

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE SPENCERPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: April 23, 2013
Spencerport, New York

Members Present: Mr. Bracken, Ms. Gillette, Ms. Tyler, Mr. Sweeney, Mr. Hutton, Mr. Young

Absent: Mr. Oberlin

Others Present: Mr. Milgate, Mr. Crumb, Mr. Zinkiewich, Mr. Wood

The Regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Spencerport Central School District was called to order at 7:02 p.m. E.D.S.T. by the President, Mr. Sweeney, in the Board of Education Conference Room in the Administration Building.

1. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Board of Education members and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Bracken and seconded by Ms. Gillette that the Board approve the Regular session agenda.

Vote of the Board: Yes: 6

Yes: 6

No: 0

Note: Mr. Oberlin entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

3. BOARD RECOGNITION

First Robotics Team 3015 - Mr. Crumb recognized our robotics team and their coaches, sponsors, and the students for their success in their 5th year of competition. He noted that this year, in the regional competition, the team was 12-3, placed 3rd, and received the Quality Award. From there the students attended the national level competition in Richmond, Virginia where they took 2nd place and had one design recognized with the Industrial Design Award. Mr. Crumb congratulated the team on their commitment and shared two videos on the team's accomplishments. Mr. Crumb then introduced Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Gallina as the advisors for the team. They shared their appreciation for all of the support and made connections to the educational value of the program. They also noted the extreme commitment of the sixteen mentors from industry that have supported the program this year. In

addition to the events, the students are engaged in community service and are utilizing their classroom knowledge. It was also shared that there has been over \$86,000 in scholarships awarded this year and nearly \$500,000 in scholarships over the past five years. Mr. Gallina thanked the corporate sponsors for their donations. They closed by sharing how proud they are of the students. Board President Mr. Sweeney shared that his daughter was on the very first robotics team and for him to see how this program has grown and the number of students and community members touched by this program is outstanding. He connected this to our District Mission and our commitment to partnerships in the community.

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

There were no requests.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Old Business

Approval of the Board of Education meeting minutes held April 9, 2013

5.2 New Business

5.21 Approve Personnel actions as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools

A. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

1. RESIGNATIONS

- a. Martin Pavone, Physical Education Teacher assigned to Cosgrove Middle School, resigning effective April 12, 2013. Reason: deceased
- b. Natalie Blanton, Teaching Assistant assigned to Cosgrove Middle School, resigning effective April 12, 2013. Reason: other employment
- c. Eric Ockrin, School Psychologist assigned to Munn Elementary School, resigning effective August 1, 2013. Reason: personal

ADDENDUM

- d. Kristina Vollmer, teacher on the Preferred Eligibility List in the Remedial Reading tenure area, has declined to accept the full-time position at Cosgrove Middle school effective July 1, 2013. Ms. Vollmer resigned effective March 20, 2013, and will be removed from the Preferred Eligibility List. Reason: voluntary

2. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

- a. Brian Stepping, Teaching Assistant assigned to Bernabi Elementary School and Taylor Elementary School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence on March 21, 2013 (morning only) and March 22, 2013.

- b. Lisa Cutten, Elementary Teacher assigned to Munn Elementary School, requesting a family and medical leave of absence from March 15, 2013 to March 29, 2013.
- c. Jill Jacobs, Art Teacher assigned to Bernabi Elementary School, requesting a child care leave of absence from July 1, 2013 to May 31, 2015.
- d. Lydia Prusik, Art Teacher assigned to Spencerport High School, requesting a military leave of absence from May 1, 2013 to May 3, 2013.
- e. Deborah Credit, FACS Teacher assigned to Cosgrove Middle School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from May 6, 2013 to May 9, 2013.

3. SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Certification Area or Degree Status</u>
Campbell	Alecia	Elementary
Gudonis	Alexandra	Bachelors
Frank	Brenda	Bachelors
McKeown	Kathleen	Elementary & Special Education
Peabody	Aileen	Speech
Hawkins	Natalie	Bachelors
Bodine	Shannon	Physical Education
Frisch	Joshua	Music
Barker	Frannklin	Physical Education
Burchell	David	Physical Education

4. EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND INTER-SCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

- a. Steve Passero, appointed Volunteer Coach for the Modified B Softball Team for the Spring 2012-13 season.
- b. Josh Sweeney, appointed Volunteer Coach for the Modified B Boys Lacrosse Team for the Spring 2012-13 season.
- c. Richard Mueller, appointed Multicultural Club advisor at Spencerport High School. The stipend to be shared is \$100.
- d. Suzanne Gary, appointed Crochet Club advisor at Bernabi Elementary School. The stipend is \$100.

B. CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

1. RESIGNATIONS

- a. Kimberly Moon, Food Service Helper assigned to Canal View Elementary School, resigning effective April 26, 2013. Reason: personal
- b. Eileen Roberts, Teacher Aide assigned to Spencerport High School, resigning effective April 29, 2013. Reason: relocation

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCES

- a. David Nau, Bus Driver for the Transportation Department, requesting a family and medical leave of absence from April 8, 2013 to May 13, 2013.
- b. Marguerite Sassone, Lunch Monitor assigned to Munn Elementary School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from March 14, 2013 to March 22, 2013.
- c. Carolyn Vickery, Food Service Helper assigned to Spencerport High School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from April 15, 2013 to April 29, 2013.
- d. Felice Hill, Teacher Aide assigned to Canal View Elementary School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from March 27, 2013 to March 28, 2013, April 11, 2013 (morning only) and April 15, 2013 (morning only).
- e. Mary Pat Fenity, Teacher Aide assigned to Canal View Elementary School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from April 30, 2013 to May 1, 2013.
- f. Robert Neusatz, Accompanist assigned to Spencerport High School and Cosgrove Middle School, requesting an unpaid leave of absence from March 21, 2013 to March 25, 2013.

3. CHANGE IN APPOINTMENT

- a. Lori McSorley, Information and Computer Systems Operator, assigned to Spencerport High School, effective April 17, 2013. Salary is \$15.69 per hour. Ms. McSorley is replacing Ms. Hagberg.

4. AMENDMENTS

- a. Debra Finkle, Office Clerk III assigned to District Office, amending her previously approved family and medical leave of absence (February 4, 2013 to April 12, 2013) to April 8, 2013.
- b. Theresa Eichner, Bus Driver for the Transportation Department, requesting an extension of her previously approved family and medical leave of absence (February 25, 2013 to March 28, 2013) to April 16, 2013.
- c. Robert Bouvy, Bus Driver for the Transportation Department, requesting an extension of his previously approved family and medical leave of absence (January 14, 2013 to April 14, 2013) to April 23, 2013.

5.22 Warrents

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Checks</u>
General Funds	3/20/13	\$482,192.01	48
	3/28/13	201,042.87	79
	4/10/13	882,087.02	54
	4/18/13	1,449.33	1
Federal Funds	3/20/13	85.30	1
	3/28/13	3,483.00	1

School Lunch	3/20/13	5,822.29	7
	3/28/13	6,906.13	7
	4/10/13	2,181.71	1
Capital Fund	3/20/13	12,628.00	1
Trust & Agency	3/20/13	660.49	3
	3/28/13	4,175.94	2
	3/29/13	509,066.46	39
	4/10/13	273.45	1
	4/15/13	506,520.44	38

5.23 Committee on Special Education

The recommendations of the Committee on Special Education meetings: 01/30/13, 02/07/13, 02/12/13, 02/25/13, 02/26/13, 02/28/13, 03/04/13, 03/06/13, 03/08/13, 03/11/13, 03/12/13, 03/13/13, 03/14/13, 03/15/13, 03/18/13, 03/19/13, 03/20/13, 03/21/13, 03/22/13, 03/25/13, 03/26/13, 03/27/13, 03/28/13, 04/09/13, 04/10/13, 04/11/13, 04/12/13, 04/15/13 and 04/16/13

5.24 2013-2014 Health Services Contract

<u>District</u>	<u>No. of Students</u>	<u>Cost Per Pupil</u>	<u>Total</u>
East Irondequoit	3	\$ 475.83	\$ 1,427.49

5.25 Munn Donation

The Munn Parents Association would like to make a \$2,000 donation to the Spencerport Board of Education to fund the attendance of Mrs. Jeanne Pacitto, Munn's School Counselor and PBIS coach, at the National Rachel's Challenge Educational Summit from June 27-29, 2013.

5.26 Field Trip

The following field trip of more than 50 miles is submitted for approval for the 2012-2013 school year. Please be aware that there is a three day leeway on either side of any departure dates listed for international travel.

The Spencerport High School requests approval for the following field trip for 2012-2013:

1. The Ranger Robotics team is requesting a trip to Dublin, Ohio from June 21-June 22, 2013.

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>GRADE LEVEL/ CLASS</u>	<u>DESTINATION CITY/PLACE</u>	<u>OBJECTIVE(S)</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SCHOOL DAYS MISSED</u>	<u># OF STUDENTS /ADULTS RATIO</u>	<u>COST (EST.)</u>
Spencerport High School	Ranger Robotics	Dublin, Ohio	To participate in A FIRST Robotics Offseason Event which allows students to identify needs for technical solutions, solve problems, manage time and resources in a technological project.	June 21-22, 2013	0	20 students 3 adults 7:1	\$100 per student

Motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Hutton to approve the Consent Agenda with the addendum as provided.

Vote of the Board: Yes: 7

Yes: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 1

6. BOARD OF EDUCATION

6.1 President's Report and Communication

Mr. Sweeney shared that he has attended several of the budget presentations and shared that it is being met with positive responses and very few questions. Positive feedback has been shared after a number of the presentations and he shared that is he taking that as good news. He also shared that he attended the calling hours for Mr. Pavone and noted that this is a sad time for our district, Mr. Pavone's family, and for Cosgrove.

6.2 Board of Education Member's Report

Mr. Oberlin shared that he missed the budget vote a few weeks ago but wanted to voice that he supported it. Ms. Tyler shared that she and Ms. Gillette enjoyed the BOCES dinner and budget presentation. They both said it was a great event and encouraged other Board members to attend in the future.

6.3 Discussion on Resolution Regarding NYS Assessments

Mr. Sweeney shared a draft document with the Board of Education as a resolution regarding the implementation of Common Core and APPR. He opened it to comments for the Board members. Mr. Bracken shared he felt the resolution shows that we have concerns. Ms. Gillette noted that she believes in State testing and wouldn't be comfortable having her name on the resolution. Ms. Tyler shared she agrees with Ms. Gillette on much of her thoughts and doesn't have an issue of having a State test. Mr. Sweeney noted that as a School Board, we are charged with higher assessing and rating of our employees and that there are not many private industries that are told how to evaluate their employees. He shared his concern that the power of the community is taken out of our hands to determine how to evaluate employees. Mr. Oberlin added that the political nature of this is not about our district but more about those districts that are struggling academically and he challenged what the purpose of the resolution is or what we would do with this. Mr. Sweeney noted that the resolution doesn't say we are against supporting assessments. Mr. Oberlin noted that one way to get NYSSBA support is to put a resolution forth for them to vote on at a state-wide level. Mr. Hutton shared that he felt that his role on the School Board was to be a voice that is heard. He noted that something like this document is needed but this particular document doesn't seem to put us at a consensus. Further, he believes we should work more on this. Mr. Young sees the testing mandate is a requirement for us to receive federal and state funding. He noted that we are spending a lot of time on something that we can't change. Mr. Oberlin shared that we need to recognize that public education and teachers are under attack but that we believe, as a district, we are doing a great job. Ms. Gillette agreed with this perspective. Mr. Sweeney summarized by noting that the resolution before us is not the best solution and that he has heard two different ideas:

1. Put together a resolution to put forward to the NYSSBA convention.
2. Since this resolution isn't the right document, do we want to take the pieces that we agree to and go from there?

Mr. Oberlin recommended the use of a subcommittee to investigate options and come back to the Board with them. Mr. Bracken would still like to see the Board put forth a statement in the short term sharing how we feel. Board members shared some final thoughts around the value of the Board sharing their perspective and Mr. Sweeney revisited the idea of forming a subcommittee to draft a potential letter that could be a message from the Board to a committee. With three one-hour plus discussions at Board meetings, Mr. Sweeney endorsed the idea of having a subcommittee work on this. He also shared a need to communicate with our community on the good job that our educators are doing, the need to support collaboration for all stakeholders, a need to form a subcommittee to bring a recommendation back to the full Board for either a public resolution or a resolutions back for the NYSSBA Conference. Mr. Sweeney agreed to draft a potential letter for the Board to review and Mr. Oberlin agreed to form a subcommittee of various stakeholders as well.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.1 Determine Order for Placement of Board Candidates on Ballot

Dan Milgate, Board of Education Clerk, utilized a drawing process to determine the order of candidates for the ballot. He noted that there are two open positions for Mr. Bracken's and Mr. Sweeney's Board seats. He also shared that there were two unopposed candidates for this position which were also Mr. Bracken and Mr. Sweeney. The order of names was drawn by Mr. Zinkiewicz which resulted in Mr. Sweeney being first on the ballot and Mr. Bracken being second on the ballot.

7.2 Process and Agenda for Annual Budget Hearing and Meet the Candidates Forum

Mr. Milgate introduced Ms. Cypher, Communications Specialist, who reviewed the agenda and plan for the public hearing for the budget and our Meet the Candidate Forum.

I. Proposed 2013-2014 Budget Presentation (20 minutes)

Superintendent Michael Crumb and Executive Director of Business Operations Rick Wood

II. Questions/Answers on Budget Administration (10 minutes)

III. Meet the Candidates (30 minutes)

A. Welcome by Lanette Cypher (5 minutes)

- Welcome to the Meet the Candidates portion of the hearing.
- Each candidate will have two (2) minutes to introduce themselves, and three (3) minutes to answer the questions submitted from the audience.
- TBD has agreed to be our time keeper in an effort to provide equal time to our candidates. He/she will raise a colored card to alert candidates when time is up.
- Introduce the following students to facilitate this part of the evening. They are: TBD by Principal Sean McCabe.

B. Questions from the Floor HS students (25 minutes)

- Welcome and introduce candidates. Invite the audience to submit their questions on index cards. We will try to get to as many as possible within the time frame so we may consolidate some questions that appear similar (two (2) minute introductions by candidates now)).

- We will have time for three (3) or four (4) questions – flexible depending on time remaining. (Students will draft a couple ahead of time to ensure use of time wisely.)

C. Re-introduce Mike Crumb to continue next portion of hearing.

IV. Conclusion and Time and Place of Voting (5 minutes)

7.3 BOCES 2 Board of Education Candidates - Attached

Mr. Crumb reviewed the need for our Board to cast a vote for the BOCES annual election vote ballot. Mr. Sweeney provided an overview of our past practice with this and Board members asked a few questions regarding the process for endorsing candidates from other districts for this role.

Motion was made by Mr. Oberlin and seconded by Ms. Tyler to approve a unanimous yes vote for all three candidates as presented on the BOCES annual election/budget vote ballot.

Vote of the Board: Yes: 7

Yes: 7

No: 0

7.4 BOCES 2 Administrative Budget

– RECOMMENDED –

RESOLUTION FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET OF THE BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

APRIL __, 2013

Whereas, the Spencerport Central School District is a component district of the Monroe 2-Orleans Board of Cooperative Educational Services, and

Whereas, Education Law as amended in 1993 requires that the administrative budget of BOCES be approved by a majority vote of the component districts, and

Whereas, the Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES proposed 2013-14 administrative budget of \$4,817,917, represents a 3.1% increase over the 2012-13 administrative budget of \$4,672,541, and

Whereas, the net cost to be billed to the districts will be \$4,132,918, which represents a 2.7% increase over the 2012-13 billing cost; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Spencerport Central School District approves the proposed 2013-14 Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES administrative budget of \$4,817,917.

A motion was made by Mr. Bracken and seconded by Ms. Gillette to approve a resolution for the Board of Education on the Proposed Administrative Budget of the Board of Cooperative Education Services as presented.

Vote of the Board: Yes: 7

Yes: 7

No: 0

7.5 Overview of the District's Trauma, Illness and Grief (TIG) in Schools Protocols -

Mr. Zinkewich introduced Ms. Richmond, Director of Special Education, to provide an overview of our TIG protocols. She shared the membership, procedures, and value of TIG here in Spencerport; especially when challenging situations arise. Both Mr. Zinkewich and Ms. Richmond noted the program's value and the calming influence that trained personnel can offer students, staff, and the community. Mr. Oberlin asked that the Board of Education be informed when there is a Level Four (4) situation.

7.6 March 31, 2013 Financial Report

Mr. Wood shared he had an opportunity to meet with our external auditor to review our methodology for forecasting revenues, expenses, and fund balance. He then provided the Board members with an overview of the revenues and expenditures for the period ending March 2013. Two revenue accounts that may show the most change are State Aid; Excess Cost Aid and Sales Tax. Additional information has already been submitted for Excess Cost Aid. The third payment for sales tax will occur in late May and a more accurate forecast will be presented then. A more aggressive forecast was made for year-end expenditures, specifically benefits, and now reflects a savings of \$1.6 million dollars. Finally, he reviewed each line of the fund balance analysis worksheet. Mr. Wood shared that the projected excess fund balance will be approximately \$2.1 million which is subject to change over the next month. A recommendation will be made in June for reserves.

Motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded Mr. Hutton to accept the financial report as presented.

Vote of the Board: Yes: 7

Yes: 7

No: 0

8. MEETING EVALUATION

No comments provided

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Ms. Gillette and seconded by Ms. Tyler to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

Mr. Sweeney moved us out of executive session and back into regular session at 9:20 p.m.

9. **ADJOURN**

Motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Oberlin to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

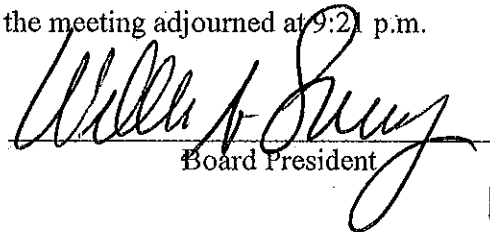
Vote of the Board: Yes: 7

Yes: 7
No: 0

As there was no further business, Mr. Sweeney declared the meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.



District Clerk



Board President