

**MINUTES OF THE 886 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMHERST CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
January 8, 2019
District Office Conference Room**

Present: Paul Steimle - President, Jeanne Ernst - Vice-President, Lynn Errington, Lorry Goldhawk, Jessica McLaughlin, Mark Smith, Dominic Vivolo

Not Present: None

Others Present: Anthony Panella - Superintendent, Michael Belle-Isle - Assistant Superintendent, Lynn Shanahan - Assistant Superintendent

Meeting called to order by Paul Steimle, President, at 7:00 pm

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

None

VISITORS WISHING TO SPEAK

None

REPORT OF BOARD AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Pathfinder's Task Force

The High School Pathfinder's Task Force nominated Mr. Matthew Murray as "Teacher of the Month" for November 2018 and Ms. Annette Rooney for December 2018. Beau Haubeil and Diamond Howard were nominated as "Students of the Month" for November 2018 and James Moore and Cordelia Wright for December 2018.

Project Lead the Way

Business and Computer Science Teachers, Anne Marie Will and Jon Himes, gave an overview of Computer Science Principles being taught at the High School. The program prepares the students in technology literacy and develops time management, problem solving, creative thinking, and communication.

A motion was made by Jeanne Ernst and seconded by Jessica McLaughlin to approve the following New Business Items: E-1-a through n and Personnel Items: E-2-a through d. The motion unanimously carried (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Approve** Minutes of December 18, 2018 Regular Business Meeting.
- b. **Approve** the Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Subcommittee on Special Education.
- c. **Approve** the Recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education.
- d. **Preapprove** the Overnight/Out-of-the-Country Field Trip Proposal to Quebec City, Quebec for 29 students: February 17, 2019 – February 20, 2019 (No cost to District).
- e. **Approve** the honorarium request from the Middle School in the amount of \$600.00 payable to Paul Biddle for accompanist services for three (3) concerts during the first semester.
- f. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$3,500.00 payable to Kelly Camarata as Operetta Choreographer (Funds generated from ticket sales).

- g. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$2,250.00 payable to Dave Halm as Operetta Construction and Stage Crew Advisor (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- h. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$2,250.00 payable to Matthew Pendrak as Operetta Orchestra Director (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- i. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$2,000.00 payable to Sarah Bos as Operetta Costumer (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- j. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$1,750.00 payable to Dale Bosworth as Operetta Scenic Painter (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- k. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$1,000.00 payable to John Shotwell as Operetta Sound Designer (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- l. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$500.00 payable to Craig Incontro as Operetta Orchestral Advisor and Pit Musician (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- m. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$500.00 payable to Katherine Kuo as Operetta Graphic Designer and for Program Layout (Funds generated from ticket sales).
- n. **Approve** the honorarium request from the High School in the amount of \$50.00 payable to Katy Humphrey as Operetta Cover Artist (Funds generated from ticket sales).

PERSONNEL

Instructional Faculty

- 1. Appoint **Erum Jenks**, current Elementary long-term substitute at Windermere Boulevard School for Christopher Teal, **as an Elementary Teacher long-term part-year substitute at Windermere Boulevard School** (replacing Danielle Gorney) effective January 22, 2019 through April 18, 2019 (tentative date).

Instructional Teaching Assistants

- 1. Appoint **Kristen Cammarano** who holds a valid initial Childhood Education (1-6) certificate, **as a part-time Teaching Assistant** (16.5 hours/week) at Windermere Boulevard School (replacing Amber Myers) effective January 9, 2019.

Civil Service

- 1. Accept with regret and appreciation the **resignation** of **Christopher Crawford**, part-time Cleaner at the Middle School, effective his last day of work December 28, 2018.

Other

- 1. Approve changes to the 2018-19 Substitute list.

Follow Up Action Items

- 1. None

A motion to convene to Executive Session for matters regarding employment of a particular person was made by Mark Smith, seconded by Lynn Errington. Motion unanimously carried (7-0).

The board convened to Executive Session at 7:43 pm.

A motion to convene to Public Session was made by Jeanne Ernst, seconded by Lorry Goldhawk. Motion unanimously carried (7-0).

The board convened to Public Session at 8:10 PM.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dominic Vivolo, seconded by Jessica McLaughlin.
Motion unanimously carried (7-0).

The meeting adjourned 8:10 PM.

The next regular Board of Education meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Deborah Custodi, District Clerk