



Wednesday, March 16, 2016  
Regular Meeting of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education  
WBH Library at 7:00pm

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Regular Board of Education Meeting was held at the JSHS in the Library. The meeting was called to order by Board President Lambert at 7:03 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)**

Tim Lambert	<u>  P  </u>
Mike Bienes	<u>  P  </u>
Mike Brutsch	<u>  P  </u>
Martha Esposito	<u>  A  </u>
Sharon Putnam	<u>  A  </u>
Tim Smith	<u>  A  </u>
Christine Sotek	<u>  P  </u>

**Also in attendance:**

Leslie Whitcomb	<u>  P  </u>
Matt Klafehn	<u>  P  </u>
Andrew Kourt	<u>  p  </u>
Mike Los	<u>  P  </u>
Rick Arket	<u>  P  </u>
Jamie Styer	<u>  A  </u>

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS**

**A. Student Representative Update**

Jamie Styer was absent.

**B. WBH Update**

Andrew Kourt updated the board on the Snowball dance, the Easter egg hunt, the yearbook fundraiser, internet safety discussion with Deputy Hyson, a program called Growing to Maturity, visitors coming to WBH. Jeff Maclutsky was named a Channel 13 Top13 teacher.

**C. JSHS Update**

Matt Klafehn updated the board on the pep rally, Future Cities placed 4<sup>th</sup> nationally, senior class will be painting picnic table to personalize, planting a garden at the town park, co-curricular research, student artwork displayed at HVCC, suicide response conference, High School Prep Night for 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

**D. Athletic Report and Recognition of Scholar Athletes**

Rick Arket was absent. Matt Klafehn recognized scholar athletes on the varsity swim team. Girls' varsity basketball team was awarded the CHVL sportsmanship award. Spring sports have started.

#### **E. Business Office/Facilities and Grounds Update**

Michael Los presented information on the RFP for architect went out last week and explained transfers to be approved later in the agenda.

#### **F. Special Education Update**

Jennifer Morris updated the board on the annual review process, provided an overview of student numbers in programs, SED data reporting, reviewed results of 2014-15 survey.

### **4. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

#### **A. K-12 Music Program Update**

Scott Thompson presented a report on success of Tubano drums, the school owned instrument program, participation numbers for All County and Regional, community events and the advantages of having working musicians as teachers.

#### **B. PE/Health Instruction Update**

Tim Christiansen provided a review of programs.

#### **C. NYSED Parent Questionnaire Results**

Superintendent Whitcomb provided information on the Parent survey results.

Board President Lambert made the motion to approve items 4D-E. Board Vice President Bienes seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

#### **D. Motion to approve the 2016-17 district calendar and Board of Education meeting dates**

To approve the 2016-17 district calendar and Board of Education meeting dates

#### **E. Motion to approve CSE recommendations of programs and placements**

To approve CSE/CPSE recommendations of program and placement for the following special education students: 000002472, 083360000, 092100147, 000002269, 000002438, 092100291, 000002418, 092100419, 000002263, 000002449, 000012296, 000002512, 000002291, 000002485, 000002411, 092100464, 092100255, 092100480, 000002382, 00002509, 092100395, 092100394 and 092100445.

### **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Vice President Bienes made the motion to approve item 5A. Board member Sotek seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

#### **A. Motion to approve the February 10, 2016 Regular Board of Education meeting minutes**

To approve the February 10, 2016 Regular Board of Education meeting minutes.

### **6. FINANCIAL**

#### **A. 2016-17 Budget Discussion**

Third presentation of 2016-17 proposed budget.

Board member Sotek made the motion to approve items 6B-G. Board member Brutsch seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

**B. Motion to approve Notice of Hearing and Elections**

To approve the Notice of Hearing and Elections.

**C. Motion to approve the January 2016 Treasurer's Report**

To approve the January 2016 Treasurer's Report.

**D. Motion to approve the January 2016 Extra-Curricular Report**

To approve the January 2016 Extra-Curricular Report.

**E. Motion to approve the February 2016 Extra-Curricular Report**

To approve the February 2016 Grades 6-12 Extra-Curricular Report.

**F. Motion to declare books excess and obsolete**

To excess copies of the attached books.

**G. Motion to approve budget transfers**

To approve budget transfers totaling \$52,000.00

**7. PERSONNEL**

Board member Brutsch made the motion to approve items 7A-C. Board President Lambert seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

**A. Motion to appoint a long-term substitute**

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Adrianna Rizzo to a long term substitute position to cover a maternity leave in the K-6 certification area effective April 18, 2016 at a rate of \$226.47 per day, without benefits.

**B. Motion to appoint a substitute**

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, the following substitute effective March 17, 2016:

Jacqueline Howe	Substitute Bus Aide/\$12.42 per hour
	Substitute uncertified teacher/\$85 per day
	Substitute Teaching Assistant/\$13.00 per hour
	Substitute Cook/Server Cashier/\$11.26 per hour

**C. Motion to appoint a temporary Teacher Aide**

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, April Smith as a temporary Teaching Aide (per student IEP) at a rate of \$12.42 per hour, effective March 14, 2016.

**8. POLICY**

Board President Lambert made the motion to approve item 8A. Board Vice President Bienes seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

## **A. Motion to update and approve policies (second reading)**

To update the attached policies:

[NL policies 5540,6140,6150,6210,6212,6212.1,6213,6213.1 to delete.pdf \(565 KB\)](#)

[NL policy 5730 to be updated and replaced by NYSSBA 8410.pdf \(266 KB\)](#)

[NYSSBA policy 1050 to replace NL policies 1610,1611,1650.pdf \(317 KB\)](#)

[NL policy 5740 to delete.pdf \(44 KB\)](#)

## **9. SUPERINTENDENT**

### **A. Progress report on goals**

Superintendent Whitcomb presented information on goals.

## **10. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION**

### **11. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lisa Denué asked about a personnel issue. Superintendent Whitcomb, Board President Lambert and Vice President Bienes replied that they are legally not allowed to discuss personnel items in public session. She stated children learn by example.

### **12. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### **A. Motion to enter Executive Session**

Board President Lambert made the motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular employee at 8:40 pm. Board Vice President Bienes seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

#### **B. Motion to appoint Clerk Pro-Tem**

Board member Sotek made the motion to appoint Superintendent Whitcomb as Clerk Pro-Tem. Board member Brutsch seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

### **12. ADJOURNMENT**

Board Vice President Bienes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05pm. Board member Brutsch seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kelly McGivern*

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Kelly McGivern, District Clerk