

**THE HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD
A REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING ON THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 23, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

1.1 ROLL CALL/SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL,
SALUTE TO THE
FLAG

The meeting was called to order at 6:02PM by Board
President Burns.

Roll call was taken with Mr. Burns, Mr. Dattoria, Mrs.
Noyes, Mrs. Quick and Mr. Rhodes in attendance. Mrs.
Anderson arrived at 6:32PM and Mr. Weist was absent
from the meeting. Also in attendance was Superintendent
Rullo and Administrators Conrow, DiMaria, Horton,
McLaughlin, Quick and Sloan. Additional attendees are
noted on the guest list.

1.2 SALUTE TO THE FLAG

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

2.1 EXECUTIVE SESSION

17-0223-I

On a motion made by Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mrs.
Noyes, the Board agreed to enter into Executive Session at
6:02pm for the following:

- CSE/CPSE recommendations
- Matters pertaining to the appointment, employment, tenure
or promotion of a particular person within the Teacher's
Association Unit;
- Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil
Service law.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

2.2 COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

17-0223-II

On a motion made by Mrs. Noyes, seconded by Mr.
Dattoria, the Board agreed to come out of Executive
Session at 6:47pm.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

**3. PROPOSED DISCUSSION IN PUBLIC FORUM
FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Board President Burns shared that the following were
discussed in Executive Session:

- CSE/CPSE recommendations
- Matters pertaining to the appointment, employment, tenure
or promotion of a particular person within the Teacher's
Association Unit;
- Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil
Service law.

4. RECESS FOR LEGAL ADVICE

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17-0223-III

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr.
Dattoria, the Board agreed to a recess at 6:48PM for the
purpose of legal advice.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

17-0223-IV

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mr.
Dattoria, the Board agreed to resume the meeting at
7:45PM.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

**5. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA
ITEMS (ITEMS THE BOARD VOTES ON)**

Jodie Harding addressed the Board at this time. She shared that she is one of the long term substitutes that has been affected by the change in the substitute pay policy. She states that she has faithfully fulfilled her obligations of her teaching position and feels that she is owed the step one teaching salary that she was to receive prior to the policy change. She understands that the District is in a tough financial position but neither long term substitute is looking for medical coverage. She asked the Board to do their ethical duty.

Jason Colsten added that the Board should forego some BOCES items and then reconsider the substitute pay policy.

Shannon Stiner feels that we should grandfather in the existing long term substitutes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board President Burns announced that the Broome-Tioga-Delaware Health Insurance Consortium has adopted a budget for 2017-18 based on a 5.85% increase in health insurance rates. Harpursville will see an increase of 13.35% based upon our large number of claims.

Mr. Burns also shared that his son, John, was recently promoted to Major in the United States Army.

Superintendent Rullo thanked everyone for a positive bus vote as well as the clerks and inspectors that worked the polls. He noted that Mark Bordeau will be presenting an update on the status of our food service program at our March 13 Board meeting. Mr. Rullo encouraged participation in the American Heart Association walk on April 9 at SUNY Broome. In addition, the 2017-18 school calendar will be coming out shortly.

Mr. Rullo is currently working on a grant with the United Way to bring the Promise Zone, a Binghamton University initiative, to our district. This initiative would provide support to our students and funding for a social worker as well as access to many B.U. resources.

Mrs. Sloan reports that she is working with the Early Childhood Direction Center to finalize training for bus drivers and monitors who transport our students with I.E.P.'s.

Mrs. Conrow reports that our French is Fun Night attracted at least 140 people. The Yorker's will be heading to Niagara Falls in a few weeks. In addition, our eight graders have been chosen to participate in an assessment on March 9 as part of the National Report Card.

Mrs. Horton reports that the Ag in the Classroom kickoff is scheduled for tomorrow. She also shared the excitement that filled her building when they participated in the Madison Hoover send-off.

Mrs. Hatton reported on their initiative on responsive classrooms and recent teacher and staff training with a behavioral specialist.

Mr. DiMaria reports that grade recovery is going well and attendance in the afterschool program is on the rise.

Mr. Quick thanked faculty, staff and students for participating in the Madison Hoover send-off. He also shared our spring sport sign-up numbers and what teams the MAC league schools are fielding this year. JV baseball is scheduled to participate in five games and there has been discussion around a possible modified A team schedule consisting of grades 7, 8, and 9.

7. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE
JANAURY 9,
JANUARY 23 &

7.1 MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 9, 2017 REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 23, 2017 SPECIAL MEETING & FEBRUARY 7, 2017 REFERENDUM

FEBRUARY 7, 2017
MINUTES

17-0223-V

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the minutes of the January 23, 2017 special meeting be amended as follows:

4.1-Policy #8001-Formulation, Adoption and Dissemination of Policy, Resolution #17-0123-III to reflect the following addition: Mrs. Quick felt that the resolution should be tabled at this time. Mr. Burns asked for but did not receive a second.

4.2-Policy #4122 Substitute Pay – Amended by the removal of the following sentences: Mrs. Quick felt that the resolution should be tabled at this time. Mr. Burns asked for but did not receive a second.

Motion made by Mrs. Quick and seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

17-0223-VI

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the minutes of the January 9, 2017 regular meeting and February 7, 2017 referendum be accepted as written.

Motion made by Mrs. Quick and seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

8. PRESENTATION

8.1 KATHY BLACKMAN, CENTRAL BUSINESS OFFICE CONTROLLER

KATHY
BLACKMAN-
FINANCIAL
STATUS OF THE
DISTRICT

Kathy Blackman presented an overview of the current financial status of the district. A review of budgeting, fund balance and financial reports was explained as well as current projections. We are currently looking at a deficit of \$844,349 and a remaining unencumbered budget of \$499,989. It is projected that the \$844,349 deficit will change between now and the end of the year as State Aid is still changing.

Long term projections based on 2016-17 projections of Fund Balance components is bleak with the following projected deficits: 17/18-\$1.3 million; 18/19-\$1.9 million; 19/20-\$2.4 million; 20/21-\$2.9 million. We anticipating having a negative fund balance in 2019-20.

Mr. Rullo has reached out to elected officials; we should not expect a one-time shot in the arm from the State as they are currently dealing with a \$3.5 billion dollar deficit. Additional borrowing will be needed near the end of this school year. Foundation aid is projected to increase by 1.44% in 2017-18. A breakdown of total expense driven aids shows a decrease of 1.16%.

9. BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

INITIAL BUDGET
PRESENTATION

9.1 INITIAL BUDGET PRESENTATION

Superintendent Rullo presented the draft 2017-18 budget. Projected revenues are estimated at \$19,867,164 with an increase in the tax levy of 2.13% or \$82,348. Overall, projected revenues are estimated to be about \$500,000 less than the current school year. Projected expenditures are estimated at \$21,080,163 with an increase budget to budget of \$717,004. Benefits are scheduled to increase by 5.36%.

We are looking to close a projected budget gap of \$1,212,999.

At this time, we are waiting on a legislative proposal for funding and completion of the BOCES budget. We are also evaluating staffing and looking at other areas of reduction. A budget workshop scheduled for March 6 is planned to brainstorm the options we have and then present a revised budget on March 13.

10. BUSINESS

10.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS 10.2-10.5

17-0223-VII

TREASURER'S
REPORT FOR
JANUARY 2017

10.2 TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2017

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Treasurer's Report for January 1-31, 2017 be accepted.

CBO-JOB
PERSONNEL
CHANGES

10.3 CHANGES IN CBO PERSONNEL-DISTRICT TREASURER/DEPUTY TREASURER

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Taylor Mihok be named District Treasurer and Stephanie Rajnes be named Deputy Treasurer.

*Taylor Mihok was previously appointed Deputy Treasurer and Stephanie Rajnes was appointed District Treasurer at the 7/13/16 Re-organizational meeting.

AMENDMENT TO
2016-17 SCHOOL
CALENDAR

10.4 AMENDMENTS TO 2016-17 SCHOOL CALENDAR

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the 2016-17 school calendar be amended to reflect the following:

- Corrected Regents schedule in June 2017
- Change May 26 to now reflect a full day of instruction for students.

BOND
RESOLUTION

10.5 BOND RESOLUTION

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 23, 2017.
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AGGREGATE \$275,000 BONDS OF THE HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BROOME AND CHENANGO COUNTIES, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE PURCHASE OF SCHOOL BUSES (\$220,000) AND ONE SUBURBAN STUDENT TRANSPORT VEHICLE (\$55,000), INCLUDING INCIDENTAL EQUIPMENT AND EXPENSES FOR SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, at the Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, held on February 7, 2017, a proposition was duly adopted authorizing the Board of Education of said School District to purchase school buses at a maximum estimated cost of \$220,000 and one suburban student transport vehicle at a maximum estimated cost of \$55,000 as described therein (the "Proposition"), for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$275,000, and providing for the levy of a tax therefor to be collected in installments, with obligations of said School District to be issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for such purchase of said school buses and one suburban student transport vehicle as described therein and the financing thereof;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength of the Board of Education of Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The purchase of school buses and one suburban student transport vehicle as described in the Proposition, in

and for Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, including incidental equipment and expenses in connection therewith, is hereby authorized at an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$275,000.

Section 2. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost shall consist of the issuance of the aggregate \$275,000 bonds of said School District hereby authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law allocated to the objects or purposes as described in the Proposition. Such bonds are to be payable from amounts which shall specially be levied on all the taxable real property in said School District, and the faith and credit of said Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, are hereby pledged for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid purchase of school buses, a class of objects or purposes, and the aforesaid suburban student transport vehicle, a specific object or purpose is five years each, pursuant to subdivision 29 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said President of the Board of Education, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the serial bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue serial bonds with substantially level or declining special debt service, shall be determined by the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of such School District. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the President of the Board of Education shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- a) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or
- b) The provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- c) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 7. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 8. This resolution, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary form in the Windsor Standard and The Tri-Town, the official newspapers of said School District for such purpose, together with a notice of the School District Clerk substantially in the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Motion made by Mr. Rhodes and seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

10.6 INFORMATIONAL-BUSINESS OFFICE REPORTS

INFORMATIONAL
REPORT-BUSINESS
OFFICE

11. EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

EXTRA-
CLASSROOM
ACTIVITY
ACCOUNT REPORT
JANUARY 2017

11.1 EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITY ACCOUNT REPORT FOR JANUARY 2017

17-0223-VIII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Extra Classroom Activity Account Reports for January 1-31, 2017 be accepted.

Motion made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Quick.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

12. Policy/Plan Review

12.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS 12.2-12.4

17-0223-IX

VOLUNTEER
POLICY #4120

12.2 VOLUNTEER POLICY #4120, AMENDMENT, SECOND READING & ADOPTION

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the second reading and adoption of the amendment to Volunteer Policy #4120 be accepted.

ATHLETIC PLAN

12.3 INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC PLAN-AMENDMENT, SECOND READING & ADOPTION

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the second reading and adoption of the amendment to the Interscholastic Athletic Plan be accepted.

12.4 REPEAL OF POLICIES #5114, 5141.3, 5141.4

REPEAL OF
POLICIES

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following polices be repealed:

- 5114 - Student Conduct & Discipline
- 5141.3 - Health Care Program
- 5141.4 - Administration of Medication

Motion made by Mrs. Quick and seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

12.5 DISCUSSION-POLICY #4122, SUBSTITUTE PAY

SUBSTITUTE PAY
POLICY

Board President Burns shared that the Substitute Pay policy is an ongoing discussion with the Board and Policy Committee. He asked that the current long term substitutes schedule a meeting with Superintendent Rullo to discuss this.

13. PERSONNEL

13.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS 13.2-13.6

17-0223-X

RESIGNATION

13.2 RESIGNATION

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the resignation from Amber Smith from her position as aide be accepted effective January 20, 2017.

STUDENT ASSISTANTS

13.3 STUDENT ASSISTANTS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following students be appointed to student assistant positions:

Samantha Northrop
Noah Dann
Sabrina Gates
Manuella DiLuzio

SUBSTITUTES

13.4 SUBSTITUTES

a. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following name be added to the substitute list:
Teacher Aide: Kristin Mogenson-fingerprinting clearance issued.

b. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following names be added to the substitute lists conditionally, pending NYS mandated fingerprinting clearance:
Teacher Substitute: Taylor Hendrickson-2013 HCS graduate and former student worker
Substitute Aide: Derick Wilson-2016 HCS graduate and former student worker

c. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the conditional appointment of Alec Peterson to the teacher substitute list be renewed pending NYS mandated fingerprinting clearance.

SPRING COACHING APPOINTMENTS

13.5 SPRING 2017 COACHING APPOINTMENTS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following spring coaching appointments be made:

Track:
Modified – Rick Rutherford
Varsity Girls – Janet Avery
Varsity Boys – Kyle Tibbits
Softball:
Modified – Demetra Kermidas
Varsity – Ed Livermore
Junior Varsity – Jason Lyon
Baseball:
Modified – Jim Kelley
Varsity – Tom Ryder
Junior Varsity – Ryan Dalpiaz

VOLUNTEER COACHES

13.6 VOLUNTEER COACHES

a. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that William Roys be appointed as a volunteer softball coach. Fingerprinting clearance issued.

b. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Jared Decker and Anthony Grausgruber be appointed as volunteer baseball coaches conditionally, pending NYS fingerprinting clearance.

Motion made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Rhodes.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

14. DISCUSSION ITEMS

14.1 DISCUSSION - EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE

EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE

17-0223-XI

Superintendent Rullo asked the Board if they would like to offer an Early Retirement Incentive to eligible faculty and staff. The offer would be identical as last year with it being open to all employees with eight years of service. Teachers would receive \$125.00 per day of unused sick time and support staff would receive \$75.00. The District would need to receive letters of intent to retire by April 1. Payments for unused sick time would be funded out of the EBALR reserve fund.

On a motion made by Mr. Dattoria and seconded by Mrs. Anderson, the Board agreed to offer an Early Retirement Incentive to eligible employees.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

15. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

15.1 SIX MONTH ASBESTOS SURVEILLANCE REPORT

15.2 JSHS NOTES

15.3 BOUGH-CONFERENCE REPORT

15.4 RYDER-CONFERENCE REPORT

15.5 JANUARY ENROLLMENT REPORTS

16. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Board members agreed to have Mrs. Michelle Noyes represent the Board on the District Shared Decision Making Team. Also, Board members inquired about getting badges so that they are identifiable when visiting buildings.

Amy Livermore-Kappauf addressed the Board and asked whether the sub policy was to be voted on.

Jason Colsten addressed the Board. His concerns are with BOCES costs.

Jennifer Merrell addressed the board. Her concerns involve the need for new buses, the cost of the suburban recently approved by voters, lead in our water, our dangerous parking lots, nursing services, student drop-off time, insects in broccoli served by our cafeteria and driver ed. not being offered.

17. MEETING CLOSE

17.1 ADJOURNMENT

17-0223-XII

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 PM.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

ASBESTOS
REPORT, JSHS
NOTES,
CONFERENCE
REPORTS,
JANUARY
ENROLLMENT

PRIVILEGE OF THE
FLOOR

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully
Submitted,

Darlene M. Noyes
District Clerk