

WHEATLAND-CHILI CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING

March 10, 2014
TJC – Room 312

Members Present:

President - Kim Snyder
Vice President - Elizabeth VenVertloh
- Carol Davis
- Tiffany Passmore
- Michelle Rocha
- Carole Smith

Others Present:

Deborah Leh, Superintendent
Brad Zilliox, Secondary School Principal
Margaret Wright, Elementary Principal
Robert Persia, PPS Director
Jennifer Sinnebox, Curriculum Director
Beth Gillette, Business Manager
Judith Cianciola, District Clerk

Members Absent:

Trustee - James Musshafen

CALL TO ORDER – President K. Snyder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was led by three students from the High School.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee C. Smith moved, seconded by Trustee C. Davis, to approve the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda approved 6-0.

HEARING AND DISCUSSION OF ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE

N/A

PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS

a. Middle School Update

B. Zilliox provided an update on Middle School events. This included recognition of students at the honor roll breakfast and Students of Character. Other events reviewed were the MS ski trip, activity nights, District concert, Grade 8 Parent Night, modified sports, and the high school drama production. Upcoming events include NYS testing and progress reports.

b. Budget Presentation 2014-15: Draft Budget Review

D. Leh presented an overview of the 2014-15 Draft Budget in its entirety. A recap of the rollover budget was shown. Budget challenges for 2014-15 include the tax levy limit, an increase in mandated expenses, and a decrease in revenues. Closing the budget gap will include staff reductions, contractual reductions, use of reserves, budget line reductions, and the purchase of BOCES services wherever possible. Implications of these reductions were also presented.

c. Board Member Communications

- 1) Communications Committee Update – D. Leh gave a brief overview of the recent meeting, and an invitation that was extended to a new community member to join the committee.
- 2) Board Workshop on March 5, 2014 – K. Snyder reviewed the March 5 Board workshop that was facilitated by M. Kavanaugh. The Board continued its work on District goals and felt that the workshop was very productive.
- 3) Other Items of Information – K. Snyder commented on the District concert held on March 6.

e. Superintendent's Report – Dr. D. Leh

- 1) Update on Capital Project – D. Leh presented an update on the Capital Project and reviewed the timeline. The District is on target to begin work this summer.
- 2) Budget Outreach Meetings for the Community – D. Leh reminded the Board members of the upcoming Budget Outreach meetings that will be held for the community.
- 3) 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten – D. Leh gave an overview of an initiative being planned in the District with librarians from the Towns of Scottsville and Chili and K. Arendt from T. J. Connor to connect with families with young children to encourage them to read. It is a great literacy initiative.
- 4) ACT for Education – D. Leh gave an overview of a program called, “A Community Together” For Education to highlight the economic value of public education. An advertising campaign has been developed, and the next step is to connect with post-graduates whose stories will be told through messaging on a website. J. Finn, Wheatland's Communication Specialist from BOCES #2, is also working on the project.
- 5) BOCES Annual Meeting – Wednesday, April 2, 2014 – D. Leh reminded the Board members of the BOCES Annual Meeting on April 2 and asked who might be interested in attending.
- 6) Board Visitation on March 18, 2014 – D. Leh also reminded the Board members of the upcoming Board visitation day on March 18. A brief list of experiences that are occurring on that day will be prepared for the Board's use.
- 7) Department of Labor OSHA Audit – D. Leh updated the Board on the unannounced OSHA audit that occurred in February. This was not a result of a reported violation, but rather as part of their regular work. The audit may result in items identified for compliance after which the district will be provide with a time period for the adjustments.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held on February 24, 2014

Trustee T. Passmore moved, seconded by Trustee C. Smith, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, hereby approves the minutes of the Board meeting held on February 24, 2014.

Motion 6-0.

b. Approval of Minutes of Board Workshop held on March 5, 2014

Trustee C. Davis moved, seconded by Trustee T. Passmore, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, hereby approves the minutes of the Board workshop held on March 5, 2014.

Motion 6-0.

c. Approval of First Reading of Board of Education Policies

Trustee C. Smith moved, seconded by Trustee T. Passmore, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the first reading of the following Board of Education policies:

Board Policy #5110 Budget Planning and Development

Board Policy #5120 School District Budget Hearing

Board Policy #7513 Administration of Medication

Motion 6-0.

d. Approval of Ads for the Musical and High School Yearbook

Trustee E. VenVertloh moved, seconded by Trustee C. Smith, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the purchase of a full-page ad for \$75 for the Musical; and a full-page ad for \$250 for the high school yearbook.

Motion 6-0.

e. Personnel Actions

1) Approval of Resignation – Classified Staff

Trustee C. Smith moved, seconded by Trustee C. Davis, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the following resignation due to retirement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Gail Perry	Teacher Aide	Retiring June 30, 2014

Motion 6-0.

2) Approval of Spring Coach

Trustee T. Passmore moved, seconded by Trustee C. Davis, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the following spring coaching appointment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Ryan Dooling	Girls Varsity Track	4	\$3,650

Motion 6-0.

3) Approval of Spring Coach Resignation

Trustee C. Smith moved, seconded by Trustee K. Snyder, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the following spring coach resignation:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Ryan Dooling	Track Assistant	March 10, 2014

Motion 6-0.

4) Approval of Lifeguard

Trustee E. VenVertloh moved, seconded by Trustee C. Smith, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the following lifeguard appointment for middle and high school P.E. classes:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Erin Davis	\$15.00/hour	March 17 – April 11, 2014

Motion 6-0.

5) Approval of Substitute Appointments – Classified Staff

Trustee T. Passmore moved, seconded by Trustee C. Smith, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the following substitute appointments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Thomas Cooke	Teacher Aide/Office Clerk IV	\$8.00/hour	March 11, 2014
Marybeth Fortunato	Student Behavior Assistant	\$15.00/hour	March 11, 2014

Motion 6-0.

6) Approval of Substitute Appointments – Certificated Staff

Trustee E. VenVertloh moved, seconded by Trustee C. Smith, to approve the following:

Resolved that, the Board of Education of the Wheatland-Chili Central School District, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools, hereby approves the following substitute appointments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kristen Manwaring	Social Studies	\$80/Day	March 11, 2014
Marybeth Fortunato	Childhood Ed. Spec. Ed. B-6	\$80/Day	March 11, 2014

Motion 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee C. Smith moved, seconded by Trustee E. VenVertloh, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Motion carried 6-0.