

**North Warren Central School District
Public Hearing and
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
North Warren Central School
October 21, 2019**

Mr. Maday called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

School Board Members Present: Buckman, Erickson, Freebern, Hill, LaGuerre, Maday, Swan

School Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Michele G. French, Superintendent; Mary Lou Carstensen, Business Manager; Judith G. McAvey, District Clerk, Theresa Middleton, Interim Elementary Principal; Caleb Martin, Jr./Sr. Principal.

Public Hearing began at 6:31 PM.

Mrs. French reviewed the update to the Districtwide Safety Plan. SRO duties and responsibilities were added. The district will post a public comment period for 30 days and approve at the November meeting.

Regular Meeting began at 6:40.

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve the agenda changes.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. Hill to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2019 Regular meeting of the Board of Education.
Motion carried unanimously.

9/16/19
Minutes
Approved

The Mentors introduced the new North Warren teachers.

Karl Griffith, Architect, reports they are developing the plans and specs for the capital project. The baseball field had been surveyed and the landscape architects are finishing their plans. The elevator project had changes; a smaller elevator will be used so the district will not lose the equipment storage room. A joist beam must be added and the IT closet will be air-conditioned. The project should be submitted to SED by the end of the month.

Mark Carpenter, Carpenter Insuring presented options for cyber insurance coverage for the district. Mr. Carpenter also made suggestions for the current policy. The Board made the insurance decisions and Mr. Carpenter will meet with Mrs. Carstensen to finalize.

Brenda and Ron Stevens discussed a transportation concern they have with their daughters attending the ECCA program at SUNY Adirondack. One of their daughters is missing 10 minutes per day of Calculus and the Stevens' are seeking the Board's assistance in having the students leave after 3rd period. Mrs. Stevens reports she does not want to have the girls drive in the winter but is willing to accept the 3:10 PM arrival time back at North Warren. Mrs. French explained the transportation to Queensbury, the students must leave class early to leave in time to drop off other students on the way and arrive in their program on time. The Board stated they would discuss this matter and send a reply.

Warrant
Approved

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve warrants 13 and 15.

Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's
Reports
Accepted

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mr. Erickson to accept Treasurer's Reports for September 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Status
Accepted

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Erickson to accept the Budget Status Report.

Motion carried unanimously.

The September Food Service Report was reviewed. Mr. Scroggins shared information that will be provided to parents explaining meal choices.

IEP's Accepted

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to accept the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education for students 7121, 6902, 6865, 6179, 6973, 4961.

Motion carried unanimously.

Policy 7511
Adopted

Motion by Mr. Erickson, Mr. Freebern to accept the second reading and adopt Board of Education Policy 7511 Immunization of Students.

Motion carried unanimously.

Senior Trip
Approved

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Erickson to approve the Class of 2020 senior trip to Florida.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Davis
Appointed Class
Advisor

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. Swan to appoint Ellen Davis as a Class Advisor for the Class of 2023.

Motion carried unanimously.

Yearbook Ad
purchase
approved

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the purchase of a 1/2-page yearbook ad in the amount of \$140.

Motion carried unanimously.

R. Gamble
Appointed Bus
Driver

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Freebern that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Rebecca Gamble as Bus Driver effective October 21, 2019. This is a part-time 3-hour per day, 180 day per year position. Mrs. Gamble will be appointed on Step 1 of the CSEA contract.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Erickson to appoint Michele French as Data Protection Officer.

M. French
appointed Data
Protection
Officer

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Freebern to increase the tutoring rate to \$30.00 per hour.

Tutoring Rate
increased

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve a leave for Laura Donohue effective November 19, 2019 for a 2-month period.

L. Donohue
Leave
approved

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Buckman to accept a donation from First Baptist Church Thrift Shoppe in the amount of \$500.

Donation
Accepted

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Hill, seconded by Mrs. Swan to approve establishing a scholarship fund in the name of Joe Turcotte.

Turcotte
Scholarship
Established

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. Swan to accept the Internal Auditors Report for the period of July – September 2019.

Internal
Auditors
Report
Accepted

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Buckman to approve the Winter Walking Agreement with the Town of Chester.

Winter
Walking
Agreement
Approved

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mr. Erickson to accept the RFP from a Limited Hazardous Materials Survey and Testing Services for the capital program from Spectrum Environmental in the amount of \$2,407.

RFP Approved

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Buckman to appoint Josh Gifford as Modified Boys Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 season.

J. Gifford
Appointed
Modified BB
Coach

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. French reports the interviews with the Board for Business Official and PreK-6 Principal will be Thursday October 24. The Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be November 16.

Mrs. Carstensen reports Child Nutrition will be auditing the food service program in November. We are hoping to get some direction from them regarding the new free lunch program.

Mr. Martin reports Ryan Hill and Jack Jennings have attained Eagle Scout status in Boy Scouts. Vaping in school is down from last year and there have been suspensions from transportation and school. The new PE grading system was reviewed.

Mrs. Middleton reported on the Young Scholars program curriculum and the fire prevention program.

Mrs. Rising reported upcoming PTO programs; the Boo Bash is 10/26 from 3-5, Book Fair is starting November 7; a Blood Drive is November 13 at Chester Firehouse. Mrs. Rising reports she is disappointed with the fire prevention program this year and would like to see it better coordinated next year to allow all children enough time at the program.

Mrs. Rising stated she feels that nothing has changed in the sports program and her son who goes to all practices and games played a total of 4 minutes during soccer season. She reports the coaches told her she signed a paper acknowledging playing time a varsity is dependent on ability. Coaches also told her that varsity is about winning and she asked why parents are allowed to coach their own children.

The next Board of Education meeting will be November 18, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Buckman to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:20 PM to discuss the employment history of a particular person.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Buckman to come out of Executive Session at 9:02 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Swan, seconded by Mr. Freebern to adjourn at 9:03 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

District Clerk