

A regular meeting of the Members of the Board of Education of the Goshen Central School District, Orange County, New York, was held in the Board of Education Room at the Main Street School on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

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| Present   | Mrs. Judy Green, President<br>Mrs. Martha Bogart, Vice President<br>(7:32)<br>Mr. Jeremy Cassel<br>Mr. George Jung<br>Mr. James Kimiecik – (7:35)<br>Mr. Thomas Mullane<br>Mrs. Allison Salte |
| Superintendent of Schools   | Mr. Daniel T. Connor  |
| Assistant Superintendent for Business   | Mr. Robert Miller   |
| Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum,<br>Instruction, Personnel & Technology | Dr. Frank Sheboy  |
| Principals:   | Mr. Jason Carter and Mrs. Amy Prasky  |
| Assistant Principals:   | Mrs. Patricia Lercara and Ms. Heather<br>Carman   |
| Elementary Coordinator  | Mr. Henry Freedman  |
| Director of Buildings & Grounds   | Mr. James Riley   |
| Assistant Principal/Athletic Director   | Mr. Gregory Voloshin  |
| Director of PPS   | Absent  |
| CSE Chairperson   | Mrs. Marlene Gaynor   |
| Director of Transportation  | Absent  |
| Network Administrator   | Mr. James Sterett   |
| Student Senate Representative   |   |
| Members of the Faculty, Press and Citizens of the District                      |   |

The meeting was called to order by President, Mrs. Judy Green at 7:29 p.m. Mrs. Green led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent meditation.

The board received the following correspondence: Correspondence from O/U BOCES regarding contract busing; New York State School Music Association NYSSMA Zone 9 Area All-State Music Festival program; Goshen Gladiators' Gazette; Youth Ending Hunger Newsletter; O/U BOCES December Newsbriefs; High School Music Department Winter Concerts program; and various newspaper articles.

Mrs. Green opened Privilege of the Floor.

There was no Legislative Update

Mr. Connor acknowledged Amanda Rose Fini and Alexa Marie Fini, 2 students in the audience, who participated in the New York State Music Association Zone 9 Area All-State Music Festival held on November 22, 2014.

Mrs. Bogart entered the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Mr. Connor invited Matt Milnamow, from LAN Architects, to provide an update on the District's 2014/2015 Capital Reserve Project. Mr. Milnamow reported good news - word was received this afternoon from SED that all referenced projects have been approved. Mr. Milnamow reported a January 5, 2015 proposed bid scheduled has been set. This will allow bids to be awarded during February. The board thanked Mr. Milnamow for his update.

Mr. Connor asked Mrs. Lercara and Mr. Voloshin to provide an update on the High School concerts. Mrs. Lercara highlighted the 2 winter concerts; a combination of bands, chorus and orchestra. Two very wonderful evenings highlighting the talents of our students.

Mr. Kimiecik entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Voloshin highlighted the performance of our students at the Harness Racing Museum; a holiday tradition for our students and community.

Mr. Voloshin reported on the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Mr. GHS, where this year, Tom Giordano was crowned Mr. GHS. Mr. GHS is unique to Goshen and all money raised goes to local charities.

Mrs. Lercara reported that Marlin Maduras had all students in his AP Language and Composition course along with some students in AP US History, participate in the Lower Hudson Valley NYCLU Essay Contest. Mrs. Lercara was happy to report that Sam Boese

was the building winner receiving \$100 and Mark Laaninen was the Second Place winner in the Lower Hudson Valley Region, receiving \$200. A formal ceremony was held today at the St. Paul's Church Historic Site in Mt. Vernon, where Sam and Mark will accept their awards and read their essays aloud. In addition the following five students will be reading the first 5 amendments: Julia Hunt, Catherine Hughes, Braxton Clark, Angelos Panayotidi, and Ashleigh Pagano. Mr. David McGraw, Vice President and Assistant General Counsel for the New York Times, will be the presenter. Congratulations to Sam and Mark on this fine accomplishment.

Mr. Miller reported Cooper Arrias were in district on December 8<sup>th</sup> to begin the Internal Audit of the Business Office. The board will be approving later on the Agenda, the Monitoring of Internal Controls. When a draft is received, Mr. Miller will contact the Audit Committee for review.

Dr. Sheboy reported he had the opportunity to attend "Hour of Code" a global event introducing children to computer coding, in which our Intermediate School students participated.

Dr. Sheboy reported he and his wife attended the Warwick Valley Chorale Holiday Concert Friday evening where one of our music teachers, Bill Greene, was part of the ensemble. Dr. Sheboy stated this group has also performed at Carnegie Hall. A wonderful evening of holiday music.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by James Kimiecik, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda as presented. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Approve child care leave of Kelli Monti grade 6 teacher is requesting a child care leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective on or about February 6, 2015 through June 30, 2015.

Approve leave of absence of Charlotte O'Connor school nurse is requesting a leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective December 9, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

Approve appointment of Sabrina Casey long-term substitute School Psychologist at a salary of \$274.81/diem effective approximately January 16, 2015 through April 13, 2015. Ms. Diller has Provisional School Psychologist certification. Mrs. Casey is filling the leave of Kerry Eschbacher.

Approve appointment of Sabrina Casey substitute teacher at a salary of \$85/diem, not to exceed 28 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014.

Approve appointment of Dawn Kohler-Pawliczak teacher aide/greeter at a salary of \$12.45/hr., for 4 hours per day effective December 16, 2014. Ms. Kohler-Pawliczak is replacing Ilene Egyud.

Approve appointment of Dawn Kohler-Pawliczak substitute school nurse at a salary of \$25/hr, not to exceed 29 hours per week effective December 16, 2014. Ms. Pawliczak has RN certification.

Approve appointment of Laura Sullivan food service helper at a salary of \$12.45/hr., for 3 hours per day, effective December 4, 2014. Ms. Sullivan is a substitute for the District and is replacing Caridad Younger.

Approve appointment of Antonio Rodriguez student supervisor/teacher aide at a salary of \$15.63/hr. for 5 hours per day, effective December 16, 2014. Mr. Rodriguez is replacing Sheila Venable.

Approve appointment of Amanda Raco substitute food service helper at a salary of \$8.50/hr., as needed, not to exceed 29 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014.

Approve appointment of Emily Dosch substitute teacher at a salary of \$85/diem, not to exceed 28 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014. Ms. Dosch has Initial 1-6 certification.

Approve appointment of Steven Sinisi substitute teacher at a salary of \$85/diem, not to exceed 28 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014. Mr. Sinisi has Initial Physical Education and Conditional Initial Health Education certifications.

Approve appointment of Danielle Santoro substitute teacher at a salary of \$85/diem, not to exceed 28 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014. Ms. Santoro has Permanent N-6 and Permanent SAS certifications.

Approve appointment of Wendy Laing substitute teacher aide at a salary of \$8.50/hr. as needed, not to exceed 29 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014.

Approve appointment of Jaime Nywening substitute teacher at a salary of \$85/diem, not to exceed 28 hours per week, effective December 16, 2014. Ms. Nywening has Initial SWD B-2/1-6 and Initial 1-6 certifications.

Approve disposal of obsolete equipment (see official minutes)

CSE/CPSE

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| Committee on Special Education    | 11/19/14;119221/SAS/Classified       |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 11/03/14;119182/GIS/Classified       |
|                                   | 12/01/14;119418/SAS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/13/104;116686/CJH/Classified      |
| Committee on Special Education    | 11/06/14;119536/OCJ/Classified       |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 11/13/14;114858/GIS/Classified       |
| Committee on Preschool Special Ed | 12/02/14;118598/Classified Preschool |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 11/14/14;119060/CJH/Classified       |
| Committee on Preschool Special Ed | 11/25/14;118755/Classified Preschool |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 11/04/14;117385/Classified           |
| Committee on Preschool Special Ed | 12/08/14;119244/Classified Preschool |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 11/12/14;115431/GHS/Classified       |
| Committee on Special Education    | 11/06/14;119782/OCJ/Classified       |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 12/02/14;113662/CJH/Classified       |
| Committee on Special Education    | 11/12/14;113230/GHS/Classified       |
| Committee on Preschool Special Ed | 09/08/14;119000/Classified Preschool |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 10/15/14;117853/SAS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/12/14;113315/GHS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/17/14;115482/GIS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/12/14;114458/GHS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/24/14;117471/Classified           |
| Committee on Special Education    | 12/02/14;112889/GHS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/20/14;118157/OCJ/Classified       |
|                                   | 10/07/14;119728/GHS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/04/14;118282/SAS/Classified       |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 10/22/14;110854/GHS/Classified       |
|                                   | 11/05/14;115562/GIS/Classified       |
| Committee on Special Education    | 11/19/14;119790/SAS/Classified       |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 12/05/14;113371/Classified           |
|                                   | 11/24/14;118275/SAS/Classified       |
| Committee on Special Education    | 11/06/14;119785/OCJ/Classified       |
| Subcommittee on Special Education | 11/12/14;112816/GHS/Classified       |

On a motion by Jeremy Cassel and seconded by George Jung, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the budgetary transfer dated December 2, 2014 in the amount of \$132,789; the budgetary transfer dated December 3, 2014 in the amount of \$156,000; and the budgetary transfer dated December 3, 2014 in the amount of \$200,000; as per attached. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Thomas Mullane and seconded by James Kimiecik whereas, the Goshen Central School District has previously adopted a Flexible Benefits Plan for its employees administered through AFLAC;  
 BE IT RESOLVED upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Flexible Benefits Plan Summary Description for the new year; the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, as presented by AFLAC.  
 AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Thomas Mullane and seconded by George Jung, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards the sale of items previously excessed and bid in the Notice of Public Sale opened on December 8, 2014 as follows: Full resolution will be incorporated in the minutes.

| DESCRIPTION  | NAME OF BUYER   | BID PRICE |
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| One Smithco Field Groomer to                       | Joseph Gersbeck | \$ 30.00  |
| One lot of 2 line Painters to                      | Chet's Garage   | \$ 12.00  |
| One lot of 3 Jacobsen Push Movers                  | Nat Winum       | \$ 17.37  |
| One Gravely 1975 Lawn Tracto with attachments      | Rene Freeman    | \$327.00  |
| One 3 HP Little Wonder Edger                       | Chet's Garage   | \$ 17.00  |
| One Cushman 1989 Mower #622774                     | Chet's Garage   | \$457.00  |
| One Cushman 1989 Mower #622769                     | Chet's Garage   | \$379.00  |
| One Toro 1985 Groundsmaster Mower with attachments | Nat Winum       | \$676.86  |

All items to be sold in "as is condition" AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by James Kimiecik, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards the purchase of one Chevrolet Suburban 4 Wheel Drive SUV School Bus to DePaula Chevrolet at a cost of \$40,687 (Base Bid) and one snow plow and snow plow package, for the above mentioned vehicle, also to DePaula Chevrolet, when and if available, at an additional cost of \$4,400 (Option I). AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Allison Salte and seconded by James Kimiecik, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approves the proposal dated December 2, 2014 from Cooper Arias LLP for Internal Audit –Monitoring/Testing as presented. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by Allison Salte, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of \$500.00 from CPD NY Energy, Corp (EXXON) for C.J. Hooker Middle School and authorizes increasing the General Fund Budget by a total of \$500.00. The \$500.00 budgetary appropriation shall be placed in Account Code A2850.45254. The offsetting Revenue Account Code A 2705 shall also be increased by \$500.00. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Thomas Mullane and seconded by Jeremy Cassel, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the bid award to Joe Lombardo Plumbing & Heating of Rockland, Inc. in the amount of \$85.00/hr. with an overtime rate of \$127.50/hr., Holiday rate of \$170.00/hr., travel charge of \$85.00 per call and 20% mark up on parts effective December 16, 2014 through December 15, 2015. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by Allison Salte, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves settling the claim presented by Gary Maroni for the repair of a trumpet and authorizes payment to him in the amount of \$ 60.00. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Jeremy Cassel and seconded by Thomas Mullane, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of \$500.00 from Goshen Youth Football and Cheerleading for field paint for the High School Athletic Program and authorizes increasing the General Fund Budget by a total of \$500.00. The \$500.00 budgetary appropriation shall be placed in Account Code A2855.45171. The offsetting Revenue Account Code A 2705 shall also be increased by \$500.00. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Allison Salte and seconded by Thomas Mullane, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of science equipment and supplies from CAPSUGEL for use in the Goshen High School Science Department. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Martha Bogart and seconded by Jeremy Cassel, whereas New York State has increased the minimum wage for hourly workers effective December 31, 2014; BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby establishes the following hourly rates, effective December 31, 2014, to comply with New York State minimum wage law:

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| Substitute Food Service Helper | \$9.00/hr. |
| Substitute Custodial Worker    | \$9.00/hr. |
| Substitute Bus Monitor         | \$9.00/hr. |
| Substitute Teacher Aide        | \$9.00/hr. |

AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Thomas Mullane and seconded by James Kimiecik, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education agrees not to hold the first meeting in January on January 5, 2015. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mrs. Green opened the second Privilege of the Floor.

Mr. Kimiecik referenced an article featured in the Wall Street Journal of the nationwide lunch program of Michelle Obama. The article stated this is a \$1.2B nationwide problem with some schools hiring chefs out of college to create menus children will eat. Mr. Kimiecik stated this was a very interesting article.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on a motion by Thomas Mullane and seconded by Allison Salte. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mrs. Green wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah. The board will meet again on Tuesday, January 20, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia B. Brown  
District Clerk