Forestville Central School Board of Education



Board Retreat Minutes August 6, 2016 8:30 am

Members Present: Carol Woodward, David Caccamise, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Bruce Ellis, Michael LoManto, Stacey Mierzwa

Administration: Renee Garrett

Other: Shari Keller - NYSSBA

1. Call To Order

Carol Woodward opened the meeting at 8:30 am at the Forestville High School Library.

2. Pledge to the Flag

3. Clerk of the Meeting Appointed

Appoint Renee Garrett as Clerk of the Meeting

4. Consent Agenda Items

Due to the formatting error on the consent agenda on August 4th, 2016 a motion was made by David Caccamise, seconded by Michael LoManto, upon recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Section E – Other.

E. Other

1) Approve the following IEP #6509.

Recommendations Approved

2) Appoint Brenda Schneider as tax collector for the 2016-17 school year.

Tax Collector 2016-17 Approved.

3) Appoint Allyson Severyn, substitute School Psychologist, to the Psychologists for CSE and CPSE established at Organizational Meeting.

School Psychologist name added to CSE and CPSE list

4) Approve the following administrators to be certified as Lead Evaluators of teachers:

Lead Evaluators of Teachers Approved

Renee Garrett Daniel Grande Lindsay Marcinelli

5) Approve the following tuition exemptions for the 2016-17 school year for:

Tuition Exemptions 2016-17 for Kwilos, Dunn, Patton, Becker Approved

Jesse, Hannah, and Avalyn Kwilos, children of Allison Kwilos Mary and Matthew Dunn, children of Jennifer Dunn Antonio, Giulianna, and Mia Patton, children of Anna Patton Owen, Carson and Morgan Becker, children of Laurie Becker

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6) Approve the 2016-17 transportation request to NCCS for Michelle Fuglewicz.

2016-17 Transportation Request Approved

7) Approve the amended school calendar for 2016-17.

2016-17 Amended School Calendar Approved

8) Approve the following handbooks for the 2016-17 year.

Athletic, HS Student, Elem Student, Elem Parent Handbooks Approved

Athletic MS/HS Elementary Parent Elementary Student

9) Approve the Superintendent entering into an agreement with Comfort Pest Control for the 2016-17 school year in the amount of \$910.00

Comfort Pest Control Agreement 2016-17 Approved

10) Approve the Superintendent entering into an agreement with ALPS Elevator Inspection Services Inc for 2016-17 school year in the amount of \$352.00.

ALPS Elevator Inspection Services Agreement 2016-17 Approved

All voted yes.

5. Close Public Portion and Open Retreat training

A motion was made by Sylvester Cleary, seconded by Stacey Mierzwa to close the public portion of the meeting and start the retreat training portion.

All voted yes.

6. Presentations

Shari Keller from NYSSBA trained the board regarding board roles & responsibilities, board protocols, Board goals and District goals

7. Discussion

The Board discussed goals for the upcoming year and decided on the following Board or Education Goals:

- 1. Annually review board protocols that maintain a high functioning board culture.
- 2. By June 2017, the Board of Education will explore the effectiveness of the food service program to improve overall program quality.
 - Increase participation

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- Provide inviting offerings
- Improve service
- Create a positive atmosphere
- Decrease debt
- Improve facilities (student seating space)
- Increase the identification of free and reduced participants
- Inform menu choices on school website
- Work in collaboration with the BOCES Culinary Arts program
- Explore farm to school resources
- 3. Continue to create and maintain systems of open and transparent communication.
 - Identify areas of need
 - Regular updates
 - No surprises
 - Memorialize the process for electing new officers and committee selection
 - Provide necessary tools to all Board of Education members (mentor, required PD, etc.)
 - Open discussion at BOE meetings
 - Be proactive about issues using direct communication
 - Invite students involvement at Board of Education meetings/reporting out at board meetings
 - Promote recognition of Board of Education member accomplishments

The Board also discussed and decided on the following District Goals for 2016-17:

Continue to improve our facilities that provide a clean, safe, and inviting environment that instill school pride.

Continue providing consistent communications that promote positive relationships.

Continue to cultivate a culture that inspires and supports excellence in teaching and learning.

8. Adjournment

Amy Drozdziel made the motion, seconded by Sylvester Cleary to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 pm.

All voted yes.

Renee Garrett Clerk of the Meeting