

JOHNSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL
Monday, February 11, 2019
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Minutes

Board Members Present: Rachel DeGroat
Chris Jay
Tom Ordway
Tara Sears
Sarah Williams

Board Members Absent: William Conner
Erwin Morris

Call to Order: Rachel DeGroat opened the meeting at 7:04 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: Chris Jay made a **Motion** to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2019, Board of Education Meeting, Seconded by Tara Sears and carried.

CSE/CPSE/504: Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to accept the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE/504 meetings, seconded by Chris Jay and carried.

Agenda Change: Rachael DeGroat added Item O, Archery Club Advisor.
Michael Markwica added Item P. Volunteers for Archery Club.

Financial: Tom Ordway questioned the service we are receiving from Ace Carting (refuge pick-up). Michael Markwica replied that it was unreliable but has gotten better. Sarah Williams asked about Casella Waste Disposal. Mr. Markwica said they looked into it but they would not pick up recyclables and pick up time was not conducive to the playground being available for trucks.
Mr. Markwica did say he would call and look into this again to see if it is a viable option and report back to the Board.
Tom Ordway ask about three additional checks: #38217; He wanted to know what was in the drum that was Removed. Mike Markwica replied that it was waste from the boiler room.
Check #38228. Mr. Ordway wanted to know what the reason for this check was. Mr. Markwica answered that it was material to replace the damaged staircase. Check # 38267.
Mr. Ordway wanted to know which vehicle had its transmission repaired. Larry Ringer responded that it was the pickup truck. Check 3 38288. Mr. Ordway wanted to know why

Mr. Markwica's mileage check was at the amount written. Mr. Markwica responded that this was a cumulative check since July 1, 2018.

**Discussion/Motions:
Athletic Merger:**

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to approve an athletic merger for Cross Country Running with Minerva Central School and North Warren Central School for the 2019-2020 school year, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to approve an athletic merger for Golf with Minerva Central School and North Warren Central School for the 2019-2020 school year, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried. Mike Markwica explained that we made a similar **MOTION** earlier in the year but with our 2019 Sports Merger with Minerva, we need to revote both **MOTIONS**.

Sarah Williams made a **MOTION** to appoint Phil Goodman as Modified Softball Coach for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Tara Sears and carried.

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to appoint Bruce McGinn as Varsity Softball Coach for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Sarah Williams made a **MOTION** to appoint Gene Maiorana as Modified Baseball Coach for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Chris Jay and carried. Tara Sears asked if Mr. Maiorana was going to have an assistant coach. Both administrators explained they have asked and at this time there is nothing definite. Mike Markwica also reported that modified levels in both softball and baseball will not begin until May 14, 2019.

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to appoint Ryan Carpenter as Varsity Baseball Coach for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to appoint Joe and Ronda Morris as Co-Tennis Club Coaches for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to appoint Jill Hodgson and Shannon Stone as Elementary Nordic Ski Coaches for the 2018-2019 school year, splitting the \$600.00 stipend, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried. Tom Ordway

asked if our equipment will fit the elementary students. Michael Markwica explained that we will use the Town of Johnsbury equipment for this.

Sarah Williams made a **MOTION** to accept Janelle Turcotte's request for maternity leave to begin approximately April 15, 2019, and to return to her position at the start of the 2019-2020 school year, seconded by Tara Sears and carried.

Sarah Williams made a **MOTION** to accept Rachael Brower's request for maternity leave to begin at the end of April 2019, and to return to her position at the start of the 2019-2020 school year, seconded by Chris Jay and carried.

Sarah Williams made a **MOTION** to approve the 2019-2020 Johnsbury Central School District Calendar, seconded by Tara Sears and carried. Mike Markwica explained that we need to follow the BOCES' calendar due to our student's participation in their programs.

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to appoint Mike Sharp as the Grade 4-8 Archery Club Advisor at a prorated stipend of \$624 for the 2018 - 2019 school year, seconded by Tom Ordway and carried.

Chris Jay made a **MOTION** to approve Dee Sharp and Erika Patton as Volunteer Assistant Advisors for the Archery Club for the 2018-2019 school year, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Mike Markwica requested that all volunteers need some type of student behavior training. Mr. Markwica asked Heather Flanagan if she could research whether or not the state requires volunteers to receive DASA training. She will report her findings back to the Board.

Policy:

Rachel DeGroat presented the first reading of the Non-Instructional Curricular Fund (Policy # 5520) as well as The first reading of the Students' Fund-Raising by Students (Policy #7450)

Vaping:

Heather Flanagan presented a PowerPoint presentation on Vaping. She stated that she held a school assembly for all students in grades 7-12. She also presented this presentation to all faculty and Teaching Assistants/Aides and would like to present to parents as well.

**Committee
Reports:**

Policy: Johnsburg Central School Operating Procedure Team Development Handbook sections 18-24 were distributed. Larry Ringer stated the committee priced out the possibility to have our policies electronically updated online. More information to follow.

Wall of Fame: The Committee has chosen the following Individuals for this year's Wall of Fame:

Class of 1956: Tom Pierson

Class of 1963: Francis Smith

Class of 1974: Andre Poulin

Class of 1989: Kenny Warrington

Class of 2007: Jamie Fuller

Community Member: Kate Hartley

Finance: Rachael DeGroat reported that the committee is going over budget information. The budget will be finalized In March.

Safety: Rachael DeGroat spoke of creating a five-year plan with Day Automation adding classroom door swipes and more Security cameras. The committee is also working on creating a Hotline for students to access.

Sports Merger: Tara Sears reported the committee met with Minerva Central School's committee and discussed uniforms and budgets. She said it was a good first meeting.

Updates:

Skills Gap Video: Rachel DeGroat and Michael Markwica presented a short video on the WSWHE BOCES Skills Gap. They spoke on the success and the future possibilities that BOCES programs can offer our Johnsburg Central School students. We are looking into partnering with Barton Mines and BOCES for potential internships for our students.

Hoodies: Mike Markwica stated wearing hoodies is not a policy. The hat procedure is located in the Student Handbook there is no mention of hoodies at this time. Heather Flanagan and Mike Markwica will present the new procedure at the next Board of Education Meeting.

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Tom Ordway spoke of traveling to Lake Placid to witness

Khaleah Cleveland score 1000 points in basketball. Heather

Flanagan reported that Khaleah will be acknowledged at the Senior Game this week.

Visitor Comments:

A member of the audience asked if Johnsbury Central school And Minerva Central School were going to operate on a 50/50 Split for practice and game venues. Michael Markwica replied yes. He then asked if that was fair if our numbers were larger than Minerva. Mr. Markwica replied that the agreement is for an even split. The gentleman then asked how much money was added to cover this merger. Mr. Markwica replied \$10,000 was added to the athletic budget. The same guest also asked the cost for the district to send a student to BOCES and what is our limit. Mr. Markwica replied for a half-day program, it costs \$12,090 per student and we send any student who asks to attend.

His next question was regarding “shop”. We provide 7th and 8th graders the NYS requirement for Technology while also offering a few electives to the high school students with a half Day teacher.

He also wanted to thank Mrs. Flanagan on her presentation on vaping

Adjournment:

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to adjourn at 8:33 seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.