

October 16, 2017

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING –October 16, 2017
Moses-DeWitt Elementary School**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Brown
Dr. Corcoran
Mrs. Murphy
Mrs. Petrosillo
Mr. Schulman
Mrs. Tyson
Mr. Van Schaick
Mrs. Woodcock Dettor

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mrs. Kielbasinski

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Dr. Kendrick, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Decker, School Business Administrator
Dr. Smith, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Schulman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m in the cafeteria of the Moses-DeWitt Elementary School. Others in attendance were Ann Wright, Michael Fitzpatrick, Jodi Schwedes, Mark Ciaralli(Grossman St. Amour), Jaimie Galante (Grossman St. Amour), Haley Morgan, Allie Bergman, Caroline Opalenick, Madeline Sullivan, Niki Jiang, Sarah Pritts, Grace Vander Molen, Celia Reistrom, Amy Dolloff, Logan Dolloff, Emma Prosak, Will Upton, Rachel Setek, Kate Foraker, Jordan Anderson, Alexandra Bowe, Melissa Vahey and David Nylen

Presentation – Moses-DeWitt Elementary School

Mrs. Mary Sylvester, Principal of Moses-DeWitt Elementary School welcomed the Board and thanked everyone for coming. She reported on the goals for Moses-DeWitt which include goals in writing and technology. Teachers have been working together to create documents through Google Docs to increase communication concerning what is happening in individual classrooms. Mrs. Sylvester updated the Board on technology use in specific grade levels and spoke about the Character Education program at Moses-DeWitt, “SWAG”, which highlights the themes of strength, willingness, attitude and greatness and how these character education themes are integrated into the classrooms and throughout the school.

Presentation – 2016/2017 External Audit Report – Grossman St. Amour

Mr. Mark Ciaralli, CPA and Jaimie Galante, CPA, from Grossman St. Amour shared the results from the external audit they performed with the Board. (See Supplemental Minutes). Mr. Ciaralli reviewed the specific statements provided to the District following the completion of the audit. In the auditor’s opinion, the financial statements of the Jamesville DeWitt Central School District are fairly presented and in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards. The auditor’s presented their two recommendations to the Board. The Board accepted the report and thanked the auditors and district administration.

Community Comment

Mr. Schulman asked if there were any community comments regarding the items on the agenda; there were none.

Minutes of September 25, 2017 Board Meeting

Mrs. Murphy moved, Mrs. Tyson seconded, approval of the minutes of the September 25, 2107 Board of Education meeting.

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Motion carried (8-0-0).

Warrants and Expense Reports

Mr. Van Schaick reviewed the warrants and expense reports and moved their acceptance, seconded by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

Recommendations of the CPSE and CSE

Mrs. Murphy moved, Dr. Corcoran seconded acceptance of the recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education from their meetings October 4, 2017 and the Committee on Special Education from their meetings on September 22, 26, 27, 28,29, October 3 and 4, 2017.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

Superintendent’s Personnel Recommendations

Dr. Corcoran moved and Mr. Brown seconded approval of the following personnel changes as recommended by the Superintendent:

INSTRUCTIONAL

Extra duty assignments/extended teaching 2017-2018

Coaching – Winter Season

Name	Assignment	Stipend
Scott Gantos	Volunteer Varsity Girls Basketball	
Rick Jasinski	Modified Girls Basketball	
William Leberman	Asst. Varsity Indoor Track and Field	
Juan Martinez	Asst. Varsity Indoor Track and Field	
William O’Keefe	Head JV Girls Basketball	

NONINSTRUCTIONAL

Name and position	Location	<u>Appointments</u>		Effective
		Salary		
Eamonn O’Neill Lifeguard Probationary Appt. Replacing B. Bewley	Middle School			10/17/17
Matthew Kenyon Custodial Worker 1 Probationary Appt. Replacing P. Lang	Moses DeWitt			10/30/17
Deuretta Warner Custodial Worker II Probationary Appt. Replacing E. Kaufman	High School			10/17/17

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Name and position	Location	<u>Retirement</u>	Effective
Michael Franco 10/30/17 Auto Mechanic Helper	Transportation		

Motion carried (8-0-0).

High School Field Trip

Mr. Van Schaick moved, Mrs. Susan Petrosillo seconded approval for students in the MUN Club to travel to Hilton High School in Hilton, NY on 11/3/17 and return on 11/4/17 for a conference and for students in the Music Department to travel to Boston, MA on 4/3/18 and return on 4/5/18 to prepare and perform at the “Festival of Music” competition.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

External Audit Report

Mr. Brown moved, Mrs. Tyson seconded acceptance of the External Audit report.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

District Reserves 2017-2018

Mr. Decker provided the Board with a history of the reserves and the projected fund balance. (See Supplemental Minutes.) Dr. Kendrick reviewed the information provided. The projected fund balance reflects an increase in total reserves from last year to this year, bringing total reserves to \$8,835,452.

Mrs. Petrosillo moved and Mr. Van Schaick seconded approval of the District Reserves as recommended.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

Approve Request to Close Inactive Student Activity Accounts

Mr. Brown moved and Mrs. Murphy seconded approval to Close the following Inactive Student Activity Accounts and distribute remaining balance to the Student Government Account: Ambassadors, Step Club, DECA, Stand Up for Cancer.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

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New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium (NYSMEC)

Mrs. Murphy moved, Mrs. Tyson seconded approval of the following Resolutions:

(Electricity Resolution)

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term “municipal corporation” for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

WHEREAS, Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District is a “municipal corporation” as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May, 2005 (the “Agreement”), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium (“NYSMEC”) upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the Jamesville-DeWitt CSD to participate in the NYSMEC, authorizes and directs Alice Kendrick, Superintendent of Schools, to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for **electricity** on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of **electricity** delivered to the delivery point of the local utility distribution company for the Participant’s facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity **electricity** not to exceed \$.1048 (dollars) per kWh for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2018 and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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(Natural Gas Resolution)

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term “municipal corporation” for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of **natural gas** to be delivered to the city gate of the local utility distribution company for the Participant’s facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity **natural gas** not to exceed \$1.134 (dollars) per therm for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2018 and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

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Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kendrick reported that our 8th grade Science Team will be presenting at a regional science conference in November. They will be demonstrating a science lesson live to J-D students who volunteered to participate. She also commented on the participation of several of our first and second grade teachers in a grant program to “pilot” new science curriculum materials to provide feedback to the creators. The district is very fortunate to have teachers who are willing to take the risk and participate in these science leadership events. Dr. Kendrick shared the enrollment numbers that were recorded on BEDS day, October 4, 2017 (see Supplemental Minutes) and reminded the Board of upcoming events.

Board President's Report

Mr. Schulman shared with the Board a special program being offered by CNYSBA, Exploring the Mental Health Crisis in Education. Mrs. Petrosillo shared that she had attended previously and that it was a fantastic program with great resources and ideas.

Community Comment

Mr. Schulman asked for community comments; there were none.

Unfinished and Continuing Business

There was no Unfinished and Continuing Business to report.

At 8:12 p.m., Mrs. Murphy moved, Mrs. Tyson seconded, the meeting be adjourned to executive session.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

At 8:50 p.m., Mr. Brown moved, Dr. Corcoran seconded executive session be adjourned.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

Mrs. Murphy moved, Mr. Van Schaick seconded the following resolution:

**JAMESVILLE-DEWITT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
In the Matter of Section 75 of the Civil Service Law
Charges Against**

(Patricia Ansley)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District hereby directs Dr. Alice Kendrick, Superintendent of Schools, to file the charges, a copy of which is appended to this resolution, in the above matter.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District hereby appoints Alfred Riccio, to serve as a Section 75 Civil Service Law Hearing Officer to conduct proceedings regarding Patricia Ansley for a hearing to commence on or after October 30, 2017 at the Hearing Officer's usual and customary fee for services rendered in this matter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said hearing officer shall cause a transcript of said proceeding to be made, receive testimony, exhibits and argument and make findings of fact with respect to guilt or innocence upon the charges. The hearing officer shall further issue a written report to the Board of Education regarding the findings of fact and penalty recommendation, if any.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

At 8:53 p.m. Mrs. Petrosillo moved, Mrs. Murphy seconded, the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried (8-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Decker
Clerk of the Board

Board Approved 11/6/17