

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE AU SABLE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2017, PURSUANT TO NOTICE

ROLL – Scott Bombard, President

MEMBERS – Susan Richards, Mark Allen, Sherry Snow, Robyn Pray, David Whitford

ABSENT – James E. Martineau, Jr.

ADMINISTRATION – Paul D. Savage II, Matt Rogers, Aimee Defayette, Dean Lincoln, Ginene Mason

FACULTY & STAFF – Scott Brow, Mario LaFranca, Jay Hamilton, Della Allen

CALL TO ORDER –President Bombard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –President Bombard led the pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

AUDIT REPORT – Thomas Telling, Telling & Associates, CPS PC, gave a detailed report on the 2016-2017 Independent Audit.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Superintendent Savage said they had a great opening week with the schools conducting open house and orientation. He also thanked Phil Mero, Middle School Principal, and Javier Perez, High School Principal, for doing all the work to host the Ragnor Race again this fall. He also informed the Board that he was still waiting for approval on Pre-K from the State. AVCS Hall of Fame is being held this weekend.

VISITORS – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION – On motion by Robyn Pray, seconded by David Whitford and carried unanimously, the Board convened in Executive Session at 6:23 p.m. for the purpose of discussing negotiated agreements.

REGULAR SESSION –President Bombard called the meeting back to order at 6:49 p.m.

MINUTES – On motion by Sherry Snow, seconded by Mark Allen and carried unanimously, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLVED, to accept as presented, the Minutes of the August 16, 2017, Regular Board Meeting.

APPLICATIONS FOR NON-INSTRUCTIONAL EMPLOYMENT – President Bombard acknowledged the following non-instructional applications: Tracie Hennessey, Gail Coleman and Heather Forgette

AU SABLE VALLEY TEACHERS’ ASSOCIATION REPORT – Mario LaFranca, AVTA Co-President, thanked everyone for the great start to the new school year, knowing how much hard work needs to be accomplished in the summer for things to go smoothly in September.

TREASURER'S REPORT – On motion by Robyn Pray, seconded by Susan Richards and carried unanimously, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, to accept the July 2017 Treasurer's Report, as presented.

EXTRA-CLASSROOM TREASURER'S REPORT- On motion by Mark Allen, seconded by Robyn Pray and carried unanimously, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, to accept the Extra-classroom Treasurer's report for the period ending July 31, 2017, as presented.

ACCEPT SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS – On motion by Sherry Snow, seconded by David Whitford and carried unanimously, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, to accept the Subcommittee on Special Education recommendations dated April 6, 2017, through June 15, 2017, and the Preschool CPSE recommendations dated May 11, 2017, through August 15, 2017, as presented.

ACCEPT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR– On motion by Susan Richards, seconded by Robyn Pray and carried unanimously, the following resolution was accepted:

RESOLVED, to accept the Annual Independent Audit of the 2016-2017 school year performed by Telling & Associates, CPS PC, as presented.

PERSONNEL –President Bombard asked if there were any items in the Personnel Section that Board members wished to be considered separately.

On motion by Susan Richards, seconded David Whitford and carried unanimously, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, to approve a consent agenda for all items in the Personnel Section.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON FOR SPECIAL BUS VOTE, OCTOBER 18, 2017

RESOLVED, to appoint Della Allen as Chairperson for the Special Bus Vote on Wednesday, October 18, 2107, and Scott Brow as Alternate Chairperson.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL FOR SPECIAL BUS VOTE, OCTOBER 18, 2017

RESOLVED, to appoint the following persons as election personnel for the Wednesday, October 18, 2017, Special Bus Vote:

Clerks: Della Allen and Donna Douglas
Inspectors: Ron Wilkins and Harvey LeCuyer

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF COACHES

- (1) **RESOLVED**, to appoint the following coach for the 2017-2018 school year who has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA:

Mike Brandt – Modified Volleyball

- (2) **RESOLVED**, to appoint the following coach for the 2017-2018 school year , pending fingerprint clearance from OSPRA:

Nate Casey – Assistant Boys Varsity Soccer – retro-active to August 14, 2017

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF TEACHER AIDE/STUDENT AIDE

RESOLVED, to accept with regret, a letter of resignation from April Gonyo, Teacher Aide/Student Aide at the Middle School/High School, effective August 11, 2017, per her e-mail dated August 11, 2017.

APPROVE INTENT TO RETIRE

RESOLVED, to accept a letter of intent to retire, January 19, 2018, from Philip Mero, Middle School Principal, per his letter dated August 18, 2017.

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF FOOD SERVICE HELPER

RESOLVED, to accept with regret a letter of resignation from Mary Claire Smythe, Food Service Helper at Keeseville Elementary School, effective August 23, 2017, per her letter dated September 7, 2017.

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF 40% TEACHER

RESOLVED, to accept with regret, the resignation of Melinda McCray, 40% Teacher at Keeseville Elementary School, effective August 11, 2017, per her letter dated August 11, 2017.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR THE 2017-2018

RESOLVED, that Justin Hart will be appointed as a permanent substitute Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year, retro-active to September 1, 2017, and ending June 15, 2018. Mr. Hart has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

Per Board Resolution dated March 20, 2002, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLVED, to offer Health Insurance to long-term and permanent substitute teachers, at their (employee) expense, after they have worked in the position for a period of ten weeks.

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF TEACHER

RESOLVED, to accept with regret a letter of resignation from Michelle Doorey, English Teacher at the Middle School/ High School, effective August 22, 2017, per her letter dated August 22, 2017.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF CUSTODIAL WORKER (8 HRS/DAY)

RESOLVED, to approve a 26-week probationary appointment of Barry Marsha, as a Custodial Worker (8 hrs/day), effective September 21, 2017, salary to be Step 1; (18,373 pro-rated) of the CSEA contract based on the 2016-2021 Agreement. Mr. Masha has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF PART-TIME TEACHER AIDE/STUDENT AIDE

RESOLVED, to appoint Chelsea Sprague to the Part-time Teacher Aide/Student Aide position at the Middle School-High School, retro-active to September 6, 2017, through April 10, 2018, (2.75 hours per day, when needed); salary to be Step 7/hourly (\$11.69/hr) based on the Agreement between Au Sable Valley Central School and the CSEA 2016-2021. Ms. Sprague has fingerprint clearance through OSPRA.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL

RESOLVED, to appoint the following people as substitute personnel on an emergency conditional basis pending fingerprint clearance from OSPRA: Angela Brandt and Laura Ocasio

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER AIDE/STUDENT AIDE (3.5 HRS/DAY)

RESOLVED, to approve a 26-week probationary appointment of Morgan Himmel, as a Teacher Aide/Student Aide (3.5hrs/day), effective September 21, 2017, salary to be Step 1; (\$6,355 pro-rated) of the CSEA contract based on the 2016-2021 Agreement. Mrs. Himmel has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

APPROVE RESIGNATION OF TEACHER AIDE/STUDENT AIDE

RESOLVED, to accept a letter of resignation from Melissa Manning, Teacher Aide/Student Aide at Au Sable Forks Elementary School, effective September 25, 2017, per her letter dated September 12, 2017.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF TEACHING ASSISTANT

RESOLVED, to grant a probationary appointment to Melissa Manning in the area of Teaching Assistant effective September 25, 2017, at Au Sable Forks Elementary School. Mrs. Manning has her Level 1, Teaching Assistant Certification. This appointment is a tenured track full-time position; Salary to be Step 3 of the Teaching Assistant salary schedule, (\$24,274 pro-rated). Probationary period will begin September 25, 2017, through September 25, 2021. Mrs. Manning has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

APPROVE APPOINT OF ENRICHMENT TEACHER

RESOLVED, to appoint Anastasia Kneussle as Enrichment Teacher at Keeseville Elementary School, effective September 1, 2017, through June 22, 2018, for services rendered at a stipend of \$1,500. Ms. Kneussle has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF CO-CURRICULAR ADVISOR

RESOLVED, to appoint the following person as an advisor for the 2017-2018 school year:

Volunteer Middle School French Club – Kathryn Inhelder

APPROVE RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES

RESOLVED, to accept with regret a letter of resignation for retirement purposes from David Lessard, Bus Driver at the Keeseville Bus Garage, effective December 31, 2017, per his letter dated September 5, 2017.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER AIDE/STUDENT AIDE (6.75 HRS/DAY)

RESOLVED, to approve a 26-week probationary appointment of Sara Perkett, as a Teacher Aide/Student Aide (6.75 hrs/day), effective September 21, 2017, salary to be Step 1; (\$12,256 pro-rated) of the CSEA contract based on the 2016-2021 Agreement. Ms. Perkett has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER AIDE/STUDENT AIDE (6.75 HRS/DAY)

RESOLVED, to approve a 26-week probationary appointment of Shelley Hickey as a Teacher Aide/Student Aide (6.75 hrs/day), effective September 21, 2017, salary to be Step 1; (\$12,256 pro-rated) of the CSEA contract based on the 2016-2021 Agreement. Mrs. Hickey has fingerprint clearance from OSPRA.

VISITORS - None

OTHER BUSINESS – Save the Dates- Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington School Boards Association Meetings:

November 16, 2017 – Topic: How to be a Better Board Member

January 11, 2018 – Topic: Learning from our Colleagues: Making it Happen Here

ADJOURNED – On motion by Robyn Pray, seconded by Susan Richards and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Della Allen, Clerk
Board of Education