



Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Policy Committee, Public Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education
6:30pm in the WBH Library

Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)

Tim Lambert __P__
Mike Bienes, Jr. __A__
Mike Brutsch __A__
Bill Buckenroth __P__
Raymona Griffin __A__
Sharon Putnam __P__
Richard Sime __P__

Also in attendance:

Leslie Whitcomb __P__
Matt Klafehn __P__
Andrew Kourt __P__
Josh Noble __P__
Kevin Fottrell __P__

1. POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30PM

2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Board President Lambert at 7:04pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

A. Presentation of the 2019-20 Proposed Budget- Presented by Superintendent Whitcomb and Kevin Fottrell.

B. Board President Lambert made the motion to close the public budget hearing. Board member Putnam seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT (added at the meeting)

Elizabeth Brutsch read a statement from Michael Brutsch (absent) congratulating tenured teachers.

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

A. K-12 Music program update- Val Synakowski presented on NYSSMA competition, band participation numbers, senior citizens brunch, spring events. The senior choir performed "Put a lid on it" for the board.

B. Student Representative update- Winter Exley was absent.

C. Technology update- Ethan Race was absent.

D. WBH update- Andrew Kourt presented on teacher and staff appreciation, math testing, nature's classroom trip, singer visits, grades 4-6 swim and congratulations to teachers receiving tenure.

E. JSHS update- Matt Klafehn presented on the Greece trip, NYS testing, field trips, top teacher dinner, and upcoming events.

F. Athletic report- Josh Noble presented on field conditions, mergers and transportation issues.

G. Business Office/Facilities and Grounds update- Kevin Fottrell presented on soccer fields, capital project, professional development and new TRS reserve.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board member Putnam made the motion to approve items 5A-C. Board member Buckenroth seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to approve the April 10, 2019 Board of Education Meeting minutes

B. Motion to approve the April 16, 2019 Board of Education meeting minutes

C. Motion to approve the April 30, 2019 Board of Education meeting minutes

6. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

A. WBH Science framework- information presented by Andrew Kourt.

Board President Lambert made the motion to approve items 6B-C. Board member Putnam seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Motion to approve the continued merger for sports teams

Boys and Girls Swim
Wrestling
Boys modified and varsity volleyball
Varsity bowling (mixed competition team, new merger)

C. Motion to approve CSE/CPSE recommendations of programs and placements

7. FINANCIAL

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

A. Motion to approve the March 2019 Treasurer's Report

B. Motion to approve the March 2019 grades 6-12 Extra-Curricular Accounts report

C. Motion to declare items excess

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 board feet of wood

D. Motion to award Neoplanta Restoration, Inc. the asbestos abatement bid

WHEREAS, the New Lebanon Central School District received, accepted and opened bids for asbestos abatement on May 2, 2019; and WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Neoplanta Restoration, Inc.; WHEREAS, the architect has recommended the award of the contract to the above contractor. THEREFORE: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the abatement asbestos bid is awarded to Neoplanta Restoration, Inc., with a base bid of \$163,000, resulting in a net contract award of \$163,000.

E. Motion to award RMB Mechanical, Inc. the mechanical construction bid

WHEREAS, the New Lebanon Central School District received, accepted and opened bids for mechanical construction on May 2, 2019; and WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was RMB Mechanical, Inc; WHEREAS, the architect has recommended the award of the contract to the above contractor. THEREFORE: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the mechanical construction bid is awarded to RMB Mechanical, Inc with a base bid of \$823,000, and a 1-H add alternate bid of \$3,200, resulting in a net contract award of \$826,200.

F. Motion to award Flex Electrical Constructors, Inc. the electrical construction bid

WHEREAS, the New Lebanon Central School District received, accepted and opened bids for electrical construction on May 2, 2019; and WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Flex Electrical Constructors, Inc.; WHEREAS, the architect has recommended the award of the contract to the above contractor. THEREFORE: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the electrical construction bid is awarded to Flex Electrical Constructors, Inc. with a base bid of \$1,192,000, a 1-E add alternate bid of \$2,500, and a 2-E add alternate of \$1,750, resulting in a net contract award of \$1,196,250.

G. Motion to award Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc. the plumbing construction bid

WHEREAS, the New Lebanon Central School District received, accepted and opened bids for plumbing construction on May 2, 2019; and WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc.; WHEREAS, the architect has recommended the award of the contract to the above contractor. THEREFORE: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plumbing construction bid is awarded to Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc. with a base bid of \$596,500, a 1-P add alternate bid of \$5,200, and a 2-P add alternate of \$6,100, resulting in a net contract award of \$607,800.

H. Motion to award Jersen Construction Group, LLC the general construction bid

WHEREAS, the New Lebanon Central School District received, accepted and opened bids for general construction on May 2, 2019; and WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder was Jersen Construction Group, LLC; WHEREAS, the architect has recommended the award of the contract to the above contractor. THEREFORE: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the general construction bid is awarded to Jersen Construction Group, LLC with the following bids:
base bid of \$4,586,000 and:

a 1-G add alternate bid of \$11,000
a 2-G add alternate of \$13,500
a 3-G add alternate of \$38,000
a 4-G add alternate of \$12,500
a 5-G add alternate of \$36,000
a 6-G add alternate of \$42,000
a 7-G add alternate of \$30,000
a UG-01 add alternate of \$1,000 (not accepted)
a UG-02 add alternate of \$300
resulting in a net contract award of \$4,769,000.

8. PERSONNEL

Board member Buckenroth made the motion to approve items 8A-G, I-M. Board member Putnam seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained. 8H tabled.

A. Motion to re-appoint a .4 grade K-6 Art Teacher

To re-appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Rachel Woods to the position of .4 K-6 Art Teacher effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

B. Motion to re-appoint a .8 grade 7-12 Art Teacher

To re-appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Donna Brooks to a .8 7-12 Art Teacher position effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

C. Motion to re-appoint a .6 grade K-12 Physical Education Teacher

To re-appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, James Hosley to a .6, K-12 Physical Education position effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

D. Motion to approve chaperones for Nature's Classroom from May 28- May 31, 2019

To approve the following chaperones for Nature's Classroom from May 28-May 31, 2019:

Katie Simmons
Andrew Kourt
Claire Budzinski
Nancy Parrott
Jeramie Davis
Candice Horton
Erin Meizinger
Robert Long

E. Motion to grant tenure to Deborah Gallucci

To grant tenure, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, to Deborah Gallucci in the Teaching Assistant area effective September 1, 2019.

F. Motion to grant tenure to Maria Sime

To grant tenure, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, to Maria Sime in the Social Studies tenure area effective September 1, 2019.

G. Motion to grant tenure to Emily Byrnes

To grant tenure, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, to Emily Byrnes in the English tenure area effective September 1, 2019.

H. Motion to grant tenure to Britt Buckenroth

To grant tenure, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, to Britt Buckenroth in the School Media Specialist (library) tenure area effective September 1, 2019.

I. Motion to grant tenure to Kelly Smith

To grant tenure, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, to Kelly Smith in the Elementary tenure area effective September 1, 2019.

J. Motion to grant tenure to Ashley Schaible

To grant tenure, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, to Ashley Schaible in the Elementary tenure area effective September 1, 2019.

K. Motion to appoint summer school teachers

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, the following summer program teachers and substitutes effective July 8- August 16, 2018 with two preparation days of July 1 and July 2 at a rate of \$30 per hour.

Courtney Wheat	Teacher
Melissa Cook	Teacher
Ashley Schaible	Teacher

L. Motion to appoint a science teacher

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Matthew Grubler to the 7-12 Science tenure area (probationary), Step 6, effective September 1, 2019 through September 1, 2023. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on the employee receiving APPR ratings of H or E in 3 of 4 preceding years (and no I rating in final year) (8 NYCRR § 30-1.3[d]).

M. Motion to appoint a bus driver

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Whitcomb, Tod Wallace as a bus driver, step 1 at a rate of \$17.95, effective April 30, 2019.

9. POLICY

A. Review a policy (second reading)

10. SUPERINTENDENT

A. May 21st Budget vote reminder

11. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Next Board of Education Meeting June 12, 2019

12. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board President Lambert made the motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:15pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular employee. Board member Buckenroth seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

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

13. ADJOURNMENT

Board member Putnam made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:42pm. Board President Lambert seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly McGivern

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk