MINUTES

President Salisbury called the meeting of the Unatego Central School District Board of Call to Order Education to order at 7:00 p.m. in room 93 at the Middle/Senior High School. Clapper, Downey, McDermott, McMichael, O'Hara, Salisbury and Treffeisen answered Roll Call roll call. Absent: None. Administrative members present: Supt. Dr. David S. Richards, Business Manager Loker and Clerk French. Visitors/Staff: 20 Flag Salute President Salisbury led the Flag Salute. Motion by O'Hara, seconded by McMichael, to approve the Regular Board Meeting 4-9-18 Reg Brd Minutes of April 9, 2018 as presented. Yes-7 No-0. Carried. Mtg Min Motion by Downey, seconded by McMichael, to approve the Special Board Meeting 4-17-18 Special Minutes of April 17, 2018 as presented. Yes-7 No-0. Carried. Brd Mtg Min Motion by Downey, seconded by McMichael, to adopt the Agenda as presented. Yes-7 Adopt Agenda No-0. Carried. Public Comment K. Clapper - read a prepared statement to the Board regarding the fields at Otego for sports. Mrs. Clapper feels keeping the fields at Otego will continue to keep the children and families involved in the community. Losing these fields will have an impact on the community and children. D. Clapper and L. Clapper (students) also read statements to the Board in support of keeping the fields for sports.

D. Birdsall - keep the fields. It would be a devastation to sell them. His son also spoke in favor of keeping the fields.

D. Hamilton - keep the fields. They are part of Unatego.

President Salisbury read a letter to the Board from the Otego Youth Recreation Commission. The Commission is comprised of two Village and two Town of Otego Trustees. They are very interested in acquiring the fields at the Otego Elementary School. They are looking to the future and want to protect and possibly expand the programs that they already have.

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<u>Presentations</u>

Business Manager's Report - P. Loker

- The final claim form for FEMA reimbursement for expenses incurred during last year's snow storm has been signed and mailed. The Federal government will reimburse us for 75% of the \$12,200.
- The Hartford Insurance Company denied the boiler claim for the expenses incurred at Unatego Elementary School this winter. NYSER will pay for the expenses in the amount of approximately \$23,000.

Superintendent's Report - Dr. David S. Richards

- Mr. Downey visited the Kildonan School in Amenia, NY. A report with pictures was given to Dr. Richards and he forwarded the report to the Board. Mr. Downey will discuss further in Round Table Discussion.
- Due to the weather conditions this Spring it is possible that one game may have to be played on a Sunday afternoon. Does the Board have any objections? The Board gave their approval.
- Mrs. Davis, Student Council Advisor, would like to take students to Destiny USA. The school will not incur any cost as Student Council has funds to pay all expenses. Does the Board have any objections? There were none.
- Dr. Richards received a preliminary drawing of the land survey which is posted on the wall for viewing. Once the final drawing has been received it will be posted on the website.
- There was a clerical error on the Board date schedule for this school year. The public hearing date for the proposed budget should be May 7th at 6:30 p.m. not the 8th.
- Meet the candidates will be hosted by the Unadilla Rotary Club. It will be Tuesday, May 8th, or Wednesday, May 9th in the cafeteria at the MS/HS.

Administrative Action

Motion by McMichael, seconded by O'Hara, to approve the following resolutions as presented: Yes-7 No-0. Carried.

Warrants and Budget Status Reports were given to the Board for information only.

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby approve the Treasurer's Report for all funds for the month of March as presented.

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby approve Violet Bettiol and Elizabeth Goodrich as tellers for the May 15, 2018 Annual District Meeting at a rate of \$100/day each.

P. Loker

Dr. Richards

Business Reports

Approve Treasurer's Reports

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RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby approve agreement between Delaware County Public Services and Unatego Central School District as presented (annual 2018-19 preschool provider contract).

Agreement w/Delaware Co Public Services

Public Comment

- B. Hesse addressed the audience. The points made were fantastic and it is very clear the community wants to keep the sport fields at the Otego Elementary School. He thanked them for their support.
- N. Sacco Meet the Candidates Night concern.
- R. Hurlburt Discussed Meet the Candidates Night.
- E. Brown Urged the Board to vote on the RFP tonight and make it official.

Discussion on RFP followed. It was decided to hold a Special Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 1st, at 6:00 p.m. The school attorney will attend the meeting.

Several members of the audience requested the Board to move the decision along in a timely fashion.

- E. Brown inquired about the Radon testing.
- E. Horan asked if the security cameras at the Otego Elementary School were functional. The building should have security.

Round Table Discussion

- R. Downey discussed limiting the opportunities on the RFP. Dr. Richards discussed the appearance of putting a preference of one bidder over another.
- B. McMichael requested that two resolutions for the RFP be on the next agenda.
- J. McDermott requested that NYS School Boards be contacted to hold a Superintendent's evaluation workshop so that the new Board members were familiar with the process.

He also feels that students should be made aware that a threat made in regards to the school will be taken seriously and may affect their lives.

R. Treffeisen – the students in the recent drama production did a great job. The sports teams are all doing an amazing job.

Motion by McMichael, seconded by Downey, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Yes-7 No-0. Carried.

Adjournment

Joan M. French, District Clerk