

**THE HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD
A REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING ON MONDAY, APRIL 20,
2015 AT 7:00PM IN THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02PM by Board President Burns. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Bassler, Mr. Blakeslee, Mr. Burns, Mrs. Matts and Mrs. Snow in attendance. Mr. Weist and Superintendent Wood were absent from the meeting. Also in attendance was Assistant Superintendent Rullo and Administrators Conrow, Dopko, Lucenti and Quick. Additional attendees are noted on the guest list.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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MINUTES OF THE
MARCH 23, 2015
MEETING

**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 23, 2015 REGULAR
MEETING**

15-0420-I

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the minutes of the March 23, 2015 regular meeting be accepted.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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15-0420-II

On a motion made by Mr. Blakeslee, seconded by Mrs. Anderson, the Board agreed to enter into Executive Session at 7:04pm for the purposes of discussing CSE/CPSE recommendations, discussion of the background of a Level 3 grievance and hearing a Level 3 grievance, to receive clarification on a severance clause in the existing Superintendent's contract and possible Section 75 action against an employee.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

15-0420-III

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Snow, the Board agreed to come out of Executive Session at 8:17pm.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

PUBLIC FORUM FROM
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Board President Burns announced that the Board discussed CSE/CPSE recommendations, the background of a Level 3 grievance and heard a Level 3 grievance, received clarification on a severance clause in the existing Superintendent's contract and discussed possible Section 75 action against an employee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ANNOUNCEMENTS-BOARD AND
ADMINISTRATIVE**

Mr. Rullo shared that Georgia Baker participated in the Congressional District Art Show competition hosted by Congressman Richard Hanna. Although she was not selected as one of the Top 3, she showed exemplary work and represented herself well. Also Mr. Rullo thanked Melissa Fye and Steve Moschak, Student Council advisors, for bringing Rick Yarosh to

HCS to deliver his message on overcoming adversity to our students. Final class rankings will be out soon and the Top 10 Seniors will be announced at the end of next week, followed by the Top 10 luncheon on May 8. Mr. Rullo also reported that the first meeting of the Elementary Principal Search Committee was held last week with parents, administrators, teachers, support staff and board members participating. The next meeting is scheduled for May 6.

Mr. Quick thanked parents, teachers and students as failures at the 30 week mark in grades 3-6 have decreased. Mr. Quick also thanked Mrs. LaDue, Mrs. Lynch and Mrs. Koval for their presentation to staff on a variety of technology offerings for students in the classroom.

Mrs. Conrow reports that fifty-eight contracts have been completed through the ASAP program and these students are now passing. The school play begins May 1 and she congratulated our Technology Club who recently competed in the NYSTSA competition.

Mr. Fred Riordan of the Riordan Management Group reported that the first meeting of the Capital Project Committee was held on April 15th with eighteen people in attendance including residents, parents, bus drivers, a student and administrators. They heard input on a variety of subjects including, but not limited to, safety, security, storage of buses, energy choices, location and loading of students. Future meetings will be held on May 13 (main campus), June 17 (site plan), July 15(improvement with the campus) and August 5 (summarize-roll-out). Included in that would be the proposed purchase of 42 Main Street. He is recommending entering into an Option to Purchase at a cost of \$5,000 which would take the house off the market until the September vote. The team feels there's a significant advantage for student drop-off, and service entrance to the loading dock. If approved, the \$5,000 would be applied to the final purchase price. This is also non-refundable. Mr. Riordan also gave a brief explanation on agreements located later on the agenda pertaining to the proposed Capital Project.

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Board member Matts will be time keeper.

Mrs. Carrie Lusk addressed the Board. She thanked the Board for the opportunity to go to BOCES and felt it was a great experience and we should share their programs with the community.

Her concerns are with the Director of Special Education position including the posting, lack of search committee and lack of qualifications and experience of Mrs. Lucenti. Mrs. Lusk believes the Board has broken policies 6177, 6190, 2110, 4111 and 4112. She asked if the District was going to be sharing services with Afton as we do with athletics. She fears losing services for her son.

Mr. Michael Lusk addressed the Board. He asked why this was happening to our community and why the Board is withholding information on decision making. He feels they are an overconfident dictatorship, giving out misinformation, illegally hiring staff, circulating anonymous surveys and violating student civil rights to name a few. He feels the Board had lost the community's trust and is no longer believable.

Mr. Dave Warpus asked for clarification on severance pay that was discussed in Executive Session.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2015 UPDATE

Mrs. Kristine Conrow shared that letters will be going out to parents in a week or so on the Summer Program that is slated to begin July 6 from 8:00-2:00PM.

HEALTH & WELFARE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH UNION-ENDICOTT SCHOOL DISTRICT

15-0420-IV

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the District enter into a contract with Union-Endicott Central School for the provision of health & welfare services for the 2014-15 school year for one student in the amount of \$334.05.

Motion made by Mrs. Bassler and seconded by Mrs. Snow.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

COOPERATIVE BIDDING-CAFETERIA SUPPLIES

15-0420-V

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District participate in Cooperative bidding for the following bids with other school districts in New York State:

- Grocery– one school year (2015-2016)
- Paper Products – twice per school year – (8/2015 – 12/2015) – (1/2016– 8/2016)
- Meat/Cheese/Dairy – every two months (5 times per school year)
- June 2015 for August 2015 – October 2015
- October 2015 for November 2015 – December 2015
- December 2015 for January 2016 – February 2016
- February 2016 for March 2016– April 2016
- April 2016 for May 2016– August 2016
- Processing of U.S.D.A. Commodities (Net off Invoice) – one school year (2015-2016)
- Milk & Milk Products/Ice Cream & Other Frozen Desserts – one school year (2015-2016)
- Bread & Bread Products – one school year (2015-2016)
- Smart Snack Bid – one school year (2015-2016)
- Fee For Service – one school year (2015-2016)
- Geographical Fruit/Vegetable – one school year (2015-2016)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mark Bordeau, Director of Food Services, Broome Tioga Boces, or Designee be designated to receive and open said bids and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

ATHLETIC BID AWARDS

15-0420-VI

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following athletic bids be awarded:

1. Anaconda Sports won supplies totaling \$ 175.55
2. Laux Sporting Goods won supplies \$ 1,014.16 & equipment \$ 1,114.46

SUMMER SCHOOL UPDATE

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COOPERATIVE BIDDING

ATHLETIC BID AWARDS

3. Longstreth won supplies \$ 116.28 & equipment \$ 103.84
4. Neff Motivation, Inc. won supplies totaling \$ 720.15
5. S & S Worldwide won supplies totaling \$ 3.00
6. Scholastic Sport Sales won supplies \$ 515.16 & equipment \$ 696.35
7. Sportsman's won supplies \$ 866.12 & equipment \$ 1,586.70
8. Stadium System Inc. won supplies totaling \$ 109.45

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1-28, 2015

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FOR FEBRUARY 1-28,
2015

15-0420-VII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Treasurer's Report for February 1-28, 2015 be accepted.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

EXPANSION OF THE BUDGET

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15-0420-VIII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the budget be expanded in the amount of \$800,000.

Motion made by Mrs. Bassler and seconded by Mr. Blakeslee.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

YEAR TO YEAR EXPENSE REPORT

YR TO YR EXP. RPT.

YEAR TO YEAR REVENUE REPORT

YR TO YR REV. RPT.

REVENUES/EXPENDITURES & BUDGET STATUS REPORT AS OF APRIL 16, 2015

REV/EXPEND & BUD.
STATUS RPT.

FUND BALANCE REPORT AS OF APRIL 16, 2015

FUND BALANCE RPT.

TRIAL BALANCE REPORT AS OF APRIL 16, 2015

TRIAL BALANCE RPT.

CASH FLOW REPORT

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EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITY ACCOUNT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 2015

EXTRACLASSROOM
ACTIVITY ACCOUNT
REPORT

15-0420-IX

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Extraclassroom Activity Account Report for the period ending March 31, 2015 be accepted.

Motion made by Mrs. Snow and seconded by Mrs. Bassler.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

DONATIONS

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15-0420-X

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the donation of \$300.00 from Custom Fabrication to the Class of 2021 be accepted.

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the donation of \$40.00 from Nu Look Collision to the Class of 2021 be accepted.

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the donation of \$75.00 from Jessica Kelley to the Class of 2021 be accepted.

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the donation of \$30.00 from Hacker's Packers to the Class of 2021 be accepted.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

BOCES ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

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BUDGET

15-0420-XI

RESOLVED, that the administrative budget of the Broome-Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services in the amount of \$3,080,072 be approved.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

BOCES BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

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RESOLVED, that the Board casts votes for the Broome-Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services as follows:

There are two, three year position Board seats with the term ending June 30, 2018 that will be filled by a vote of the component districts. The following candidates have been nominated for the Office of Trustee on the Broome-Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services:

Nominee: Jason Aurelio

Nominee: John Crosby

Nominee: David Hawley

Board President Burns shared that Mr. Crosby and Mr. Hawley are incumbents and doesn't know a lot about Mr., Aurelio. Audience members asked for clarification on the process and felt that Mr. Aurelio should be given the same consideration as the other two candidates. Mrs. Snow responded that the Board defers to Mr. Burns as he is a part of the BOCES Board and that they only have letters written by the candidates to base a decision on. Mr. Rullo added that clarification could be given on agenda items prior to the meeting as well or during the two opportunities for public comment.

A motion was made by Mr. Burns to re-elect Mr. Crosby and Mr. Hawley, there was no second.

COACHING APPOINTMENTS

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15-0420-XII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following 2015-

2016 coaching appointments be made:
Varsity (Head Coach):
Boys Basketball-Sherm McElwain
Girls Basketball-Kurt Ehrensbeck
Indoor Track-George Wright

Junior Varsity:
Boys Basketball-Jason Lyon
Girls Basketball-Leslie Dauphinais

Modified:
Boys Basketball-Ed Livermore
Girls Basketball-Cheryl Hamilton

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

SECTION 75 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

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DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

15-0420-XIII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education does hereby find and determine, pursuant to Section 75 of the Civil Service Law, that there is probable cause to bring a disciplinary proceeding against a civil service employee presently employed by the School District as set forth in the Statement of Charges; and,

RESOLVED, that the School District take all appropriate steps necessary to initiate, pursue, and carry through said disciplinary proceeding against said employee, including serving the employee with the Statement of Charges; and,

RESOLVED, that the Harpursville Central School District's Board of Education does hereby place a civil service employee on unpaid leave for a period of thirty (30) days pursuant to Civil Service Law Section 75, effective April 20, 2015; and,

RESOLVED, that the Harpursville Central School District's Board of Education does hereby appoint Marcy Cox to serve as Hearing Officer and to conduct a Civil Service Law Section 75 hearing.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

SUPPORT STAFF APPOINTMENT

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15-0420-XIV

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Debbie Piester be appointed to a part time cleaner position from the support staff substitute list.

Motion made by Mrs. Bassler and seconded by Mrs. Matts.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

SUBSTITUTES

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15-0420-XV

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following names be removed from the substitute list:
Bus Driver substitutes: John Kocik, Larry Scarinzi

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

FINGERPRINTING

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15-0420-XVI

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following conditional appointments be made permanent as a result of NYS mandated fingerprinting clearance: Support Staff: Debbie Piester, Amanda Murphy, Michael Fargo, Eric Villano

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

CHANGE ORDER

CAPITAL PROJECT CHANGE ORDER

15-0420-XVII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following change order be approved:

GC-022 – Provide all labor, material, and equipment to exchange (100) scheduled cylindrical locks for Schlage mortise locks to match the original wood door preparation. Install locks with all necessary machining of the existing door slabs. All new locks shall incorporate the security lock-down feature as requested by the District.

Total cost of \$21,111.00 will be subtracted from the Contract Allowance. Hence, the Contract sum of \$3,190,600.00 will remain unchanged.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

CHANGE ORDERS-INFORMATIONAL

PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT AGREEMENT

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15-0420-XVIII

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the District enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Ashley McGraw Architects, D.P.C. for a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of property at 42 Main Street, Harpursville at a cost of \$2,750 plus reimbursable expenses.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

PRE-REFERENDUM SERVICES AGREEMENT

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15-0420-XIX

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the District enter into an Agreement with Ashley McGraw Architects, D.P.C. to provide pre-referendum services for the upcoming Capital Project vote in a lump sum fee of \$16,000 plus reimbursable expenses.

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

OPTION TO PURCHASE-
42 MAIN STREET

OPTION TO PURCHASE 42 MAIN STREET

15-0420-XX

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Harpursville Central School enter into an Option to Purchase Agreement for property located at 42 Main Street, Harpursville, NY with Floyd & Vlasta LaClair(owners) in the amount of \$5,000.

Motion carried by Mrs. Bassler and seconded by Mrs. Snow.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

SURPLUS

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15-0420-XXI

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following be declared as surplus and be disposed of in a manner consistent with Board of Education policy:
2 - Proteam Vacuum Cleaners, Model 1500XP
1 - Advance CarpetWin Cleaner #14

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

Motion carried 6-0-0.

HEALTH INSURANCE
CONSORTIUM MEETING

HEALTH INSURANCE CONSORTIUM MEETING

Mr. Burns to attend on Friday, May 8, 2015 @ 6:30PM.

VETERAN'S EXEMPTION

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Mr. Rullo reports that Superintendent Wood is working with the Assessor's Office and continues to investigate this exemption. Additional information will be shared at a future meeting.

USPS
CORRESPONDENCE

CORRESPONDENCE WITH UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

Mr. Rullo reports that Superintendent Wood contacted the Harpursville Postmaster and they have asked for more specific information such as names and address of residents who have not received school mailings. Additional information will be shared at a future meeting.

NOTICES OF
CLAIM/CEASE & DISIST
LETTER

NOTICES OF CLAIM, CEASE & DESIST LETTER

Mr. Rullo read aloud that the following were received by the District:

Notice of Claim-Joshua Quick, Plaintiff and Harpursville Central School District, the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District, Robert Blakeslee, Personally and in his Capacity as a Board member

Notice of Claim-Harpursville Instructional Administrators Association, Plaintiff, and Harpursville Central School District, the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District, Kathleen M. Wood, Personally and in her Capacity as Superintendent of Schools

Cease & Desist Letter-Unlawful Action of the Harpursville Central School Board of Education from Advocates for Justice retained by Carrie Lusk and the School Transparency Organization for Parents

JRSR HS NOTES

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ENROLLMENT REPORTS

ENROLLMENT REPORTS FOR MARCH 2015

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER-MARCH

CONFERENCE REPORT

CONFERENCE REPORT-PETRICK, KER MIDAS

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Board member Matts will be time keeper.

Mrs. Carrie Lusk asked for opt out numbers. Mr. Rullo replied that there were 106 opt-outs in grades three-eight. Mr. Warpus asked how much the Notices of Claim were going to cost the district. Mr. Burns replied that we have the school attorney on a retainer but we would have to pay an hourly rate once we exceed that retainer. Mr. Steve Knapp suggested that every vote be cast separately, same as Town Board meetings.

Sarah Wilkinson addressed the Board. She is concerned about the credentials of Amy Lucenti.

Dave Warpus shared that he was surprised at the lack of community members at the Capital Project Committee meeting. He feels that the people who stand at the podium on their soap box need to do something. He added that the Board is doing the best they can.

Shannon Stiner asked if the Board was going to share that additional propositions were submitted regarding the length of terms for BOE members. Mr. Burns said that there hadn't been a chance to look at them since they were submitted a short time ago.

Stephanie Quick addressed the Board. She is concerned about our legal commitment to our students as teachers don't want classified students in their classrooms and parents don't want their own children in classes with classified students. She shared a recent event in which a parent approached her and placed blame on her child for disrupting an event.

ADJOURNMENT

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15-0420-XXII

Respectfully Submitted,

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Bassler, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:40PM.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Darlene M. Noyes
District Clerk