

**MINUTES** of the Study Session of the Board of Education of the West Irondequoit Central School District, Town of Irondequoit, Monroe County, New York held Thursday, September 3, 2015, in the District Office, 321 List Avenue, Rochester, NY

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Burns, B. Evans, M. Seeley, M. Steckley, J. Vay

**ALSO PRESENT:** J. Brennan, J. Crane, S. Ertel, K. Finter, P. Kelly, C. Miga, T. Terranova

**ABSENT:** A. Cunningham, J. Shafer

Visitors: As per Sign In sheet

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Burns called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion was made by Mr. Seeley seconded by Dr. Steckley to approve the agenda as presented.

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

**PUBLIC HEARING – Safe and Positive Learning Environment / Cyberbullying**

Mr. Crane reviewed the various actions that have taken place to ensure a safe and positive learning environment for all including: a video on value systems, Principals hosting coffee hours, Anti-Social Media presentation, revisions to the Code of Conduct and professional development for district leadership. Dr. Terranova commented on the DASA training for leadership staff that focused on policy and regulation. Mr. Ertel commented on the instructional responsibility that included respect, ethical responsibility, Internet filters and other control features. Mr. Crane concluded the public hearing commenting about the ongoing work being done by School Based Planning Teams that includes parent representation. Board members had the opportunity for comments and discussion.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

District Resident/Address	Issue/Concern
None.	

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Crane reported that Channel 10 called WICSD indicating that they heard county-wide attendance was low the first day of school. Our attendance on September 2, 2015 was 98.01%. Mr. Crane also shared that during his visits to schools that everyone was excited and off to a great year. Additionally, Mr. Crane reported that we will be joining the Unified Sports program that provides team athletics to students with intellectual disabilities. Teams are comprised of SWD and partners (non-disabled students). Lastly, Mr. Crane asked the Board to think about the NYSSBA Annual Conference in October and whether someone may consider attending.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

No Report.

## **REPORT OF LEADERSHIP STAFF**

### Personnel

#### *Agenda*

Dr. Terranova reviewed the personnel agenda dated September 17, 2015.

### Business

#### *Audit Committee*

Mr. Brennan reported that we are awaiting the final draft of our external audit. Once received an Audit Committee meeting will be scheduled.

#### *Facilities Committee*

Mr. Brennan reported that the next Facilities Committee meeting will be on September 22, 2015 where they will discuss the library and various other district properties. Also, in October, Campus Construction and Clark Patterson Lee will provide a Promise Project update.

### Pupil Personnel Services

#### *Recommendation of the Committee on Special Education*

Upon motion by Mr. Vay with a second by Mr. Seeley the following resolution was offered:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the recommendations dated September 3, 2015 of the Committee on Special Education for the 2015-16 school year be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### A. Approval of 2016-17 Budget Guidelines/Timeline

Upon motion by Dr. Steckley with a second by Mr. Vay the following resolution was offered:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 2016-17 Budget Guidelines and Timeline be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

### B. Approval of 2015-16 District Key Focus Areas/Key Measures

Upon motion by Mr. Seeley with a second by Dr. Steckley the following resolution was offered:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 2015-16 District Key Focus Areas/Key Measures be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

Ms. Crumlish reviewed the various options for the Board to consider when doing a community survey. She also unveiled the new West Irondequoit CSD Web site that will go live very soon. The Board had the opportunity for questions/comments.

- C. Approval of Revised Policies
  - 1. #7620 Sports and the Athletic Program
  - 2. #6213 Probation and Tenure

Upon motion by Mr. Seeley with a second by Mr. Vay the following resolution was offered:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that revised policies #7620 Sports and the Athletic Program and #6213 Probation and Tenure be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. Policy Review

- 1. #8260 Instruction for English Language Learners/English as a New Language  
This draft revises our current 8280 (a required policy) to reflect changes in Commissioner's Regulation, particularly Part 154, regarding English Language Learners (ELLs). Rather than attempt to repeat the details provided by the Erie 1 sample policy and regulation, the policy affirms the District's adherence to 154, and simply indicates the general areas to which it applies. The District is already required to have a comprehensive ELL plan.

This will be considered the first reading, with the second and approval anticipated at the September 17, 2015 Business meeting.

- B. Review of 2015-16 Annual Professional Performance Lead Evaluators and Evaluators  
Dr. Terranova provided an APPR update and reviewed the list of APPR Lead Evaluators and Evaluators with approval anticipated at the September 17, 2015 Business meeting.

### C. Surplus District Vehicle

Upon motion by Mr. Evans with a second by Mr. Seeley the following resolution was offered:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that West Irondequoit Board of Education declare vehicle #875 (a 2000 Chevrolet C6500 salter), VIN #1GBJ7H1B6YJ518956 surplus and authorize the trade of the vehicle for \$6,000 to be applied as a credit towards the purchase of a replacement.

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

## **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

### Committee Reports/Correspondence

Mrs. Burns

Mrs. Burns reported on the great opening of school and the excitement. She also shared the BOCES I Board agenda and minutes and reminded everyone of the upcoming MCSBA Law Conference on September 24. Lastly, she commented how proud she is of many opportunities for Professional Development day on September 4.

Mr. Evans	Mr. Evans reported that the opening day breakfast event went well and great remarks by Mr. Crane. Mr. Evans is planning to schedule a meeting with Mr. DesRosiers soon. Lastly, he delivered flowers for a local business to all schools on opening day and commented on how friendly everyone was.
Mr. Seeley	Mr. Seeley reported that he heard very positive feedback from the parents and additional positive comments on all of the work done on the athletic fields over the summer.
Dr. Steckley	Dr. Steckley reported that she met with Dake Principal Mr. Schrage and toured Dake. Dr. Steckley also commented that her seventh grader had a smooth transition to junior high school. Lastly, Dr. Steckley is planning to meet with the TLC Director soon.
Mr. Vay	Mr. Vay reported that he is planning to schedule a meeting with Mr. Lauf soon.
Mr. Crane	Mr. Crane reported that the Superintendent's Leadership Initiative group will meet on September 17 where Wilma Campbell will present "I'm Not a Racist, Am I?" Students and two adults will be trained as facilitators for this program. They will then bring their training back to school to lead discussions. Mr. Crane also reported that MCSBA Executive Director Sherry Johnson, BOCES I District Superintendent Dan White and Board President Bob Dickson would like to attend one of our Board meetings to talk about the services they can provide.

Review of Board Study Sessions and Future Meetings

Business Meeting	Thursday, September 17, 2015	7:00 p.m.	Dake/ New Teacher Recognition
Study Session	Thursday, October 1, 2015	7:00 p.m.	District Office

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Mr. Seeley with a second by Dr. Steckley the Board adjourned into Executive Session at 8:49 p.m. to discuss WITA negotiations and the employment history of a particular person(s).

**Motion Carried: 5-0-0**

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:39 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9:40 p.m. following a motion by Mr. Seeley with a second by Mr. Vay.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Kelly  
School District Clerk

(Copies of all above-mentioned actions are filed with the supplemental file of the minutes of the meeting.)