MacKenzie, the Board of Education approved a correction to the 2018-19 assessment rolls to reflect a corrected assessment of \$116,100 on a parcel of property owned by Arna Tygart, located at 9215 Warsaw Road and bearing tax map number 14.-1-83.1 and further approve the issuance of a corrected tax bill for the property in the amount of \$2,088.27. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Negotiations: Mr. Holly will update the Board with regard to the status of SEIU negotiations during Executive Session at tonight's meeting.

Policy: Mr. Foeller and Mr. Hart are working on a compilations of K-2 and K-3 busing cost analyses.

Shared Decision-Making: Mr. Holly will discuss one item with the committee members following this evening's meeting.

Mrs. Whiting distributed information regarding various methods for superintendent evaluation for review by the Board of Education.

On a motion given by Mr. Bonacquisti and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education entered into executive session at 6:49 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 8:11 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Bonacquisti and seconded by Mr. Miller at 8:12 p.m. Voting: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Lori E. Wrobel
District Clerk