



Tuesday, December 9, 2014
Board of Education Meeting Minutes – Program & Service Review

RUSH-HENRIETTA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

District No. 1 of the Towns of Rush, Henrietta, Pittsford, and Brighton

All appendices referenced to, herein, are incorporated into and made a part of the official minutes of this meeting to the same extent as if fully set forth.

In Attendance:

- Board members: Diane E. McBride, President
Phyllis P. Wickerham, Vice president
Robert C. Bower
Jean M. Chaudari
Rosie B. Mitchell
Pamela J. Reinhardt
Sue A. Smith
- Others: Dr. J. Kenneth Graham Jr., Superintendent of Schools
Mr. George DesMarteau, School Attorney
Mrs. Nerlande Anselme, Assistant Superintendent, Student and Family Services
Dr. Patrick McCue, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources and Strategic Initiatives
Mr. Andrew Whitmore, Assistant Superintendent, School Finance and Operations
Mrs. Dina Wilson, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
- Excused: Mrs. Karen A. Flanigan, School District Clerk
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1. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – GENERAL

A. Board of Education Members, Superintendent of Schools, School Attorney, School District Clerk, Cabinet Members

See above attendance.

B. Meeting Information

The Program and Service Review meeting of the Board of Education of the Rush-Henrietta Central School District was held Tuesday, December 9, 2014, in the Dee Strickland Conference Room at the Parker Administration Building, 2034 Lehigh Station Road, Henrietta, NY 14467.

2. OPENING OF PUBLIC MEETING

A. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Introductions

Mrs. McBride called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Mrs. Mitchell called to say she would be late due to a flight delay. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Introductions were not needed as no one was in the audience. Dr. Graham asked to add a Superintendent's Report to the agenda prior to the SEQRA determination.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Oral Information

- The district is in receipt of a letter from a student questioning the removal of two science electives from the *2015-2016 Course Descriptions* book. A letter will be written to her with the explanation that the microbiology material will be imbedded in the newer Project Lead the Way courses being offered. The Astronomy course was a stand-alone one and not part of any sequence. Due to a poor participation rate, it could not be supported.

- Letters were received regarding a Ninth Grade Academy health class lesson plan. Parents were very concerned that the material was inappropriate for student use. An investigation determined that it was not approved curriculum material and the teacher was instructed to follow district-approved material going forward.
- A new flyer has been designed and printed for use at upcoming full-day kindergarten information sessions.

3. NEGATIVE SEQRA DETERMINATION FOR FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT CAPITAL PROJECT (Reference appendix #3A)

A. Action pertaining to approval of the negative SEQRA determination for full-day kindergarten and enrollment management capital project

Mr. Whitmore reviewed the document.

**MOTION PERTAINING TO APPROVAL OF THE
NEGATIVE SEQRA DETERMINATION FOR
FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN AND ENROLL-
MENT MANAGEMENT CAPITAL PROJECT
MOVED: Mr. Bower
SECONDED: Mrs. Reinhardt
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0**

4. SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING FOR FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT CAPITAL PROJECT (Reference appendix #4B)

- A. Action calling for a special district meeting on February 10, 2015, for the presentation of propositions related to the enactment of full-day kindergarten and enrollment management capital project
- B. Action pertaining to approval of the propositions related to the enactment of full-day kindergarten and enrollment management capital project

The language in the propositions reviewed at the Nov. 18 board meeting was changed. The final propositions are ready for board approval.

**MOTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING
ON FEBRUARY 10, 2015, FOR THE PRESENTATION OF
PROPOSITIONS FOR APPROVAL RELATED TO THE
ENACTMENT OF FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN AND
ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT CAPITAL PROJECT
INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
A CAPITAL RESERVE FUND
MOVED: Mrs. Chaudari
SECONDED: Mrs. Smith
MOTION CARRIED: 6-0**

Mr. DesMarteau departed around 6:30 p.m., prior to the start of the Program & Service Review (agenda item #5A).

5. WORKSHOP (Reference appendix #5A)

A. Program & Service Review/Base Budget

Mr. Whitmore and Mrs. Sharlow, senior budget technician, presented details on how the information forming the 2015-16 budget was determined.

Mrs. Mitchell arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Discussion continued with questions being answered.

Dr. Graham added information regarding the Urban-Suburban Program. He said it could be a program Rush-Henrietta might consider as not only a source of income, but an enrollment management tool. It was agreed that it would be something the board would like more detailed information on.

6. CLOSING OF MEETING

A. Board Meeting Recap

- Dr. Graham will gather more information on Continuing Education attendance numbers and the Urban-Suburban Program.

B. Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:03 P.M.

MOVED: Mr. Bower

SECONDED: Mrs. Reinhardt

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0

C. Next Board of Education Meeting

The next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis P. Wickerham

Board Vice President

Board Approved: January 6, 2015