

WALTHAM C.C. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #185
AUGUST 17, 2011 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
North Building/Special Needs Room

Board President Jim McCabe called the Waltham Elementary School Board meeting of August 17, 2011 to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members present at the time of roll call were, Buffy Hoskins, Kathy Jereb, Eric Luce, Mike Roebuck, Jeff Whalen and Jim McCabe. Jason Depenbrock was not in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Recognize Visitors/Comments: Roger Hegland (Maintenance/Custodian), Dan Beavers (South Custodian), Rick Maltas (Substitute Custodian), Sally Grubar (Teacher), Nina Mitchell (Teacher Rep), Jennifer Smith (Teacher) and Tom Collins (News-Tribune reporter).

Approval of Consent Agenda: Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Eric Luce to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of July 20, 2011, Executive Board meeting of July 20, 2011; bills as presented in the amounts of \$206,102.21 from Education Fund, \$373,026.71 from Operations & Maintenance Fund, \$2,218.09 from the Transportation Fund, \$3,909.50 from the Municipal Retirement/Soc. Sec. Fund, \$850.52 from the TORT Fund, for a total of \$586,107.03; and the Treasurer's Report. Buffy Hoskins – yea, Kathy Jereb – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Michael Roebuck – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Reports from Superintendent Robert Abney were heard on the following along with the review of Board Packet inclusions.

1. Board Salute – Summer Maintenance Crew
2. Facilities – Mr. Hegland reported: The North bleachers were condemned on their last inspection, he is looking into options; both buildings are ready to go; and the Jr. High lockers were installed.
3. Enrollment – District enrollment is down 20 students from the end of the last school year.
4. Budget Review FY12 – Mr. Abney gave an overview of the tentative FY12 Budget
5. Board Retreat – Meeting to be held on November 10th, 6 pm at Mr. McCabe's residence.
6. IASB Starved Rock Division Fall Dinner Meeting – Please let Mrs. Hewitt know if you will be attending.
7. Principals' Report – Mr. Olson reported: The first day of school had a Kick-Off Assembly; Mr. Abney's Algebra class has started and more students would like to sign up; the District website is up and running; there was Teacher Ease training for the teachers and there was a Discovery Education Think Link workshop which the Deer Park staff joined us for.

Executive Session: None

Unfinished Business: None

Approve Tentative FY12 Budget: Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Buffy Hoskins the FY12 tentative budget is approved as presented and placed on view at the District Office until the Budget Hearing on September 28, 2011 at 5:45 p.m. Buffy Hoskins – yea, Kathy Jereb – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Michael Roebuck – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Set Budget Hearing: Buffy Hoskins moved, seconded by Kathy Jereb to set the Budget Hearing for Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 5:45 p.m. at the North Building. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Approve Board Retreat: Buffy Hoskins moved, seconded by Kathy Jereb to set the Board Retreat on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at 6 pm at Jim McCabe's residence. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Approval of Salary Allocation: Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Eric Luce to approve \$1,700 of Principal Mike Olson's contracted salary be allocated as the Athletic Director portion of his salary. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Approve Employment to Full-Time: Buffy Hoskins moved, seconded by Jeff Whalen to approve increasing Kathy Schultz (Art Teacher) from 4/5ths time to Full-Time. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Approve Technology Lease Agreement: Eric Luce moved, seconded by Jeff Whalen to approve three-year lease/purchase of new laptop computers, Elmo's and Smart Boards for a total cost of \$67,574.16. Three-year lease will be paid from leasing levy and education fund to the Community Bank of Utica (part of LaSalle State Bank) with a three year loan at a 4.0% interest rate. Buffy Hoskins – yea, Kathy Jereb – yea, Eric Luce – yea, Jim McCabe – yea, Michael Roebuck – yea, and Jeff Whalen – yea. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Employment: Jeff Whalen, seconded by Kathy Jereb to employ Mrs. Denise Golgin as Cheerleading Coach for the 2011-2012 School year with salary as per Appendix B of the contract. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Buffy Hoskins to employ Mr. Jim McCabe as volunteer Bowling Coach for the 2011-2012 school year at no cost to the District. Motion carried with 5 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention (Mr. McCabe abstained from voting.)

Other:

Adjournment: Jeff Whalen moved, seconded by Buffy Hoskins to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with 6 yeas, and 0 nays. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan J. Hewitt
Board Secretary

James P. McCabe
Board President