



Members Present: Sylvester Cleary, David Caccamise, Amy Drozdziel, Patricia Dugan, Bruce Ellis, L. Rodney Rogers, Carol Woodward

Administration: Dr. Whitney Vantine, Daniel Grande, Patrick Moses, Carolyn Robertson

District Clerk: June Prince

Other: Steve Arnold; Angela & Daniel Bittinger; Owen Byrne II; Marshall Hallowell; Rev. Jim Hankey; Kris & Rhianna Nasal; Jen, Jesse, Mikayla & Autumn Seeley; Katja Schoendorfer; Melinda, Randy VanArsdale; Emily Vercant; Amy, Dale & Hannah Verrett; Fr. Patrick White; Michael Wojtkowiak; Crystal & Kaitlyn Woodard; Susan Chiappone – Buffalo News; Jasmine Willis – Observer

1. Call to Order – Regular Meeting

Sylvester Cleary opened the meeting at 6:02 pm.

2. Pledge to the Flag.

3. Presentations

Students of the Quarter Awards by Local Clergy - Father Patrick White, Rev. James Hankey, Rev. Bruce Ellis, (Father Daniel Fiebelkorn-absent)

Students of the Quarter Recognized

- Grade 7 – Kaitlyn Woodard
- Grade 8 – Rhianna Nasal
- Grade 9 – Marshall Hallowell
- Grade 10 – Hannah Verrett
- Grade 11 – Mikayla Seeley
- Grade 12 - Katja Schoendorfer

Emily Vercant, our new cleaner, was introduced by Steve Arnold and presented a hornet pin by Sylvester Cleary.

4. Approval of Agenda

Carol Woodward made the motion, seconded by Bruce Ellis to approve the agenda.

Agenda Approved

All voted yes.

5. Public Comment (Please limit comments to five minutes per person)

Mike Wojtkowiak
Owen Byrne II



6. Supervisory Reports

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Mr. Grande reported on the recent parent teacher conferences and the grant that was received from the Northern Chautauqua County Community Foundation for the half marathon club. He also reminded the board that the Bald for Bucks assembly would take place tomorrow.

Mr. Moses announced that eight (8) new members have been inducted into the National Honor Society. He also reported on the emphasis that is being made on mastery level in testing and advanced designation on Regents diplomas. The 1st quarter had 68% of our students achieving High Honor, Honor, and Merit Rolls. Report cards are now being offered digitally to the parents. Mr. Moses also described the Teaching is the Core Grant that we were awarded through New York State.

7. Board Reports

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A. President

Sylvester Cleary, Carol Woodward, Bruce Ellis, Rodney Rogers, and Daniel Grande reported on Senator Catharine Young's visit that took place earlier in the day. All felt it was a positive experience and look forward to her advocacy.

CCSBA meeting will be December 18 at the Shorewood Country Club with Dr. Timbs.

B. Committees

Amy Drozdziel reported that the policy committee had met earlier in the day and looked at 26 potential policies that could be updated

C. Superintendent

Dr. Vantine reflected on Senator Young's visit and the student participants.

8. Discussion Items

None

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business Consent Agenda

Rodney Rogers made the motion, seconded by David Caccamise, upon recommendation of the Superintendent to approve items 10A-D.



A. Meeting Minutes

November Regular and Special Meeting Minutes Approved

- 1) Approve the Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of November 6, 2014
- 2) Approve the Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2014
- 3) Approve the Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2014
- 4) Approve the Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2014

B. Financial Items

Treasurer's Report, Warrant & Claims Auditor Report, Extra Curricular Report Approved

- 1) Treasurer's Report – October 2014 for all funds
- 2) Warrant Summary Report and Claims Auditor Report – November, 2014
- 3) Extra-Curricular Report – October 2014

4) Purchases

Purchases Approved

NYSSBA	2015 dues	\$4,240.00
Chautauqua County	Processing Tax Roll	\$3,282.21

- 5) Accept the Tax Collector's report with the amount of \$245,889.63 plus \$4,917.81 in interest to be returned to the Treasurers of Chautauqua County and Cattaraugus County for payment.

Tax Collector Report Accepted

- 6) The Board of Education keep the limit of \$20,000 for the 2015 year for Senior Citizen Exemptions and Exemptions for the Disabled.

Senior Citizen & Disabled Exemptions Approved

- 7) Approve the transfer of funds from the Retirement Contribution Reserve to the General Fund in the amount of \$123,292 effective December 4, 2014

Reserves Transfers Approved

- 8) Approve the transfer of funds from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve to the General Fund in the amount of \$30,595 effective December 4, 2014.

C. Personnel

- 1) Approve the amendment to the employment agreement with the Interim Superintendent of Schools through January 31, 2015.

Interim Superintendent Agreement Extended through Jan.31, 2015

- 2) Appoint Lisa Emke who is professionally certified in Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 Mathematics to the non-probationary position of long term substitute teacher effective December 8, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Mrs. Emke will be hired on Step A at an annual salary of \$37,750 which will be pro-rated.

L. Emke appointed Long Term Sub 12/8/2014 – 6/30/2015

- 3) Remove Cherilyn Eckley and Elyssa Adams from the substitute list.

Substitute Names Deleted



D. Other

- 1) Approve IEP Recommendations #8816
- 2) Adopt the 2015-16 Budget Calendar as submitted.
- 3) Approve a combined trip with Pine Valley for the Class of 2015 to Virginia Beach and Washington DC for May 7 – May 10 with Melissa Press, Michael Murphy, Adrienne Kelly, and Tom Kelly as the chaperones.

IEP Recommendations Approved

2015-16 Budget Calendar Adopted

Class of 2015 Combined Trip 5 With Pine Valley 5/7- 5/10/2015 and Chaperones Approved
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All voted yes.

11. Proposed Executive Session

A motion was made by Bruce Ellis, seconded by Patricia Dugan to enter into executive session to discuss matters leading to the appointment of a potential employee at 6:47 pm. Carolyn Robertson was invited into the session.

All voted yes.

A motion was made by Carol Woodward, seconded by Rodney Rogers to return to regular session at 8:19 pm.

All voted yes.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Rodney Rogers, seconded by David Caccamise to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.

All voted yes.

13. Correspondence/Information

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June Prince
District Clerk