APPROVED MINUTES HOLLAND PATENT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015 ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM –7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Holland Patent Central School District was held in the annex conference room, located in the village of Holland Patent, New York on Wednesday, February 4, 2015. Board Vice President, Karen Evans called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ALSO PRESENT

Andrew Massoud

Dennis Geer

Russ Stevener

MEMBERS PRESENT

Karen Evans, Vice President Richard Allen Everett Stalker Traci Boris (arrived at 7:02 p.m.) Matthew Milone Kathleen M. Davis, Superintendent of Schools Nancy Nowicki, Assistant Superintendent Marie Perry, District Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT

Anne McGahey, President Cheryl Venettozzi, Assistant Superintendent

VISITORS

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

POSITIVE THOUGHTS

Holland Patent Elementary Principal, James DeAngelo, sent thank you letters to Mr. Frankie Corrado, and Mr. Travis Ehrhardt from the Utica Comets for their presentation to students on how to recognize and respond to bullying, the importance of working together, and the role of hard work in accomplishing their goals. Mr. DeAngelo also thanked Ms. Machaela Buckley for organizing the visit and working with Mrs. Isenberg.

Principal DeAngelo sent thank you letters to 8 high school students for volunteering to help with the Holland Patent Elementary Grandparents Luncheon.

Principal DeAngelo sent thank you letters to Mrs. Burnett, Mrs. Carro, Mrs. Coffin, Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Houghtaling, Mrs. Howe, Ms. Judycki, Mrs. Kirk, Ms. McCartney, Mrs. Smith, Ms. E. Wilcox, and Mrs. K. Wilcox for helping to make the Grandparents Luncheon a success.

UPCOMING DATES

February 11, 2015 High School Character Education Breakfast

7:30 a.m.

HPE BLT meeting

4:30 p.m. – Holland Patent Elementary

Elementary PTA Meeting

5:30 p.m. - Holland Patent Elementary

February 13, 2015 GWF 1st Grade Valentine Concert

1:15 p.m. – Gen. Wm. Floyd Elementary

February 16-20, 2015 February Mid Winter Recess President's Day – Holiday

February 26, 2015 Booster Club Meeting

7:30 p.m. – High School Library

March 4, 2015 International Night

6:00 p.m. – High School

March 5, 2015 International Night – Snow Date

March 5-6, 2015 Jazz Festival

Oneida High School

March 6, 2015 High School Blood Drive

GWF "Music in Our Schools Celebration, Grade 2

1:15 p.m. – Gen. Wm. Floyd Elementary

March 9, 2015 Varsity/JV Spring Sports Begin

March 11, 2015 Elementary PTA Meeting

4:00 p.m. – Gen. Wm. Floyd Elementary

Board of Education Meeting

7:00 p.m. – Annex Conference Room

14-152 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker to approve the minutes of the Board of Education regular meeting on January 14, 2015.

Yes - 3

No - 0 Motion carried

14-153 **DISTRICT UPDATE**

Mr. Geer discussed the pilot program through BOCES and the local law enforcement, Mutualink. Six schools in the county are piloting the security program which will link directly with law enforcement in the event of a school safety issue.

14-154 **VISITORS**

No comments.

14-155 <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

There was no correspondence

14-156 **BOARD FORUM**

There were no comments from the board.

14-157 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

14-158 **BUDGET OVERVIEW**

The budget overview was moved to the next meeting due to the state aid runs being withheld from schools. Dr. Davis noted that without an increase in aid, the gap will be \$1.3 million. This will result in the use of additional reserves, reductions, and an increase in the levy. Mr. Allen commented he did not think the aid being withheld would happen.

14-159 **BILL SCHEDULES**

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to accept for payment bill schedule #6 General Fund in the amount of \$103,031.64, for the period ending February 4, 2015 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 4 No – 0 Motion Carried

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to accept for payment bill schedule #7 School Lunch in the amount of \$17,532.80, for the period ending February 4, 2015 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 4 No – 0 Motion Carried

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to accept for payment bill schedule #6, Federal Funds in the amount of \$16,580.00, for the period ending February 4, 2015 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 4 No – 0 Motion Carried

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to accept for payment bill schedule #5, Capital Project (\$5.6m) in the amount of \$6,400.00, for the period ending February 4, 2015 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 4 No – 0 Motion Carried

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to accept for payment bill schedule #1, Trust & Agency in the amount of \$400,167.23, for the period ending February 4, 2015 and make it a matter of record.

Yes - 4No -0 Motion Carried

14-160 TREASURER'S REPORTS

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to accept the Treasurer's Reports for the period ending November 30, 2014 and December 31, 2014, and made a matter of record.

Yes – 4 No – 0 Motion Carried

14-161 **BUS PROPOSITION**

Traci Boris made the motion, seconded by Richard Allen to adopt the following resolution regarding the bus proposition:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following notice shall be added to the notice of annual meeting and election:

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at such time:

PROPOSITION #1

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Holland Patent Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of one 60-passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost of \$110,041.80, one 66-passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost of \$113,319.27, and one 72-passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost of \$115,220.07, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$338,581.14, less trade-in value, if any, and that such costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum aggregate cost shall be issued, or the school district may enter into an installment purchase contract if the board of education determines that it is in the best interest of the school district to finance the purchase in that method.

- 2. At such meeting taxes to be levied by installments will be proposed providing for payment of the acquisition of school buses at an estimated aggregate maximum cost of not to exceed \$338,581.14. Such taxes shall be levied upon all the taxable property of the District, shall be levied in annual installments and shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education.
- 3. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to add the above to the notice of the annual meeting of the School District.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Yes-4

14-162 **BUDGET TRANSFERS**

APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR

APPROVAL OF OUT OF STATE CONFERENCE REQUEST

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE

REQUEST FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUSSES

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

APPOINTMENTS

2014-15 COACHING & VOLUNTEER APPOINTMENTS

Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to approve/accept/ adopt the following by consent:

Approve the 2014-15 Budget Transfers #2 for the period ending December 31, 2014.

Appoint D'Archangelo & Co., LLP, 200 East Garden Street, Rome, New York 13440, as external auditor for the Holland Patent Central School District as follows:

Year Ended: June 30, 2015 Fee Not to Exceed: \$20,400 Year Ended: June 30, 2016 Fee Not to Exceed: \$20,650 Year Ended: June 30, 2017 Fee Not to Exceed: \$20,850

(The agreement between the parties may be extended for two additional years, covering audits for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2019, upon mutual consent.)

Approve the request of Mary Beth Piejko, James DeAngelo, Lisa Buchanan, Cheryl Harris, Shawn Hast, Verna Agen and Richard Zacek to attend the Professional Learning Community Summit sponsored by Learning Tree Solutions on March 3-6, 2015 in Phoenix, Arizona. The conference is funded through the STLE2 Grant.

Adopt the following resolution of condolence regarding the passing of former principal, Charles F. Dodge:

"The Board of Education of the Holland Patent Central School District records with sorrow the passing of former principal, Charles F. Dodge.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education expresses its sincere sympathy to the family of Charles F. Dodge and that this resolution be spread upon the records of the district and a copy sent to his family."

Approve the request of the American Heart Association for two busses for the Run and Walk on Saturday, March 7, 2015.

Approve the request of Dana Dornburgh for a leave of absence without pay on Friday, March 27, 2015.

Approve the request of Joann Hasenauer for a leave of absence without pay for the period March 23 - 27, 2015, (5 days).

Approve the following substitute teacher appointments, at a per diem rate of Certified \$80 per day; Non-certified \$65 per day effective February 5, 2015:

Steven Winfield 7286 Trenton Road Barneveld, NY 13304 \$65/day Non-certified

Approve the appointment of **Jean Marsden**, 7950 Wood Road, Holland Patent, New York 13354, to the position of bus driver, 4 hour/25 minutes per day, 10 months, Step 1, at a rate of \$17.13 per hour and for a probationary period of 26 weeks effective February 5, 2015.

Approve the following non-instructional substitutes effective February 5, 2015:

Substitute Teacher Aide, 90% of Step 1, \$9.89/hr. Substitute Library Aide, 90% of Step 1, \$9.89/hr. Substitute School Monitor, 90% of Step 1, \$9.89/hr. Substitute Clerk, 90% of Step 1, \$10.58/hr. Substitute Cleaner, 90% of Step 1, \$9.89/hr.

Amanda Blanchard 7664 Watson Hollow Road Rome, NY 13440

Approve the following coaching & volunteer appointments for the 2014-15 school year:

Michael Arcuri	Boys Varsity Lacrosse	10%	\$3,150.30
Karen Corigliano	Girls Varsity Golf	5%	\$1,575.15
Dennis Johnson	Boys Varsity Track Assistant	7%	\$2,205.21
Michael Lariccio	Boys Varsity Golf Volunteer		n/a
Eric Matt	Boys Lacrosse Volunteer		n/a

Yes – 4 No - 0 Motion Carried

14-163 **ENCLOSURES**

- 1. High School Newsletter, January 2015, Volume 6, Issue 5, from Principal Stevener.
- 2. Holland Patent Elementary School Newsletter, *The HPE Update*, January 2015, from Principal DeAngelo.
- 3. Unapproved BOCES draft of proposed calendar 2015-16.
- 4. Fiscal Stress Monitoring System Fact Sheet from the NYS Office of Thomas DiNapoli, State Comptroller.
- 5. Transition Night flyer from Beth Denhoff
- 6. Governor Cuomo Announcement on Property Tax Credit Plan
- 7. FIRST Tech Challenge Brochure
- 8. Rural School Association article, 2015 Executive Budget Proposal: The Impact on our Rural Schools.

Matt Milone requested clarification on enclosure #7.

14-164 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:18 p.m., Richard Allen made the motion, seconded by Everett Stalker, to take a short recess and to return in executive session to discuss:

- 1. Recommendations by the Committee on Pre School Special Education
- 2. Recommendations by the Committee on Special Education
- 3. Negotiations

Yes - 4

No - 0 Motion Carried

At 7:20 p.m. the Board entered executive session.

Mrs. McGahey arrived at 7:30 p.m.

At 8:45 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

14- 165 <u>RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL</u> EDUCATION

Karen Evans made the motion, seconded by Richard Allen, to approve the recommendations by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

Yes - 5 No - 0 Motion Carried

14-166 **RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Karen Evans made the motion, seconded by Richard Allen, to approve the recommendations by the Committee on Special Education.

Yes - 5No - 0 Motion Carried

14-167 **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to discuss at this time, Karen Evans made the motion, seconded by Richard Allen to adjourn the meeting.

Yes - 5No - 0 Motion Carried

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:50 p.m.

The next regular meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 in the annex conference room at 7:00 p.m.

Marie E. Perry District Clerk