

MINUTES

<p>President Salisbury called the Regular Meeting of the Unatego Central School District Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. in room 93 at the MS/HS.</p>	<p>Call to Order</p>
<p>Clapper, McDermott, McMichael, O'Hara, Olsen and Salisbury answered roll call.</p>	<p>Roll Call</p>
<p>Absent: Downey.</p>	
<p>Administrative members present: Supt. Dr. David S. Richards and CSE Chairperson Kinnear.</p>	
<p>Motion by O'Hara, seconded by McMichael, to go into Exempt Session to discuss CSE recommendations at 6:31 p.m. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.</p>	<p>Exempt Session</p>
<p>Exempt Session: 6:31 p.m. – room 93.</p>	
<p>Open Session resumed at 7:00 p.m. – room 93.</p>	<p>Open Session</p>
<p>Clapper, McDermott, McMichael, O'Hara, Olsen and Salisbury answered roll call.</p>	<p>Roll Call</p>
<p>Administrative members present: Supt. Dr. David S. Richards, Elementary Principal Mazourek, MS Principal Hoyt, HS Principal Lambiaso, Special Pgrms Director Kinnear and Clerk French.</p>	
<p>Visitors/Staff: 18</p>	
<p>President Salisbury led the Flag Salute.</p>	<p>Flag Salute</p>
<p>Motion by McMichael, seconded by Olsen, to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2018 as presented. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.</p>	<p>9-17-18 Reg Brd Mtg Min</p>
<p>Motion by Olsen, seconded by McMichael, to adopt the Agenda as presented. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.</p>	<p>Adopt Agenda</p>
<p><u>Public Comment</u></p>	
<p>B. Hesse – the Village Planning Board asked Mr. Hesse to inquire whether Supt. Dr. Richards had received their letter regarding the subdivision of the property. Dr. Richards indicated that he had received the letter and had forwarded it to the attorney.</p>	
<p><u>Presentations</u></p>	
<p>LINKS – Kim Trask, Team Facilitator</p>	<p>LINKS</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Trask reviewed the LINKS plan for the 2018-2019 school year. • Citizenship was added to their goal this year. Their goal is "to continually improve the level of instruction, learning and citizenship throughout the District in order for students to graduate". • The five objectives were reviewed. 	<p>Presentation</p>

<p>Administrator's Report High School – J. Lambiaso</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Lambiaso recognized three students for honors they received over the summer. The students were Jacob Haqq – 11th grader – he competed with the Down Under Sports in Australia; Olivia Boecke and Khayla Robinson – 12th graders – they performed in the concert band with American Music Abroad. They each received a certificate. • Spirit Week is this week. There will be a pep rally, homecoming football game and a homecoming dance. • It is the end of the five-week marking period. • Observations have started. • Staff Development will be this Friday, October 5th. • Open House is Thursday, October 11th. • The musical "<i>State Fair</i>" is November 2, 3 & 4. • Two new scholarships are on the agenda for approval. 	<p>J. Lambiaso</p>
<p>Middle School – P. Hoyt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire drills for the Fall have been completed. Two lockdowns will also take place this Fall. • Observations have started. • New York State has released test results. Math increased 7% and ELA was the State average. • Mrs. Hoyt will be attending a webinar on student absenteeism. • Middle School will be holding a Halloween Dance. 	<p>P. Hoyt</p>
<p>Elementary School – K. Mazourek</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There has been one lockdown held and three fire drills. • There will be an off-campus evacuation drill on October 19th. • Open House and the Book Fair had about 85% participation. • NYS Test results increased - ELA +4% and Math +5%. • Observations have started. • Otego, Unadilla and Wells Bridge Fire Department will be at the school during Fire Prevention Week. • Staff Development Day for the elementary will include guidance in Autism. 	<p>K. Mazourek</p>
<p>Superintendent's Report – Dr. David S. Richards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Policy Committee met and has recommended three proposed policies. Two policies are new and one policy is a revision. • Safety Committee Meeting - Emergency plans have been updated and revised for the elementary and middle school/high school. The 2018-19 Safety Plan is on the Agenda for approval. • Local schools along with Bassett two years ago worked together and applied for a career Grant. They recently received notice that the grant had been approved. This gives us the opportunity, through ONC BOCES, to have a counselor work with our students regarding severe trauma. We will share with the GMU School District. Two years are covered by the grant, third year cost is 50% and 4th year 75%. This will be run through BOCES and the cost will be aidable. 	<p>Dr. Richards</p>

- Update on the sale of the Otego Elementary School. There is a tentative date of November 30th for the completion of the sale to AgZeit.
- Reminder of the upcoming School Board Institute Meeting on October 18th at the Sidney High School. Regent Susan Mittler is the speaker.
- Dr. Richards and Business Manager Patti Loker attended the New York State Superintendent’s Conference last week in Saratoga. Workshops attended were discussed. The NYS Rural Schools Association presented Trends in NYS Education.
- The Career Destinations Program and Local Workshop Preparation through BOCES was discussed. Our school will be participating with Oxford and Sherburne-Earlville school districts.
- Reminder – Audit committee will meet at 6:00 p.m. on October 15th before the Regular Board meeting.

Administrative Action

Motion by McMichael, seconded by Clapper, to approve the following resolutions, 4.1-4.14, as presented: Yes-6 No-0. Carried.

The following policies were presented for first reading: policy 7135 Education of Students in Foster Care; policy 7222 Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities (revision); policy 7554 Student Gender Identity.

First Reading
3 Policies

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby approve the CSE recommendation as presented.

CSE Recommendations

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby approve the LINKS Plan for 2018-2019 as presented.

LINKS Plan
Approved

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby approve the Unatego Central School District-Wide School Safety Plan 2018-2019 as presented.

Safety Plan
Approved

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby establish the Peter J. Negri Scholarship as presented.

Scholarship
P.J. Negri

RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby establish the Marla Calabro Scholarship as presented.

Scholarship
M. Calabro

WHEREAS, the Board of Education adopted a resolution dated October 1, 2018, authorizing the commencement of litigation against the NY44 Health Benefits Plan Trust (“the Trust”) and any other parties necessary to such litigation; and

NY 44
Resolution

WHEREAS, a complaint was filed in New York State Supreme Court, Erie County, on April 12, 2018 under Index Number 805785/2018 naming the Unatego Central School District/BOCES as a Plaintiff and the Trust, its individual trustees and Erie 1 BOCES as Defendants; and

<p>WHEREAS, Defendants the Trust and individual trustees moved to dismiss certain claims set forth in the Complaint filed under Index Number 805785/2018; and</p>	
<p>WHEREAS, Plaintiffs opposed the Trust and individual trustees' motion to dismiss and cross-moved to file an amended complaint; and</p>	
<p>WHEREAS, after oral argument held on September 10, 2018, the court denied Plaintiffs' motion to amend the complaint and granted the Trust and individual trustees' motion to dismiss all claims in the Complaint except for the First, Third, Seventh and Eighth causes of action against those Defendants;</p>	
<p>WHEREAS, counsel to the District has recommended that Plaintiffs appeal the dismissal of the Second, Fourth and Fifth causes of action as against Defendants the Trust and individual Trustees;</p>	
<p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC, as counsel to the Board and District in the above-referenced proceeding under Index Number 805785/2018, to take all necessary action to appeal so much of the Court's decision of September 10, 2018, to dismiss of the Second, Fourth and Fifth causes of action set forth in the Complaint as against Defendants the Trust and individual Trustees.</p>	
<p>RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby appoint Virginia Maltese substitute cleaner, clerical and food service helper for the 2018-2019 school year pending fingerprinting and criminal history review as presented.</p>	<p>V. Maltese Sub Cleaner, FSH, Clerical</p>
<p>RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby appoint Marie Sroka, returning substitute teacher/LTA for the 2018-2019 school year.</p>	<p>M.Sroka SubTeacher/LTA</p>
<p>RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby appoint Suzanne Patrick substitute aide for the 2018-2019 school year.</p>	<p>S. Patrick Sub Aide</p>
<p>RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby appoint Lew Keyser, Varsity Boys' Basketball coach, step 5, for the 2018-2019 school year.</p>	<p>L. Keyser VBB Coach</p>
<p>RESOLVED; upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that this Board does hereby appoint the following teachers to monitor the Academic Eligibility Program for the 2018-2019 school year as presented (Middle/High School): Jessica Strauss, Karen Alvin, Anne Nelson, Lori Keyser, Sara Ingalls, Kim Trask, Lori Harvey, Linda Staiber, Ryan Brosi, Shannon Adams, Jeanne Butler.</p>	<p>Teachers to Monitor Academic Eligibility</p>

<p><u>Public Comment</u></p> <p>B. Hesse – at the last Board Meeting he asked the Board to investigate purchasing Greenie’s. He asked if anyone had been appointed to look into this. Discussion followed.</p> <p>Mr. Hesse wanted to know if the Board had decided what to do with the surplus items at the Otego Elementary School.</p> <p>Mr. Hesse asked if there had been any movement for the transfer of land to the Town of Otego.</p> <p>L. Fancher – inquired if the proposed construction at Ampheol would hurt AgZeit plan.</p> <p>J. Fancher – inquired on the menu for the Middle/Senior High School.</p> <p><u>Round Table Discussion</u></p> <p>B. McMichael – concern regarding the transfer of land to Otego.</p> <p>Motion by McMichael, seconded by Olsen, to go into Executive Session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 8:29 p.m. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.</p> <p>Clerk French left at 8:29 p.m.</p> <hr/> <p>Joan M. French District Clerk</p> <p>Executive Session: 8:31 p.m. – room 93.</p> <p>Open Session resumed at 8:55 p.m.</p> <p>Motion by McDermott, seconded by McMichael, to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.</p> <hr/> <p>Dr. David S. Richards Superintendent of Schools</p>	<p>Executive Session</p> <p>Adjournment</p>
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