

JOHNSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL
Monday, February 8, 2016
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Minutes

Board Members Present: W Conner
R DeGroat
C Jay
M Richards
T Ordway
E Morris

Board Members Absent: T Sears

Call to Order W Conner called the meeting to order at 7:07 with the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes T Ordway made a MOTION to approve the minutes of January 25, 2016, Regular Board of Education Meeting, seconded by C Jay and carried.

Agenda Changes ADD: MOTION to approve the 2016-17 School Calendar
 MOTION to approve use of bldg. by Mountain View Community Church
 for Easter egg hunt.

Appointment M Markwica stated that interviews were done last week for Mechanic Helper. There were five applicants. This is a 12 month position. It includes the 19A certification paperwork with no additional stipend.
M Richards made a MOTION to appoint Jessie Bennett as Mechanic Helper at \$14.75 an hour effective February 22, 2015, seconded by E Morris, opposed by T Ordway and carried.

Energy Audit M Markwica stated that he spoke with the company and more information is needed.

Committee Reports Curriculum Committee: D Kearney stated the committee met tonight and finalized the cracker barrel. People were assigned to specific tables. The survey question is on alternative energy.
R DeGroat stated her committee on the website met twice. Discussed what we wanted and if we don't like it we can take it down.

Smartschool money: Discussed what the teachers saw as needs for future technology. High School would be looking for chromebooks 1 to 1. I-pads for elementary a few for each classroom. Need more input from elementary teachers. Need charging stations. Ask specials what they would be interested in. The thought would be to leave them in school. M Markwica stated some students don't have computers at home and they could request to take one home.

W Conner suggested the value of ASP be put on the cracker barrel questionnaire.

Finance Committee: Executive session is to review the proposal for teacher's contract. Looked at budget. It is looking ok, close to cap number. We intend to start support staff negotiations soon.

2016-2017 Calendar	5 snow days. If we don't use them, school remains open for classes. W Conner made a MOTION to accept the 2016-2017 school calendar, seconded by M Richards and carried.
Building Use	M Markwica stated he received a letter from Rev Koonce asking that the Mt View Community Church be able to use the school building for an Easter egg hunt if unable to use the Ski Bowl. They provide insurance. W Conner made a MOTION to allow Mt. View Community Church use the school bldg. if needed for an Easter egg hunt, seconded by T Ordway and carried.
Update Report	Voting Machines. We said we would do a paper ballot. M Markwica received a call from the county to listen to the possibility of using county machines. He will meet with them tomorrow.
	M Markwica did contact Brad Batekio re: mentoring program. It is not academic. It would be social/emotional issues. There is training for volunteers. Grades 3-5. Meet an hour a week. They hope to start next fall if the Board would like to move forward with this program.
Executive Session	W Conner made a MOTION to go into executive session at 8:00 to discuss the teacher's contract, seconded by T Ordway and carried.
Return to BOE Mtg	W Conner made a MOTION to return at 8:15 to the regular Board of Education meeting, seconded by C Jay and carried.
Concern	E Morris brought up that some members of the BOE are talking about other members of the board in public in a not nice way. W Conner stated maybe this could be discussed in Executive session.
Award	C Jay was presented with a Mastery Award from NYSSBA.
Teacher's Contract	Negotiations on the teacher's contract were discussed. Committee recommends adoption. It was presented and reviewed by the Board of Education. C Jay made a MOTION to adopt the teacher's contract, seconded by T Ordway and carried.
Executive Session	W Conner made a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:22(no action expected), seconded by T Ordway and carried.
Adjournment	W. Conner made a MOTION to return to the regular Board of Education meeting and adjourn at 9:00, seconded by E. Morris and carried.