

Tuesday, November 8, 2016
Regular Meeting Minutes

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 part of the official minutes of this meeting to the same extent as if fully set forth.

In Attendance

Board members: Mr. Robert L. Cook, President
Mr. Sean P. McCormick, Vice President
Mr. Simeon I. Banister
Mr. Robert C. Bower
Mrs. Diane E. McBride
Mrs. Sue A. Smith (via video conference)
Mrs. Annmarie Strzyzynski

Others: Dr. J. Kenneth Graham Jr., Superintendent of Schools
Mr. George DesMarteau, School Attorney
Ms. Sheri Brege, Acting School District Clerk
Ms. Nerlande Anselme, Assistant Superintendent, Student & Family Services
Dr. Patrick McCue, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Strategic Initiatives
Mr. Andrew Whitmore, Assistant Superintendent, School Finance & Operations
Ms. Dina Wilson, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction
Ms. Maddy Wolgast, Student Representative to the Board

1. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING - GENERAL

A. Board of Education Members, School Attorney, Acting School District Clerk, and Cabinet Members were present.

B. Meeting Information

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Rush-Henrietta Central School District was held Tuesday, November 8, 2016 in the Dee Strickland Conference Room at the John W. Parker Administration Building, 2034 Lehigh Station Road, Henrietta, NY 14467.

2. OPENING OF PUBLIC MEETING

A. Mr. Cook called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He then asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations with Facilities and Maintenance, COMIDA Pilot, and personnel matters.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED: Mr. McCormick

SECONDED: Mr. Bower

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0

MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:10 P.M.

MOVED: Mr. McCormick

SECONDED: Mrs. Strzyzynski

MOTION CARRIED: 7-0

RETURN TO PUBLIC MEETING

A. Recall to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Introductions, Agenda Review, and Announcements

Mr. Cook recalled the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and introductions done. Mr. Cook added DPAC report to Item #16 under Board Member Reports.

5. BOARD MEMBER REPORT FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE(S)

Mrs. Horn and Mrs. Watts met with Student Council to review new course offerings that would be offered next year. They asked Student Council to help get the word out.

Maddy Wolgast - Student Council Officers started the first of their mini projects. They held a Mock Election done thru Google during lunch periods. They utilized 2 Chrome Books to tally votes. By the end of final lunch it was almost tied. Hillary won by .4% at the Senior High.

The next project for Student Council is voter registration. They are hoping to get the entire Senior Class and some juniors registered.

6. PUBLIC FORUM – No one signed up to speak.
7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR ROUTINE MATTERS – (Reference Appendices 7A-L)

**ACTION PERTAINING TO THE ACCEPTANCE
OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 7A-K
MOVED: Mr. Bower
SECONDED: Mr. Banister
MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

**ACTION PERTAINING TO THE ACCEPTANCE
OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 7L
BOARD MINUTES, WITH CHANGES
MOVED: Mrs. McBride
SECONDED: Mrs. Strzyzynski
MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

8. PERSONNEL ACTIONS - (Reference Appendices 8A)

**ACTION PERTAINING TO THE
ACCEPTANCE OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS
MOVED: Mr. Bower
SECONDED: Mr. Banister
MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

9. PARTICIPATION IN THE URBAN-SUBURBAN PROGRAM - (Reference Appendices 9A)

**ACTION PERTAINING TO THE
APPROVAL OF THE URBAN-SUBURBAN
STUDENT TRANSFER PROGRAM RESOLUTION
MOVED: Mrs. McBride
SECONDED: Mrs. Strzyzynski
MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

10. BOARD WORKSHOP: TRANSPORTATION POLICY IMPLEMENTATION– (Reference Appendices 10A-B)
Dr. Graham reviewed the concerns voiced at the previous board meeting regarding bus passes. He put together a letter (draft) that he would like to send to parents regarding bus passes. This letter was included in the board packet, and was also distributed to DPAC at their meeting last week to gather their input.
DPAC felt it wasn't necessary to produce a video. The letter did a good job outlining the issue and resolution the district has come up with was fair.
Different scenarios were discussed by the Board. Mrs. Smith-Gravanda, Director of Transportation, and Mrs. Bloss, Head Bus Driver, were present to answer questions. The Board asked how much lead time was needed for changes/bus passes by the Transportation Department. They suggested a week's notice, with the notice given no later than Wednesday of the prior week.
Dr. Graham felt a consistent five-day notice be set in place and adhered to. When speaking with upset parents, reference the Board Policy 8411. In addition, it was felt that reference to this policy should be included in the Parent letter. Dr. Graham will rewrite the letter and include it in November 15, Board meeting along with the Transportation Policy 8411 for final review.

11. BOARD WORKSHOP – DISTRICT PRIORITIES (Reference Appendices 11A-D)
Dr. Graham reviewed his District Priorities 2016-17 Plan of Work. He identified Problems and Improvement Plans that staff will be focusing on this year.
12. BOARD WORKSHOP – POLICY REVIEW (Reference Appendices 12)
The Board reviewed the policies and minor edits were made to Exhibit 4531-E.7 and Policy 5100. All policies reviewed will go on the November 15 Board meeting for a second read and approval.
13. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT (Reference Appendices 13 A-B)
There were no questions from the Board in regard to the enclosed appendices.

Dr. Graham reported that the Space Planning Committee met on October 27th. Their next meeting on November 17th they will be sharing projections for next year along with community development from the Town that is expected for the next 5 years.

During the Budget Advisory Committee Meeting coming up on November 14th discussion will focus on enrollments and outside placements of special education students.

The spring school musical date has changed. It was originally scheduled for April 7-9 (Sunday being Palm Sunday); it is now scheduled for Thursday-Saturday, April 6-8.

14. OLD BUSINESS – None

15. NEW BUSINESS – None

16. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- ✓ MCSBA Legislative Committee - Mr. Banister e-mailed the minutes and gave a brief report. He reminded the Board of the upcoming December 5 Lobby Trip; appointments are starting to get scheduled for this visit.
- ✓ MCSBA Labor Relations Committee – Mrs. Strzyzynski reported that Brockport is out recruiting students for their teachers program, they are desperate to get enrollment up. Dr. McCue is working with Brockport to utilize those teachers enrolled in the Brockport program.
- ✓ DPAC Meeting – Mrs. McBride reported that the Safety presentation at the meeting went well. There was positive feedback on Dr. Graham’s involvement in fostering PTA’s moving forward with the reconfiguration. There was a wonderful presentation of Google Apps, and parents were excited to learn about it.
- ✓ NYSSBA CONVENTION REPORT – postponed until the November 15, Board meeting.

MOTION TO END MEETING AT 8:35 PM
MOVED: Mrs. McBride
SECONDED: Mr. McCormick
MOTION CARRIED: 7-0

C. Next Board of Education Meeting – November 15, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Brege
Acting School District Clerk
Board Approved: December 13, 2016