

HEBRON BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

SPECIAL MEETING

Gilead Hill School – **Music Room**

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call Chairperson Erica Bromley called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
- Board Members Present: Erica Bromley, Christopher Aker, Geoffrey Davis, Maryanne Leichter, Kathy Williams
- Board Member Absent: Kevin Williams, Heather Petit
- Liaison Present: Diane Del Rosso
- Liaison Absent: Gail Richmond
- Administrators & Staff Members Present: Timothy Van Tassel, Don Briere, Katie Uriano, Michael Larkin, Stephanie Levin, Patricia Schiavi
- II. Pledge of Allegiance, Introductions
- III. Public Comment
No comments at this time.
- IV. Board Member Comments
No comments at this time.
- V. Acknowledging Student Achievement
- A. Schools in the Spotlight
- Art Project
Sue Giammarco, Art Teacher at GHS, shared the work that is being done in cooperation with the STEAM and Library Media. She tied the project to a visit by author Jarrett Krosoczka who wrote the Lunch lady Series. The students were directed to create an invention to assist the lunch lady in her task to solve a mystery.
Rose Modzelewski, Art Teacher at HES, shared a mural that was started this year at HES. She also showed a video of student work and the different aspects of art.
 - 2017-2018 State Assessment Report
The Smarter Balanced Assessments were reviewed sharing our district results compared with the state results. Mr. Van Tassel also shared results through a cohort analysis looking at students as they move from grade level to grade level. Mr. Van Tassel noted that Hebron's performance continues to surpass the state averages.
- B. Superintendent's Report
- Principal Updates
Principal Updates were handed out at the meeting.
 - Staff Introductions
Staff members, Erin Bride, Special Education, Rose Modzelewski, Art, Sarah Haynes, Interventionist, Becky Curns, Special Education, Michelle Terry, Grade 1 and Kelly Delton, GHS School Nurse introduced themselves. Dr. Briere then

shared an introduction video that was prepared by the new teachers and shared with the whole staff at Convocation.

- Advancement Plans
Administrators developed Advancement Plans for each school and the district. The plans will be posted on the website.
- CIP Walkthrough
The CIP Walkthrough will be held Tuesday, October 16th at 8:00 a.m. The board is welcome to attend.
- ALICE Training
Mr. Van Tassel attended the two day ALICE: Active Shooter Response Training in Hamden on October 4th & 5th.
- Joint Boards Meeting
The Joint Boards Meeting will be held Thursday, October 11th at the Douglas Library beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- Upcoming Events
 - Joint Boards Meeting – October 11, 2018
 - Chorus at Hartford Wolfpack Season Opener – October 12, 2018
 - Hebron Education Foundation Auction – October 19, 2018
 - Teachers College Reunion – October 20, 2018
- Non-certified Negotiations
Negotiations will commence in November. First meeting will establish ground rules and dates.

VI. Chair's Report

October 19th is the Hebron Education Foundation Autumn Auction.

VII. Board Liaison Report

Diane Del Rosso reported that all is quiet at the state level due to the elections coming up in November.

VIII. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting –September 13, 2018 (Encl. 8a.1)

Motion by Maryanne Leichter to approve the minutes of September 13, 2018. Seconded by Kathy Williams. Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

IX. Informational – No Action Required

A. Reports

1. 2018-2019 Year to Date Financial Report (Encl. 9a.1)

Stephanie Levin, Financial Assistant prepared a Year to Date Financial Report dated 10/1/2018 showing a \$602,502 surplus. Since the last report in September money was encumbered money for unemployment which shows a deficit. Magnet school tuition is now also encumbered with an additional two students who will be added next month. Telephones will have to be adjusted also as we have switched to a new phone system. This will be updated for next month.

2. Enrollment Report Opening of School (Encl. 9a.2)

The Monthly Enrollment Report was presented showing the total number of students at 666 with 356 students at Hebron Elementary School and 310 students at Gilead Hill School. The enrollment for magnet schools rose to 17 paid for by the Board of Education as of October 1st.

3. Cafeteria Services Report (Encl. 9a.3)

Trish Schiavi, Clerk of Payables shared an updated Cafeteria Services Report showing a loss of \$206.52 for the month of September. As of October 1st there is a surplus of \$13,775.44 in the total Cafeteria Account.

4. Student Activity Report (Encl. 9a.4)
The Student Activity Report was shared and showed a balance of \$4,957.78 for Gilead Hill School and a balance of \$21,740.53 for Hebron Elementary School.

X. Committee Updates

1. Resource Management Committee
The Resource Management Committee met on October 3rd and discussed Cafeteria Fund, Year to Date Financial, CIP Presentation and Budget Planning.
2. Policy Committee
The Policy Committee will meet in November.
3. Communication Committee
The Communication Committee will meet closer to budget season.
4. Education Foundation Liaison
The Hebron Education Foundation is preparing for its' Annual Autumn Auction on October 19th.
5. School Readiness Liaison
Dr. Briere stated the School Readiness council will meet again next Tuesday and the Preschool Study Committee has had its first meeting. Mr. Van Tassel shared a report that was prepared by Stephanie Levin and Trish Schiavi on Preschool Revenues which was explained in detail.

XI. Discussion on HES Lead Water Results

Mr. Van Tassel explained the Lead Tap Water Results from Hebron Elementary School that were received on September 26th saying one sample from Room 15 exceeded the action level of .015 with a result of .210. Another test was taken after it was discovered that a faucet aerator was the culprit, and not the water. That new sampling was sent to the State also. At this time the State Department of Public Health has not changed the current administrative agreement. Mr. Van Tassel spoke about applying for a state grant for Lead Abatement. A contractor from CROC is coming to do a walkthrough to gather more information that will be added to the CIP requests.

XII. Capital Improvement Projects and Board Member Representative Request (Encl. 12)

Mr. Van Tassel shared the tentative plan for CIP requests. He also noted that estimates are being sought for some requests. This will be brought back to the board for approval at the November meeting. Mr. Van Tassel also spoke about raising funds for a playscape at Gilead Hill School. The ambition is to raise funds for the whole project with the possibility of putting some dollars on the CIP request. Michelle Nicholson would like to come to the board to speak about the playscape project at the November meeting.

Motion by Maryanne Leichter to approve Kathy Williams as the Board of Education Representative to the CIP Committee. Seconded by Geoffrey Davis. Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

XIII. NESDEC Enrollment Projection Report (Encl. 13)

The NESDEC 2018-2019 Enrollment Projections were shared with the board. The projections show a slight decrease of 7 students for the 2019-2020 school year.

XIV. Discussion & Possible Action on Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs (Encl. 14)

Motion by Kathy Williams for Timothy Van Tassel and/or Patricia Schiavi to be authorized to sign claims for state reimbursement as stated on the ED-099 Agreement for Child Nutrition Programs. Seconded by Geoffrey Davis. Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

XV. Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

XVI. New Business: The Board scheduled a Special BOE Executive Session meeting relative to Safety for Wednesday, October 24th at 6:30 p.m.

XVII. Board Member Comments

No comments at this time.

XVIII. Adjournment

Motion by Christopher Aker to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Seconded by Kathy Williams. Vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Conderino
Board Clerk