

NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

September 8, 2014

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met at 7:00 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room. The following Board Members were in attendance: Randal Kerr, James Phillips, Susan Watson, Ralph Parnelee, Thomas Darpino, Anthony Tavelli and Robert Bennett. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Phillips. The following school personnel were present: Ryan Dougherty, Ji Katchuk, Angela Gemignani, Michael Harris, Patti Engbith and Tina Engelhard.

ATTENDANCE

Presentation: None.

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Motion by T. Darpino, and seconded by S. Watson, for approval of Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2014.

MINUTES

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Dougherty stated this has been the smoothest opening of the school year since his arrival. Staff is enthusiastic, buildings and grounds are in phenomenal condition, there were no transportation issues, the class numbers are good, and the right people are in the right spot. Additionally, the feedback on the District's website has been positive. Mr. Dougherty provided an update to the Café at the HS. It is now 85-90% complete. The plumbing still needs to be tied in. The curriculum work is progressing nicely. Questions still remain with regards to staffing and ordering. The steering committee will meet on 9/9/14 for a next steps meeting. The grand opening will be the first part of second semester. An update to the Blended Courses was provided. Michelle Bombard stated that the student feedback has been overwhelmingly outstanding. There are 5 classes and 4 teachers with 52 students enrolled. Discussion followed on enrichment assignments. Superintendent Dougherty spoke to the Board regarding building projects – EXCEL+ (facilities for Buildings & Grounds and Transportation and work to Alexander Park Dam). The District will recommend Keystone Associates provide two options for facilities: 1. Renovate and expand the transportation building while addressing the needs of the department; and 2. Constructing a new facility. The Board requested a PowerPoint/CAD presentation. The shared transportation facility was also discussed. The net/fiscal benefit to the District would be at a wash or loss. On another note, Superintendent Dougherty stated that David Little is now the Director of Rural Schools. Additionally, the Superintendent will be at the NYSCOSS Fall Leadership Conference September 21-23, 2014 in Saratoga Springs, NY.

Financial Reports:

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by A. Tavelli, for the approval of resolutions 9-14-G1, 9-14-G2 and 9-14-G3

9-14-G1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the Treasurer's Report for July 2014 with balances as follows:

ACCEPT TREASURER'S
REPORT

General Fund	\$ 2,192,412.94
Repair Reserve Fund	\$ 119,545.61
Unemployment Reserve Fund	\$ 212,492.67
Property Loss Reserve Fund	\$ 44,751.26
Retirement Reserve Fund	\$ 966,189.52
Employee Benefit Reserve Fund	\$ 247,617.74
Vehicle Reserve Fund	\$ 339,033.69
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 2,186,600.59
School Lunch Fund	\$ 29,807.69
Special Aid Fund	\$ 102,740.59
Capital Fund	\$ 449,094.81
Debt Service Fund	\$ 970,858.51

9-14-G2

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Comprehensive Budget Status Reports for: General Fund, Repair Reserve Fund, Unemployment Reserve Fund, Property Loss Reserve Fund, Retirement Reserve Fund, Employee Benefit Reserve Fund, Vehicle Reserve Fund, Capital Reserve Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund, Capital Fund and Debt Service Fund dated July 2014.

APPROVE BUDGET
STATUS REPORTS

9-14-G3

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Extra Classroom Activity Fund Report for the month of July 2014.

APPR EXTRA CLASS-
ROOM ACTIVITY FUND
REPORT

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried

New Business:

Motion by T. Darpino, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 9-14-G4 and 9-14-G5

ADJUST 2014-2015
SCHOOL TAX
WARRANT

9-14-G4

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the 2014-2015 school tax warrant be adjusted to reflect a reduction of \$1,554,308.38 that represents the amount of the initial tax levy to be paid by New York State pursuant to Section 1306-a, of the Real Property Tax Law (STAR).

9-14-G5

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion of T. Darpino, seconded by J. Phillips, the Board approves the contract with Berkshire Emergency Squad, as attached to and made part of these minutes, and authorizes the Board of Education President to sign the Agreement.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried

APPR BERKSHIRE
EMERGENCY SQUAD
CONTRACT; AUTHOR
BOE PRES TO SIGN

Personnel:

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by R. Bennett, for the approval of resolutions 9-14-C1 and 9-14-C2

APPR APPT-2014-2015
MENTORS

9-14-C1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Tammy Chebiniak and Scott Wandell, Mentors, effective September 2, 2014, for the 2014-2015 school year.

9-14-C2

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Erin Wilday, Music-Art Department/Grade Level Chairperson, for the 2014-2015 school year.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried

APPR 2014-2015 MUSIC-
ART DEPT/GRADE
LEVEL CHAIR

Personnel:

Motion by A. Tavelli, and seconded by R. Bennett, for the approval of resolutions 9-14-NC1

APPR APPT-SUB BUS
DRIVER

9-14-NC1

RESOLVED, The Superintendent having reviewed the report of the School Physician regarding the Fitness of Jamison Poyer to operate a school bus and further having reviewed three statements from three different persons not related by either blood or marriage to the applicant pertaining to the applicant's moral character and reliability, and the Superintendent having certified to the Board of Education that the bus driver is of good moral character and reliable, that this Board of Education does and hereby approves the appointment of Jamison Poyer to the Civil Service Classification, Non competitive – bus driver (substitute), effective September 8, 2014. (Substitute Bus Driver)

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried

Privilege of the Floor: None

Board Matters:

NYSSBA AREA 4 BOARD
OF DIR ELECTION

- NYSSBA Area 4 Board of Director Election – The Board unanimously voted for Sandra Ruffo as Area 4 Director. President Randal Kerr will complete and submit the ballot.

NEXT BOE MTG-9/22/14

- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, September 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room

BOE MTG TUESDAY,
10/14/14

- Board of Education Meeting, Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room

Motion by R. Parmelee, seconded by S. Watson, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussing CSE.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried

Motion by T. Darpino, seconded by R. Parmelee, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 7:49 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried

September 8, 2014


Tina A. Engelhard, District Clerk