

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

Regular Board of Education Meeting

Jr. Sr. High School Library

Executive Session will be near the end of the meeting

1. Meeting Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Board President Rhodes at 6 PM. Roll call was taken with the following present: Mr. Dattoria, Mrs. Noyes, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Rhodes and Mrs. Weist. Absent: Mrs. Livermore-Kappauf. Mrs. Quick presented at 6:02 PM. Additional attendees are noted on the guest list.

1.1 Meeting Called to Order, Roll Call

1.2 Salute to the Flag

2. Presentations

2.1 Fiscal Update Presentation - Kathy Blackman

Favorable short term outlook, even despite a proposed capital project. The outlook a few years into the future is much less favorable because it's difficult to determine state aid too far out. Ms. Blackman assures us this is the case for all districts and completely normal from an accounting standpoint. No debt service will be needed after March 2019. Our fiscal designation score will be upgraded to 'no designation'. Deficits have moved to surplus. Surplus will be placed toward capital improvements, thus will lessen the burden on the taxpayer. This is a significant improvement for our school district and we are proud of the work that's been done. This will likely be in the press in mid to late January. Mrs. Blackman's presentation has been added to the school webpage for public review.

3. Announcements

3.1 Student Council Announcements

There were no student council announcements.

3.2 Announcements - Board and Administrative

Mr. Rullo reported that Senator Akshar will be making a surprise visit on Tuesday, December 18 to present a special award and visit with government classes. He invites board members to attend if they are able to and wishes meeting attendees a happy holiday season.

Mrs. Quick announced that Santa's Workshop was great fun and recognized Mrs. McWherter for donating \$1.00 for every student to shop. She was pleased to see inventory did not run out and described the system used to organize the event.

Mr. Rullo mentioned Diane Fargo described PTSA's new Santa's Workshop system at the parent committee capital project meeting earlier in the week.

A collective show of gratitude to PTSA for continuing the Santa's Workshop program after recent leadership change. Former student and 12 News reporter Esperanza Gutierrez featured Santa's Workshop on the daily news. The link is provided on the school website. Esperanza hopes to return to HCS to feature 6th grade Museum Night.

Mr. McLaughlin wished the group a happy holiday season.

Mentioned by Mr. Rullo - Mrs. Horton and Mr. DiMaria were just arriving back to campus this evening from two day pyramid model training in Albany.

The Board was pleased to see two 12th grade students in the audience.

4. Period of Public Comment on Agenda Items (Items the Board Votes On)

There was no public comment.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

18-1212-I

5.1 Minutes of the November 14, 2018 Regular Board Meeting

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the minutes of the November 14, 2018 regular board meeting and CSE minutes be accepted.

Motion made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Noyes. Motion carried 6-0-0.

6. Capital Project

18-1212-II

6.1 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for the proposed Main Campus Improvements

RESOLUTION REGARDING STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW OF THE 2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (TYPE II ACTION)

WHEREAS, the Harpursville Central School District (the "District") Board of Education (the "Board") has considered the impacts to the environment of the Scope of Work to be completed at the Junior Senior High School campus and W.A. Olmsted Elementary School campus (the "2019 Capital Improvement Project"), a copy of which is attached hereto; and WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it shall act as Lead Agency for purposes of environmental review of the 2019 Capital Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the 2019 Capital Improvement Project with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c) and concluded, based on its review of the Scope of Work and recommendation of its consultants, that the Scope of Work involves the maintenance and repair of existing facilities involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility, and/or the replacement, rehabilitation and reconstruction of structures or facilities in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, without exceeding any of the thresholds in section 617.4;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Harpursville Central School District as follows:

1. The District is declared the Lead Agency for purposes of environmental review of the 2019 Capital Improvement Project;
2. The 2019 Capital Improvement Project does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA);
3. The Board hereby determines the 2019 Capital Improvement Project is a Type II action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.
4. No further review of the 2019 Capital Improvement Project is required under SEQRA.
5. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Noyes. Motion carried 6-0-0.

6.2 Notice of Special School District Meeting

A handout was distributed by Mr. Rullo to show the board members the \$504k surplus being applied to the capital project to lower the tax levy for district residents.

18-1212-III

RESOLUTION DATED DECEMBER 12, 2018.

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSITIONS TO BE PRESENTED AT A SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING IN AND FOR THE HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BROOME AND CHENANGO COUNTIES, NEW YORK, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, as follows:

Section 1. A Special School District Meeting in and for the Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, shall be held on February 12, 2019 at 1:30 o'clock P.M. and the polls shall be kept open for voting between the hours of 1:30 o'clock p.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m. Prevailing Time on said date, at the W.A. Olmstead

Elementary School, in Harpursville, New York, at which time two propositions shall be presented, one regarding reconstruction and construction of improvements of School District buildings and one for student transportation vehicles. The propositions hereinafter set forth in the Notice of said Meeting are described in Exhibit A attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference.

Section 2. Voting at said meeting shall be conducted by the use of paper ballots.

Section 3. The Clerk of said School District is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice of said meeting in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A to be published in two newspapers having a general circulation in said School District, such publications to be made so that such Notice shall appear in said newspapers each four times within the four weeks preceding such Special School District Meeting, and to give such other notice as may be deemed desirable.

Section 4. The School District Clerk is hereby authorized to amend the Notice of said Special School District Meeting from time to time as, in his or her discretion, such amendment may be required or desirable.

Section 5. To the extent required by law, the Board of Education shall appoint election personnel to conduct said Special School District Meeting pursuant to a separate resolution of this Board of Education.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND AVAILABILITY OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Harpursville Central School District

Broome and Chenango Counties, New York

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Special School District Meeting of the Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, will be held on February 12, 2019 (the "Election Date") at 1:30 o'clock P.M., at the W.A. Olmstead Elementary School, 54 Main Street in Harpursville, New York, at which the polls will be kept open between the hours of 1:30 o'clock P.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time, for the purpose of voting by paper ballot upon the following bond propositions:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 – IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILDINGS

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Harpursville Central School District, be authorized to construct improvements to and reconstruct School District buildings in and for said School District, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and site and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$10,651,665; and that \$504,550 of Capital Reserve Fund monies (plus accrued interest prior to termination of said Fund) and \$500,000 available monies of the School District shall be expended therefor; and that the remaining \$9,647,115 or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 – STUDENT TRANSPORT VEHICLES

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, shall the Board of Education of the Harpursville Central School District, Broome and Chenango Counties, New York, be authorized to purchase school buses and vans for student transportation, at a maximum estimated cost of not exceeding \$417,000 and that said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said District shall be issued.

SEQRA DETERMINATION. The School District has acted as lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act regulations of the State of New York. The buildings capital project herein authorized has been determined to be an "Unlisted Action" pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), the implementation of which as proposed, it has been determined will not result in any significant adverse environmental impact. The acquisition of school buses and vans is a Type II Action. SEQRA compliance materials are on file in the Office of the School District Clerk and are available for public inspection during regular business hours.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS. NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the office of the School District Clerk. Any such application must be received by the School District Clerk at least seven days

before the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before such Special District Meeting, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee voter's ballots shall have been issued shall be available for public inspection in the office of the School District Clerk not less than five days prior to the date of the Special District Meeting (excluding Saturdays and Sundays) during regular office hours until the date of the aforesaid Special District Meeting. In addition, such list shall also be posted conspicuously at the places of voting during the hours of such Special District Meeting. Absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 P.M. on date of election in the office of the School District Clerk.

Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file written challenge to the qualifications of a voter of any person whose name appears on the list, stating the reason for challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the School District Clerk or designee to the inspectors of election on the date of the election.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that in the event of a weather or other emergency which necessitates cancellation of the February 12, 2019 Special District Meeting, said Special District Meeting shall be held on February 19, 2019 at the aforementioned time and place.

QUALIFIED VOTER: All U.S. citizens who have lived in the School District at least 30 days prior to the date of the Special District Meeting are eligible to vote if they are at least 18 years old, and not otherwise prohibited from voting under the provisions of Section 5-106 of the Election Law.

Dated: Harpursville, New York,
_____, 2019.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BROOME AND CHENANGO COUNTIES, NEW YORK.

Tabaitha Rhodes
School District Clerk

Motion made by Mrs. Quick, seconded by Mrs. Anderson. Motion carried 6-0-0.

7. Business

7.1 Approval of Agenda Item 7.2 - 7.6

Mrs. Quick asked that 7.2 Treasurer's Report be held from the consent agenda.

7.1 Approval of Agenda Item 7.3 - 7.6

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7.3 Contract Renewal BC Healthy Schools & Communities

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Broome County Department of Health Creating Healthy Schools and Communities Program contract be renewed for the period October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019, not to exceed the sum of \$7,000.00.

7.4 Contract Dept of Health Community Cancer Prevention in Action Program

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the District enter into a contract with Broome County Department of Health's Community Cancer Prevention in Action Program for the term 10/1/2018 - 9/30/2019, not to exceed \$1500.00

7.5 Speech Contract

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the District enter into an agreement with PresenceLearning Technology for the purposes of speech and language services from September 10, 2018 - June 30, 2019 for a minimum of 37 hours per month at \$81.00 for a total of \$3036. 28 per month. December 2018 rate is for 24 hours and equal to \$2024.19.

7.6 Surplus Equipment

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following items be approved for surplus:

1. Promaxima 6 station universal machine

Item number: 002608

2. Dodge Caravan

Mileage: 122,684

Year: 2006
Make: Dodge
Model: Caravan
Vin: 1D4GP25R06B590391

Motion made by Mr. Weist, seconded by Mrs. Anderson. Motion carried 6-0-0.

7.2 November Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Quick asked for clarification on line item involving negative cafeteria account balances in which Mr. Rullo replied with which line on the report included it. Brief discussion took place on how negative balances were paid last school year in which the response was Mirabito paid them.

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RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Treasurer's Report for November 1-30, 2018 be accepted.

Motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Weist. Motion carried 6-0-0.

7.7 Informational Business Office Reports

Information

8. Extra Curricular Reports

18-1212-VI

8.1 November Extra Curricular Reports

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the November 2018 Extra Curricular Reports be accepted.

Motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Noyes. Motion carried 6-0-0.

9. Personnel

9.1 Approval of Agenda Items 9.2 - 9.6

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9.2 Resignations

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the resignation letter from Janine Tarreto be accepted, effective March 1, 2019.

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the resignation letter from Mark Clark be accepted, effective November 14, 2018.

9.3 Substitutes

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Matthew Johnson be appointed as substitute cleaner pending NYS mandated fingerprint clearance.

9.4 Spring Coaches

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Kurt Ehrensbeck be appointed to modified softball coach for the Spring 2019 season.

9.5 Volunteers

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Cheryl Salisbury be appointed as a volunteer. NYS fingerprint clearance has been issued.

9.6 NYS Mandated Fingerprint Clearance

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the conditional clearance of Brittney McKrell to the substitute support staff list be made permanent as a result of NYS mandated fingerprinting clearance.

Motion made by Mrs. Noyes, seconded by Mrs. Anderson. Motion carried 6-0-0.

10. Board Meetings/Workshops/Training Events

11. Additional Reports

11.1 Enrollment by Month

Information

11.2 Jr. Sr. High News

Information

11.3 Director of Instruction News

Information

12. Discussion Items

12.1 Erate 2

Using Erate 2 funds was presented to us by our tech coordinator, Ed Monico. If we spend \$125k on technology, we are said to get back \$100k of that. The timelines are unclear. This is a new program with brokers involved. Ed has a number of upgrades that need to be made to keep our technology, wiring, switches and servers current. Discussion involved an agreement to move ahead with the initial processes that will include Ed learning more about the program, reporting back to the Board and the Board agreeing to consider participation.

12.2 Property/Land

Local resident interested in donating land to the school district. The landowner and our school attorneys are in the same law firm and it's been discovered that there are quite a few deed restrictions. First part of discussion was: are we interested? Yes. Discussion took place regarding heirs, deed restrictions, proximity, size and location. So, yes, please proceed to find out if 2. any deed restrictions can be removed prior to moving forward with a definitive yes or no decision. Note: extreme gratitude shared regarding this possibility.

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Motion made by Mr. Dattoria and seconded by Mrs. Anderson. Motion carried 6-0-0.

12.3 Retreat

The Board retreat last weekend resulted in Mrs. Noyes, Mr. Rullo, Mrs. Horton and Ms. Livermore-Kappauf forming a goals committee. Great conversation, gracious host (Tonya Warpus). Mrs. Quick addressed concerns about low retreat survey completion and the board participating in sexual harassment training. Mr. Rullo has Angelo Catalano from Coughlin planned for it.

12.4 Vote Inspectors Pay

18-1212-IX

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Noyes, the Board agreed to pay both day and evening shift vote clerks \$11 per hour. Motion carried 6-0-0.

13. Executive Session

18-1212-X

13.1 Enter into Executive Session

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Weist, the Board agreed to enter into Executive Session at 7:32 PM for the following:

- CSE/CPSE recommendations;
- Matters pertaining to the appointment, tenure, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person from the Director's Association.
- Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service law.
- Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

13.2 Come out of Executive Session

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On a motion made by Mr. Weist, seconded by Mrs. Noyes, the Board agreed to come out of Executive Session at 8:11 PM. Motion carried 6-0-0.

18-1212-XII

On a motion made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Noyes, the Board agreed to accept the Administrators contract from July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021.

Motion carried 5-0-1 with Mrs. Quick abstaining.

14. Proposed Discussion in Public Forum from Executive Session

There was no public comment.

15. Privilege of the Floor

There was no public comment.

16. Meeting Close

16.1 Adjournment

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Motion made by Mr. Weist, seconded by Mrs. Noyes, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Tabaitha L. Rhodes
School District Clerk