

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Laurin, Board President.

Emergency Exit Review was reviewed by Mr. Laurin, Board President.

Board Members Present were Mr. R. Ferrannini, Mrs. L. Gormley, Mr. J. Helft at 7:02 PM, Mr. G. Laurin, Mr. D. Skott at 7:01 PM and Mr. D. Wilwol. Also present was Ms. P. Cottrell, District Clerk, Mr. K. Facin, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. P. Hatfield, School Business Admin, Mrs. K. Philpott, Director of Spec Ed, Mr. P. Dailey, K-6 Principal and Mrs. S. Vadney, 7-12 Principal.

Board Member Absent was Mr. D. Sutton.

Board Presentations:

1. Jennifer McDonald and Chris Farley: 7th & 8th grade Washington DC field trip
 - Ms. McDonald and Mr. Farley presented an overview of their proposed trip to Washington, DC from May 3 through May 5, 2012.
 - *** A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mrs. Gormley to allow an overnight field trip for the 7th and 8th grade students May 3 through May 5, 2012 to Washington, DC.
 - Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
2. Amy Netti, Jennifer Barron, Andrea Bearor, Vicki Malossi-Perry: K-6 Reading Program
 - An overview of our K-6 reading program was presented by Assistant Principal Amy Netti and the 6th grade faculty highlighting the tools they are currently using to increase literacy among students. 6th grade students presented a power point slide show illustrating how much fun they have reading.

Public Comment Session: Started at 7:42 pm and Ended at 7:42 pm

Board President's Report:

1. Community Coalition: Both Mr. Facin and Mr. Laurin attended the Community Coalition meeting November 1. Mr. Laurin will continue to represent the Board at this and other community meetings.

Board Forum: This is an opportunity for Board Members to ask clarifying questions and discuss issues.

1. Mr. Skott had a concern about modified athletes having practice end by 4:15 which would enable them to ride the 4:15 bus home. Mr. Facin will speak to Mr. Lamy about this issue. Mr. Skott was asked to speak to the coach as a parent indicating his concern.

Approval of Minutes:

1. A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mr. Wilwol to approve the Board Minutes of October 13, 2011 Special / Workshop meeting.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mrs. Gormley to approve the Board Minutes of October 20, 2011 Regular meeting.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.

2. to approve the appointment of Reena Jones as a non-certified substitute teacher with a BA degree effective November 14, 2011 at a rate of \$70 per day. Ms. Jones has been cleared by NYSED.
3. to approve the appointment of Kara Reimann as a non-certified substitute teacher with a BA degree effective November 14, 2011 at a rate of \$70 per day. Ms. Reimann has been cleared by NYSED.
4. to approve the appointment of Greg Fox as a Volunteer for boys varsity basketball for the 2011-2012 school year.

C. Miscellaneous:

1. A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mr. Wilwol to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2011.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
2. A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mrs. Gormley to approve the Treasurer's Report for October 2011.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
3. A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mr. Wilwol to accept a \$600 donation from the Hoosick Falls Central PTA to be used toward the purchase of art equipment and supplies for the Art Club.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
4. A motion was made by Mr. Wilwol seconded by Mrs. Gormley to approve the following school tax refund as authorized by Washington County Real Property Tax Services:
- David & Margaret Groben, Town of White Creek \$498.79
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
- Mr. Helft asked if this was due to a grievance file and Mrs. Hatfield stated that it was due to the STAR being eliminated in error.
5. A motion was made by Mr. Wilwol seconded by Mrs. Gormley to approve the Budget Development Calendar for the 2012-2013 school year.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
6. A motion was made by Mrs. Gormley seconded by Mr. Helft to Abolish the position of school monitor, effective November 8, 2011. The person holding this title will be placed on a Preferred Eligibility List for 2 years.
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.
7. A motion was made by Mrs. Gormley seconded by Mr. Wilwol to approve the 2nd and Final Reading on the following policies:
0115 Student Bullying Prevention and Intervention
0115-R Student Bullying Prevention and Intervention Regulation
Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.

Committees:

- a. Facilities: D. Sutton, Chair; D. Skott, J. Helft
- b. Audit: R. Ferrannini, Chair; L. Gormley, G. Laurin
- c. Policy: G. Laurin, Chair; L. Gormley, D. Wilwol
- Dec. 1, 2011 @ 6:00 PM

- Mr. Laurin stated that when the committee chair plans to report at the board meeting that he would appreciate a copy of the report prior to the board meeting.

PTA:

- meetings: November 16, 2011 @ 6:30 pm
January 18, 2012 @ 6:30 pm
- Fall fundraiser a success
- Fall festival Oct. 29 was also a very big success
- Thank you for support from the school district.

HFTA Report: (Chris Marsh)

1. APPR agreement is done and the process is moving forward.
2. 1st marking period grades are out and improvement over last year.
3. Holiday Party December 8 at Barbeque from 3:00-6:00, board invited

Old Board Actions: None

Board Correspondence: None

- Mr. Laurin read a letter from board member David Sutton explaining his absence at this meeting and the December meeting.

CSE Recommendations:

A motion was made by Mr. Wilwol seconded by Mrs. Gormley to approve the appropriate special education programs and services to be provided to students with disabilities as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.

Subsequent Meeting Dates:

- The Board of Education will hold the Regular Meeting on December 15, 2011 @ 7:00 PM in the high school library.

2nd Public Comment Session: Started at 8:35 pm and Ended at 8:36 pm.

1. Alex Brooks stated that he saw the production Mr. Sutton was in and it was well worth his time, very good.

Board Forum: This is an opportunity for Board members to ask clarifying questions.

1. Mr. Helft attended last week's soccer game and the school was well represented by students and family of the team members.
2. Mr. Laurin thanked the press for their wonderful coverage of both our soccer and football teams.

Executive Session: A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mr. Wilwol to go into Executive Session for reason to discuss Personnel Issues at 8:39 pm.

Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.

* There will be no board actions following this executive session.

A motion was made by Mrs. Gormley seconded by Mr. Wilwol to return to Regular Session at 9:19 pm.

Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Mr. Helft seconded by Mr. Wilwol to Adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm.

Vote: 6 ayes 0 noes; motion carried.