

Highland Central School District

MINUTES

Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, July 21, 2015

6:00 pm Executive Session (Pending Board Approval)

7:00 Open Meeting

Held in the Highland High School BOCES Room E-32

Motion made by Debbie Pagano at 6:10 pm to go into Executive Session; Second by Heather Welch; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (6:10 pm)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Highland Central School District conduct an Executive Session to discuss the following topics:

- Collective Negotiations pursuant to Article 14 (Taylor Law) of the Civil Service Law;
- The Medical, financial or credit, 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.

Motion made by Heather Welch at 7:10 pm to adjourn Executive Session and go into Open Meeting; Second by Tom Miller; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members: Alan Barone (absent), Tom Miller, Sue Gilmore, Debbie Pagano, Mike Bakatsias, Heather Welch, Ed Meisel

Administrators/Principals/Directors: Deborah Haab, Superintendent of Schools; Louise M. Lynch, Business Administrator

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (7:19 pm)

Vice President, Tom Miller, called meeting to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK PRO TEMPORE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoints Louise M. Lynch as Clerk Pro Tempore to preside in the absence of Lisa Cerniglia, District Clerk.

Motion made by Mike Bakatsias; Second by Debbie Pagano; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The floor was open for public comments. No comments were made at this time.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education acknowledges reviewing the following reports:

- a) Attendance & Enrollment Report – Period 10 – June 1, 2015 – June 25, 2015

Motion made by Sue Gilmore; Second by Mike Bakatsias; Discussion: none; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

- a) **Approval of Committee on Special Education Minutes**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education according to the minutes of the CSE meetings of June 11th, 12th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 22nd, and 23rd, 2015 and the amendment agreement no meeting of June 9th, 2015, and authorizes the arrangements for such students' special education programs and services.

Motion made by Debbie Pagano; Second by Sue Gilmore; Discussion: none; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

- b) **Approval of Committee on Preschool Special Education**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education according to the minutes of the CPSE meetings of June 10th and June 17th, 2015, and authorizes the arrangements for such students' special education programs and services.

Motion made by Mike Bakatsias; Second by Ed Meisel; Discussion: none; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

PERSONNEL:

Motion to move items “a-c” as a block made by Mike Bakatsias; Second by Sue Gilmore; Discussion: none; Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

- a) **Appointment**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following employee, Denise Santangelo, to the twelve month Clerk position in Guidance Office at High School effective July 1, 2015.

- b) **Re-Appointment – Assessment and Data Coordinator**

WHEREAS, the District desires to assign Debra Kelley, a tenured Elementary tenure area teacher, to the position of Assessment and Data Coordinator, which constitutes an Instructional Support Services position within the meaning of Part 30 of the Regents Rules; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools deems Debra Kelley to be competent and qualified to perform the duties of Assessment and Data Coordinator based upon her K-6

teaching certification and more than three (3) years teaching experience in the Elementary tenure area; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Part 30 of the Regents Rules and Section 3013 of the New York State Education Law, Debra Kelley shall continue to accrue seniority in the Elementary tenure area while performing Instructional Support Services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Debra Kelley is assigned to the Instructional Support Services position of Assessment and Data Coordinator effective September 1, 2015, for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year, after which she shall return to a classroom teaching position within the Elementary tenure area.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the appointment of the following individual:

Debra Kelley
Position: Assessment and Data Coordinator
Effective Date: August 1, 2015 – June 23, 2015
Salary: Regular Salary plus \$2,500.00
Purpose: Instructional Support Services position

c) **Interim Claims Auditor**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the temporary appointment as follows:

Employee: Jill Greenland
Position: Interim Claims Auditor
Stipend: Contract differential (10% of respective years' salary)
Effective: June 23, 2015

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS:

Motion made by Sue Gilmore to move items “a-b” as a block; Second by Debbie Pagano; Discussion: Board recognized aid from Skartados’s office (\$100,000) and Amadore’s office (\$50,000). Sue Gilmore, Debbie Pagano and Board recognized Deborah Haab’s exceptional lobbying efforts. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

a) **Budget Transfer**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following budget transfers as follows:

- School Year 2014-2015 / Transfer Number 11351/ \$ 15,000.00
- School Year 2015-2016 / Transfer Number 276 / \$30,000.00

b) **Budget Increase**

BE IT RESOLVED that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approves the budget increase of \$150,000 for the 2015-2016 school year as follows:

<u>Appropriations</u>		Total \$150,000
HS Instructional Salaries (Math)		
A2110-130-01-0000		\$24,089
ES Teaching Assistant (Technology)		
A2630-150-05-0000		\$22,459
ES Instructional Position – (Math/Evaluator)		
A2110-120-05-0000		\$78,686
A9060-800-00-0000	Health Ins	\$18,235
A9070-800-00-0000	Union Welfare Fund	\$ 725
A9030-800-00-0000	FICA	\$ 1,718
A9010-800-00-0000	NYS ERS Pension	\$ 4,088
<u>Revenues</u>		Total \$150,000
State Aid A3101		\$150,000

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Deborah Haab updated the Board on the \$150,000.00 donation that was recently received by Assemblyman Skartados for \$100,000 and Senator Amedore for \$50,000.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

New Business:

- a) **Correspondence** – Any correspondence received by the Board may be discussed.
- b) **Future BOE Agenda Items**

Old Business:

- a) **NYSBA Membership** – TABLED until August 18th meeting.
- b) **School Lunch Prices**
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adopts the following school lunch prices for the 2015-2016 school year:

School Lunch at Elementary School	\$2.60
School Lunch at Middle School	\$2.80
School Lunch at High School	\$2.80
School Lunch for Eligible Reduced	\$0.25
School Breakfast	\$1.50
Student Milk	\$0.60
Adult Lunches	\$4.25

Motion made by Sue Gilmore; Second by Debbie Pagano; Discussion: Mike Bakatsias and Heather Welch expressed their gratitude for the Countywide Data.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The floor was open for public comments. No comments were made at this time.

**Motion made by Sue Gilmore at 8:04 pm to adjourn meeting; Second by Debbie Pagano;
Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.**

ADJOURNMENT (8:04 pm)

Minutes recorded by Louise M. Lynch (Clerk Pro Tempore)

Minutes submitted by Lisa M. Cerniglia (District Clerk)