



Wednesday, November 13, 2024

Regular Meeting of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education – JSHS Library 7pm

Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)

Mike Brutsch __P__
Bill Buckenroth __P__
John Kalisz __A__
Kyle Kuffel __A__
Rob Long __P__
Sharon Powers __P__
Thom Rigg __A__

Also in attendance:

Chris Harper __P__
Matt Klafehn __P__
Josh Noble __P__
Danielle Brewster __A__
Corey Brown __P__
Lee Bordick __P__

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Board President Brutsch at 7:00pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

A. The Bonadio Group presented on the audit results.

B. Bernard P. Donegan, Inc. presentation.

C. Student Update- Eben Donahue and Sam Pierce presented on Just Foods Thanksgiving dinner, 5k turkey trot and choir performance for senior citizens.

D. WBH update- Josh Noble presented on the Veterans assembly, craft fair, tree lighting and mock election.

E. JSHS update- Matt Klafehn presented on the conference day, Blue Ribbon committee update, new report card format, cell phone turn-ins, financial aid night and attendance incentives.

F. Athletic update- Corey Brown presented on fall banquet and varsity sports.

G. Business Office update- Lee Bordick presented on completed audit, Chromebook distribution and the kitchen's increase in sales.

H. Superintendent update Superintendent Harper presented on Chromebooks, Wi-Fi dead zones fixed, e-rate monies that need to be spent, Raptor will be installed next week, Daisy Gail's book nook, bus driver needs and test results.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Finn Buckenroth, Britt Buckenroth, Bill Buckenroth and Ali Kam spoke in support of the board looking into the possibility of changing from the Rensselaer Education Center to the Hudson center for the purpose of having access to the aviation program they offer. Board President Brutsch read an email from Tistrya Houghtling that he received regarding energy drinks.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 4A. Board member Powers seconded. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to approve the October 9, 2024 Board of Education Meeting minutes

5. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

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

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

6. FINANCIAL

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 6A-G. Board member Long seconded. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to approve budget transfers

B. 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 Harper to dispose of the items as attached: 7 old archery targets- ripped and torn, 44" snow blower for a John Deere X500

C. Motion to approve the September 2024 Treasurer's Report

D. Motion to approve the September 2024 extra-curricular report

E. Motion to approve the October 2024 grades 6-12 extra-curricular accounts report

F. Motion to approve the 2024-25 School Tax Collection Report

G. Motion to accept donations

7. PERSONNEL

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 7A-K. Board member Powers seconded. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to appoint coaches- To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, the following coaches for the 2024-25 school year:

Varsity Boys Basketball

Karl Erickson

Cole Erickson

JV Boys Basketball

Clayton Erickson

Dylan Jones

Girls Wrestling

Asst: Tallulah Powers

Swim

HC: Tim Christenson

Asst: Danielle Jones

Boys Wrestling

HC: Jared DeLuca

Boys Volleyball

HC: Holly Fiet

B. Motion to extend a maternity leave

C. Motion to certify Interim Superintendent Harper as a Qualified Lead Evaluator

D. Motion to certify Matthew Klafehn as Qualified Lead Evaluator

E. Motion to certify Joshua Noble as Qualified Lead Evaluator

F. Motion to certify Corey Brown as Qualified Lead Evaluator

G. Motion to certify Danielle Brewster as an Independent Evaluator

H. Motion to appoint substitutes

Rhiannon Bergeron- Substitute Teacher/TA/Aide- \$100 per day

Jannelle Johnson- Substitute Kitchen-\$15.52 per hour

I. Motion to accept a resignation- To accept a resignation from Jannelle Johnson, effective December 20, 2024.

J. Motion to appoint a 1-hour cleaner for the bus garage-To appoint, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Joe Dengler, as a 1 hour cleaner for the bus garage, effective October 30, 2024.

K. Motion to appoint a cook/server cashier- To appoint, upon the recommendation of the superintendent, Amanda Domey as a cook/server cashier, effective November 12, 2024 at a rate of \$15.52 per hour.

8. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Next Board Meeting Date: December 11, 2024

Also discussed: Questar's presentation on finding a superintendent and board member Kuffle's resignation.

9. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not Needed

Board President Brutsch made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9pm. Board Vice President Kalisz seconded. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly McGivern

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk