

Heuvelton, NY 13654

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Heuvelton Central School District was held in the Multi-Media Room on Wednesday evening, March 27, 2013. The Meeting was called to order by Vice President John Zeh at 7:34 p.m.

Members present: Dr. John Zeh, Vice President, Keith Carmany, Dennis Durant, Andrew Martin, Michelle McGaw and Thomas Nichols

Members absent: Michael Davis, President

Also present: Susan Todd, Superintendent, Michael Warden, MS/HS Principal, Cynthia Belleau, Elementary Principal/CSE Chairperson, Michael Robinson, Business Manager and Tessa Herron, District Clerk

Guests: S. Ewert, S. Murdock, S. Johnston, A. Weakfall, J. Riordan, D. Backus, M. Moses, D. Whalen, J. Whalen, and A. Christman

- 12-123 Motion #1 To adopt the proposed agenda.
Adopt proposed agenda Moved: Martin Seconded: Durant
Five present, five ayes. Carried
- 12-124 Public Forum No one from the public addressed the Board at this time.
- 12-125 Motion # 2 To accept the recommendations on the consent agenda for the March 27, 2013 meeting which included:
Adopt consent agenda
- To accept the resolution that the Board of Education of the Heuvelton Central School District is hereby authorized to purchase one 56 passenger school bus not to exceed \$120,000 to be financed if approved by the qualified voters of the Heuvelton Central School District at the annual meeting held May 21, 2013.
 - To approve the following unused emergency (snow) days if no other emergency days are needed prior to June 21, 2013 and establish scheduled days for last week of school:
 - Move June 24, 2013 Staff Development Day to May 23, 2013: no school for students
 - Friday, May 24, 2013: no school for students and staff
 - Last week of school:
 - June 17-19 – full days
 - June 20th – Early dismissal for K-6 grade at 11:15 a.m. full day for Faculty & Staff
 - June 21st – Early dismissal at 11:15 a.m. for staff
 - To approve arranging for the appropriate programs and services for District Students with disabilities as previously approved by the District's Committee on Special Education and the District's Preschool Committee on Special Education.
 - To approve the 2013-2014 St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES School calendar.
 - To approve the minutes of the February 27, 2013, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.
 - To approve the minutes of the March 13, 2013, Special Meeting of the Board of Education.
 - To accept the Financial Reports for the period ending February 28, 2013.
 - To authorize the Superintendent to sign the list of Budget Transfers for the period ending February 28, 2013.
 - To accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending February 28, 2013.
 - To accept the Warrants for the period ending February 28, 2013 as previously approved by the Claims Auditor.
- Moved: Martin Seconded: Carmany
Six present, six ayes. Carried
- 12-126 Presentation Special Presentation: Recognition of Middle School students: Cyral Burton, Dominic Griffin and Jordan Fisher for their 1st place win in the North Country Jr. Iron Chef Competition. The students along with Mrs. Hebert provided the Board with The Central Valley Harvest Bake that they prepared at the competition.
- 12-127 Motion # 3 To approve the following tenure appointments:
Personnel
- Jenelle Riordan in the Teaching Assistant tenure area effective April 13, 2013
 - Matthew Moses in the Teaching Assistant tenure area effective May 28, 2013
 - Austin Weakfall in the 7-12 Social Studies tenure area effective August 31, 2013
- Moved: Durant Seconded: Nichols
Six present, six ayes. Carried
- 12-128 Information Discussion was held on the third draft of the 2013-2014 Heuvelton Central School District working budget. Mr. Nichols stated he would like to see a 3% tax levy increase. Mr. Nichols stated that he feels this is sending a message to voters that we are trying to keep it low and will put us in a strong position for next year's budget. Mr. Martin stated he felt 3% would be a good number. Dr. Zeh expressed he felt the tax levy should be increased to 3.75%. Mr. Durant agreed with the 3.75% increase and Mr. Carmany did as well. Mrs. McGaw suggested a compromise. It was decided that the tax levy increase would be 3.35%.
Budget
- 12-129 Motion # 4 To approve the 2013-2014 Heuvelton Central School District Proposed budget of \$12,505,836 with a tax levy increase of 3.35%.
2013-2014 Budget
Moved: Nichols Seconded: Martin
Six present, six ayes. Carried

12-130 Motion # 5 To approve the 2013-2014 BOCES Final Service Request form.
 New Business Moved: Nichols Seconded: Martin
 Six present, six ayes. Carried

12-131 Administrative/Board Reports
 Mrs. Belleau discussed with the Board the following:

- Read Across America week took place
- All teachers were out for regional training on March 15th for Staff Development Day.
- The PUPS program has finished up for the year. 16 students participated this year.

Mr. Warden discussed with the Board the following:

- 8th grade orientation took place on March 6th.
- The winter sports banquet took place on March 7th.
- Recently met with classes to review rules and expectations
- Woody Guthrie presenter came in on March 20th.
- Attended a conference put on by Utica National on the recent legal trends with cyberbullying
- GATEWAYS was today at SUNY Canton. A lot of compliments were received from other schools on our students behavior and dress
- There was a senior trip meeting this evening. The class will leave on March 31st.

Mrs. Todd discussed with the Board the following:

- The former owners of the Dodge property will be having an auction on April 13th. The closing will be on April 19th.
- The North Country Symposium will be on April 15th. Mr. Burns, Mr. Todd and Dr. Martin will be having a panel discussion.

Mr. Nichols informed the Board that the Heuvelton Junior Chorus is going to be participating in Showtime. He expressed how impressed he was with the interest in being involved with this charitable outreach program. Mr. Nichols stated that he is pleased to see the numbers of students interested in band is doubling.

12-132 Public Forum No one from the public addressed the Board at this time.

12-133 Motion # 6 To approve convening an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing collective negotiations pursuant to article 14 of the
 Convene Executive Session Civil Service Law and the purpose of discussing employment of a particular individual and appoint Susan Todd as Clerk Pro-Tem.
 Moved: Durant Seconded: Martin
 Six present, six ayes. Carried

Executive Session convened at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Tessa E. Herron
 Tessa E. Herron
 District Clerk

12-134 Motion # 7 To approve ending Executive Session at 9:10 p.m.
 End Executive Session Moved: Durant Seconded: Martin
 Six present, six ayes. Carried

Executive Session ended at 9:10 p.m.

12-135 Motion # 8 To approve adjourning the meeting at 9:12 p.m.
 Adjournment Moved: Martin Seconded: Nichols
 Six present, six ayes. Carried

Respectfully Submitted

Susan E. Todd
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 Clerk Pro-Tem