

BOARD OF EDUCATION

09/15/10

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District was held on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 in the Board Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barbara Funck, Agnes Laub, Robbie Martin, Randy Moore and Joe Moskowitz.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tony Albanese (Superintendent), Karen Dietrich (Treasurer) and Teresa Goodchild (Clerk).

At 7:00PM, President Moore called the Regular Meeting to order.

From the Board of Education, Ms. Martin thanked all who prepared the school, it looks great, and her kids are coming home happy.

From the Superintendent, Mr. Albanese commented on the following: faculty were trained on new student management system on 9/1 and support will continue to be offered; the Superintendent's Conference Day on 9/2 was very successful with Mr. Moore encouraging faculty and staff participation in the forums; school opened with 427 students - 12 UPK; soccer and golf seasons are off to a good start; and have set aside 20 days with BOCES to support creating continuity and consistency across the curriculum.

From the Public, Mr. Holcher questioned what services the students testing at level #1 would be receiving? Mr. Albanese explained that those students would automatically receive AIS services, as it is mandated. He explained that he would like to know more about the AIS services. He also questioned that there is always money for extra help, but what is done for the smarter kids. Mr. Albanese explained that the District doesn't have a G&T program; however, there are college level courses and higher level electives available.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Moskowitz, seconded by Mrs. Funck to accept the Minutes of 8/18/10 and 8/31/10. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mrs. Laub to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Activity Fund Report for August 2010 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board audited the Warrants and the Internal Claims Auditor Reports for Warrant #1, #2, #3 and #4.

In communications, a letter was received from Patrick Davis, Code Enforcement Officer, regarding the bus garage, with a clear directive and agreement on the work needed, and a date of January to complete it by. Mr. Albanese explained that a plan needs to be put in place.

A report was received from the Fairview Public Library, reviewing what they have done for the students of the District for the funding that they receive.

A report was received from the Skene Public Library, reviewing what they have done for the students of the District for the funding that they receive.

The Board received a copy of the legal services that they receive from Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, Surowka & DeWind for the 2010-11 school year.

Mr. Albanese provided the Board with a copy of his letter to Hanah, publicly thanking them for their support and donations received for graduation and golf.

Reports from the following Forums:

Goal and Vision Oversight - Mr. Moore explained that he and Tony had met to outline where to go, and that there will be a meeting with staff on Monday, 9/27. 10/13 will be the official meeting.

Innovations and Outcomes - Ms. Martin set a date of Tuesday, 10/5 and stated she and Tony will compile a list, as it is pretty broad. She would like to create an online blog and thinks group should meet quarterly to begin with.

Facilities Forum - Mr. Moskowitz explained that it is a work in progress and no meeting date has been set.

Policy - Mrs. Funck stated that they had met today to regroup, but that the group has been at it for a year. Next meeting is scheduled for 10/12 at 8:30AM and is anxious to see if any faculty will participate. The group plans to meet two times per month.

Finance - no report.

Communications & Celebrations - Mr. Moskowitz reported that he is involved with the new radio station in Roxbury and hopes that the district will benefit from this in publicity. He would like more kids from MCS to become involved. He set 9/22 at 3PM in Tony's office for formal meeting.

In presentations, Ms. Taylor reviewed the Student Discipline Policy and Code of Conduct and new procedures that are being implemented. She gave the Board a packet of the different forms used (positive and disciplinary). She indicated that after school detention will now be for 2 hours and students will have access to the CROP busing as a means of transportation home. She also indicated that lunch detention will entail a writing assignment for the students. Mrs. Laub questioned the writing assignment as punishment, stating that studies advise against such types of punishment. She also questioned the positive referral form looking identical to the disciplinary referral form. Ms. Taylor stated that it was done on purpose.

ROLL CALL**CALL TO ORDER****COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD****COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT****COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****TREASURER'S REPORT****WARRANTS****COMMUNICATIONS****REPORTS - FORUMS****PRESENTATION
STUDENT DISCIPLINE
POLICY & CODE OF
CONDUCT**

**COACHING
CERTIFICATIONS**

Jeremy Marks updated the board on coaching certifications. He is working with BOCES to get the coaching staff certified. Coaches are required to take 3 classes, as well as 1st Aid/CPR. All of the coaches are actively taking classes and he is quite sure that all coaches will be certified by end of year.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Moskowitz, seconded by Ms. Martin
ACCEPT the resignation of Roxane Mathis as Morning Duty Aide.
ACCEPT the resignation of Linda Pesa from Substitute Calling Duty.
ACCEPT the resignation of Becky Hubbell as the PM Bus Aide.
Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Laub, seconded by Mr. Moskowitz
APPROVE Stacey Johnson as Aide for Morning Duty.
APPOINT Beth Tanzer as Student Faculty Senate Advisor for 2010-11 School Year.
APPROVE Rebecca Eignor and Cambria Tallman as Substitute Teachers for the 2010-11 school year.
APPROVE Jennifer Clark as a Substitute Teacher Aide for the 2010-11 school year.
Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Moskowitz, seconded by Mrs. Funck to advance \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Federal Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

From the Public, Tracy Reither asked Mr. Moskowitz where teachers should send students who are interested in working at the radio station. Mr. Moskowitz indicated he would speak to the gentleman in charge and that the station is located across from Roxbury School.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms. Martin to move to Executive Session at 7:50PM to discuss a personnel matter. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken and the Regular Meeting resumed at 9:05PM.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Moskowitz, seconded by Ms. Martin to adjourn the meeting at 9:05PM. Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATIONS
Morning Duty
Subst Calling Duty
PM Bus Aide

MORNING DUTY
SENATE ADVISOR
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHERS
SUBST AIDE

FEDERAL FUND
ADVANCE

COMMENTS FROM THE
PUBLIC

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Approved: 10 | 20 | 10 Clerk: Teresa K. Sordahl