



Wednesday, June 10, 2015
Policy Committee Meeting of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education
WBH-Library at 7:00pm

1. POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING 6:00pm

2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Public Budget Hearing and Regular Board of Education Meeting was held in the Library at WBH. The meeting was called to order by Board President Lambert at 7:00pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)

Tim Lambert	<u> X </u>
Mike Bienes	<u> X </u>
Tracy Bingham	<u> X </u>
Martha Esposito	<u> X </u>
Sharon Putnam	<u> X </u>
Christine Sotek	<u> X </u>
Monique Wood	<u> X </u>
Galen Martin	<u> A </u>

Also in attendance:

Leslie Whitcomb	<u> X </u>
Matt Klafehn	<u> X </u>
Andrew Kourt	<u> X </u>
Mike Los	<u> X </u>
Rick Arket	<u> X </u>

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

Non-Action

A. Student Representative Update given by Galen Martin. Galen was absent.

B. WBH Update given by Andrew Kourt. Nature's Classroom and the 6th grade trip to New Jersey were successful. He reviewed class trips for other grades. Some classes visited the New Lebanon Library. Virtual field trips have also been ongoing. The concert and art show as well as D.A.R.E. graduation will be on June 11. The community picnic will be on June 19.

C. JSHS Update given by Matt Klafehn. Glenn Giumarra will be receiving the Teacher of Excellence Award presented by Senator Marchione at the high school. She will also be presenting Future Cities with a resolution acknowledging their first place regional win. Senior trip leaves for Virginia Beach Friday night. The International family dinner is on June 15 with future and current host families and international students. Graduation is on June 27.

D. Athletic Report given by Rick Arket. He congratulated Spring teams on a great season. The varsity baseball team won the sectional quarterfinal game at Germantown. He recognized Girls' varsity track and varsity softball teams for earning scholar athlete team distinction. All girls' varsity teams earned scholar athlete distinction this school year. Evan Burgess and Christine Bienes were also named Outstanding Senior Athlete at the Spring Awards Banquet for their excellence both on and off the field.

Coaches and players did an excellent job this year as a whole, and he is very proud of their efforts. The New Lebanon soccer tournament kicks off on Sept 3rd for the boys' team and Sept 4th for the girls' team. Playoff games will be held on Saturday the 5th. Based on sign ups, he is confident that there will be a girls modified volleyball team again this upcoming fall.

E. Business Office/Facilities and Grounds Update given by Michael Los. Information on the attached memos was highlighted.

F. Superintendent Update given by Superintendent Whitcomb. Board of Education presentation focus for next year will be on financial and operational highlights, employee benefits. County superintendents meet regularly and have discussed continuing shared professional development for elective and special areas again. New Lebanon will host librarians for the 2015-16 school year. Mental health needs are also discussed. BOE trainings with other districts started this school year. She found it helpful and would like to continue. She presented a thank you from the district to Monique Wood and Tracy Bingham for their years of serving on the board. The district has a very professional board.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board member Bingham made the motion to approve item 4A-B. Board President Lambert seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. To approve the May 6, 2015 Regular Board of Education Meeting minutes.

B. To approve the May 12, 2012 Special Board of Education Meeting minutes.

6. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Non-Action

A. Annual K-12 Library Report presented by Maureen Squier and David Hawkins.

B. JSHS Discipline Report presented by Rick Arket

C. WBH Elementary Discipline Report presented by Andrew Kourt

D. Athletic Placement Process memo. Rick Arket was present to answer any questions.

Action

Board President Lambert made the motion to approve items 6E-G. Board member Putnam seconded. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstained.

E. WHEREAS, Section 135.4(c) (7) (ii) (a) (4) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education provides for a board of education to permit pupils in grades no lower than seventh grade to compete on interscholastic athletic teams organized for senior high school pupils, or senior high school pupils to compete on interscholastic athletic teams organized for pupils in the seventh and eighth grades; and WHEREAS, these pupils are to be allowed to compete at levels that are appropriate to their physical maturity, physical fitness, and sport skills in relationship to other pupils in accordance with the standards established by the Commissioner of Education; and WHEREAS, the State Education Department issues the competition standards for these pupils to compete under a program called the Athletic Placement Process; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the New Lebanon Central School District Board of Education shall permit pupils to compete after successfully completing the Athletic Placement Process for the requested sport and level.

F. Motion to adopt the 2015-16 Professional Development Plan.

G. Motion to approve CSE/CPSE recommendations of programs and placement for the following special education students: 092100321, 092100386, 092100331, 092100387, 092100325, 082390003, 092100389, 092100350, 092100396, 092100255, 092100302, 000002346, 000002268, 000002438,

092100370, 000002445, 000000033, 091140000, 092100379, 092100059, 082390000, 082390003, 092100389, 092100233.

7. FINANCIAL

Action

Board Vice President Bienes made the motion to approve items 7A-J. Board member Putnam seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Resolution to Authorize a Reserve Fund. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of New Lebanon Central School District hereby authorizes the funding of the District approved reserves with the excess of 4% from unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2015. The allocation of such fund balance will be determined subsequent to June 30, 2015 and prior to setting the tax levy.

B. Motion to approve the April 2015 Treasurer's Report.

C. Motion to approve the April 2015 Extra-Curricular Accounts report dated April 1, 2015 - April 30, 2015 as submitted by Sarah Roblez, Jr/Sr High School Extra-Curricular Accounts Treasurer.

D. Motion to authorize Superintendent Whitcomb to enter into inter-municipal agreement with Schodack Central Schools for the purpose of facility supervisor consultation on an as needed basis for the 2015-16 school year.

E. Motion to approve a Health Service Contract with the Averill Park School District for the 2014-15 school year to provide health services to students attending non-public schools in the Averill Park School District at a rate of \$547.27 per student and to authorize the President of the Board of Education, the Board Clerk and Superintendent of Schools to execute the agreement.

F. Motion to approve a Health Service Contract with the East Greenbush School District for the 2014-15 school year to provide health services to four students attending non-public schools in the East Greenbush School District for a total of \$3,018.92 and to authorize the President of the Board of Education, the Board Clerk and Superintendent of Schools to execute the agreement.

G. Motion to approve a Health Service Contract with the Albany City School District for the 2014-15 school year to provide health services to ten students attending non-public schools in the City of Albany School District at a rate of \$687.45 per student and to authorize the President of the Board of Education, the Board Clerk and Superintendent of Schools to execute the agreement.

H. Motion to authorize Superintendent Whitcomb to enter into an agreement with the New Lebanon NLTA for July 1, 2015-June 30, 2018.

I. Motion to appoint coaches for the 2015-16 school year as attached.

J. Motion to approve the sale or disposal of the following surplus and obsolete items to the highest bidder and to give the District Clerk authority to advertise the sale of said items and if unable to find a buyer, to authorize Superintendent Whitcomb to dispose of the items as attached.

8. PERSONNEL

Action

Board member Putnam made the motion to approve items 8A-B. Board member Esposito seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained. (Michael Bienes)

A. Motion to appoint Class and Club Advisors for the 2015-16 school year

Name	Class/Club	Stipend
Chris Bonacquisti Tylea Gebbie (co-advisors)	Grade 6 (Class of 2022)	\$610 (shared)
Mary Beth Liles	Grade 7 (Class of 2021)	\$637
Dan Fountain	Grade 8 (Class of 2020)	\$637 (shared)
Dotan Schips	Grade 9 (Class of 2019)	\$731 (shared)
Meghan Pepe Valene Synakowski (co-advisors)	Grade 10 (Class of 2018)	\$731
Michelle Daus Kelsey Norberg (co-advisors)	Grade 11 (Class of 2017)	\$822
Michelle Bienes	Grade 12 (Class of 2016)	\$1088
TBD	JSHS Drama Club	as per contract
TBD	JSHS Drama Club Backstage	as per contract
Scott Thompson	Band	as per contract
Valene Synakowski	Choir (JSHS)	as per contract
Rick Jason	Technology Club	as per contract
Bridget LeBarron	Spanish Club	as per contract
Kara Sokolowski Maureen Squier (co-advisors)	Environmental Club (JSHS)	as per contract (shared)
Mary Beth Liles	Future Cities Club	as per contract
Kara Sokolowski	SADD	as per contract
Michelle Bienes	Spirit Club	as per contract
Maureen Squier	National Honor Society	as per contract
Michelle Lagonia	Student Council	as per contract
Leuella Sowalski	Yearbook	as per contract
Kara O'Hare Tricia White (co-advisors)	Travel Club	as per contract (shared)
Michelle Daus	Appetites Anonymous Food Club	as per contract
Mary Beth Liles	Sign Language Club	No stipend (1st year)
Becky Griffith Hillary Watts (co-advisors)	Elementary Drama Club	as per contract (shared)
Melissa Cook Vicki Ouimet (co-advisors)	Elementary Back Stage Drama Club	as per contract (shared)
David Hawkins Kelli Griffin (co-advisors)	Game Club	as per contract (shared)
Frank Healy Jason Breslin (co-advisors)	WBH Environmental Club	as per contract (shared)
Lenny Brown, Timothy Christiansen Valene Synakowski (co-advisors)	Fitness Club (JSHS)	as per contract (shared)
Frank Healy	Running Club	as per contract
Kelsey Boyce	Band & Choir (WBH)	as per contract
Bridget Rank	Science Club (WBH)	as per contract
Kellyn Moore, Bridget Rank, Jeff Maclutsky and Chelsea Mastin	Intramurals	as per contract (shared)

B. Motion to appoint the following positions for the 2015-16 school year:

Name	Position	Stipend
Michelle Bienes and Lisa Kreutziger (co-advisors)	Continuing Education Coordinator	\$1500 (shared)
Tammy Denué	Certified Pool Operator	\$750
Maria Sime	Intramural Swim Instructor	\$2000

Board member Wood made the motion to approve items 8C-P. Board member Esposito seconded.
7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

C. Motion to appoint Curriculum Coordinators for the 2015-16 school year

Name	Curriculum	Stipend
Amy Gravina Michelle Bruns (co-advisors)	ELA PreK-6	\$1000 (shared)
Brooke Dickson	English 7-12	\$1000
Alex Chandler	Math PreK-6	\$1000
Dolores Storey	Math 7-12	\$1000
Kelli Griffin	Science PreK-6	\$1000
Glenn Giumarra	Science 7-12	\$1000
Jason Breslin	Social Studies PreK-6	\$1000
Jennifer Allard	Social Studies 7-12	\$1000
Tim Christiansen	Physical Education/Health K-12	\$1000
Scott Thompson	Music PreK-12	\$1000
David Hawkins	Technology Committee Coordinator	\$1000
Katie McKinney	Grades 5 and 6	\$1000

D. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, the following summer transportation employees, effective June 29 through August 31, 2015:

Employee	Position	Rate
Chris Howe	Summer Bus Driver	Per Contract
Harriet Leonard	Summer Bus Driver	Per Contract
Harold Curtiss	Summer Bus Driver	Per Contract
Audrey Nurney	Summer Bus Driver	Per Contract
Tamara Metzler	Summer Bus Monitor	Per Contract
Andrew Curtiss	Summer Bus Driver Sub	Per Contract
Shannon Adams	Summer Bus Monitor Sub	Per Contract
Lynn Dengler	Summer Bus Driver Sub and Summer Bus Monitor Sub	Per Contract
Cynthia Furtado	Summer Bus Driver Sub and Summer Bus Monitor Sub	Per Contract

E. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Chris Howe to the position of part-time summer laborer, at a rate of \$12.59 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per week, effective June 29, 2015 through August 31, 2015.

F. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Andrew Curtiss, to the position of full-time summer laborer, at a rate of \$12.59 per hour, effective June 29, 2015 through August 31, 2015.

G. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Zachary Seyerlein to the position of full-time summer cleaner at a rate of \$11.43 per hour effective June 29, 2015 through August 31, 2015.

H. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Stacey Hopkins and Christina Seyerlein as summer substitute clerk/typists effective June 29, 2015 through August 31, 2015 at a rate of \$15.21 per hour.

I. Motion to update Terms and Conditions for Ethan Race

J. Motion to update Terms and Conditions for Patricia Mittnight-Metzler

K. Motion to update Terms and Conditions for Patricia Gallup

L. Motion to update Terms and Conditions for Andrew Kourt

M. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, John Liles as chaperone for the 2015 senior class trip.

N. Motion to accept a resignation from Clint Garrigan effective June 27, 2015.

O. Motion to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Patricia Gallup to the probationary position of Transportation Supervisor effective July 1, 2015 a salary of \$55,890.

P. Motion to appoint upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Melinda Keegan to the permanent contingent permanent position of clerk/typist, Step 1, effective June 1, 2015 at a rate of \$15.21 per hour.

9. SUPERINTENDENT

Non-Action

A. Smart Schools Bond Act information presented by Superintendent Whitcomb.

Action

Board Vice President Bienes made the motion to approve items 9B-C. Board member Esposito seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Motion to approve the May 19, 2015 budget vote results.

C. Motion to approve and addendum to Superintendent Whitcomb's contract.

10. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

Non-Action

A. Superintendent Whitcomb discussed the need for quorum for the July 8 meeting.

Action

Board President Lambert made the motion to approve item 10B. Board member Wood seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. The Board of Education hereby authorizes TBD and TBD to attend NYSSBA's Annual Convention and Education Expo in New York, NY, October 18-20, 2015 at a cost of \$460.00 per member.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Bienes thanked the Board of Education.

12. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Board President Lambert made the motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular employee at 8:30pm. Board Vice President Bienes seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Board member Wood made the motion to appoint Superintendent Whitcomb as Clerk Pro-Tem. Board member Putnam seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Board Vice President Bienes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm. Board member Bingham seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly McGivern

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk