

# Woodford Town School District

## Board of Directors

### *Minutes of the Meeting of December 7, 2016*

Attending: Mark Tilley, Richard (Dick) Frantz, Mike Gahan, Sandra Foster, Renee Gordon, and Wendy Pierce

**Called to order:** 3:07

**Public Comments:** None

**Financial:** Wendy started the meeting about the special education budget with handouts that were "Preliminary Run". We have 2 incoming students with special education needs and there will be some increases.

A computer is being looked into. Also there is a need for a contracted speech pathologist.

**FY18 Budget:** All positions have been pre-filled and will continue.

There will be some shifting of some descriptors to headings for correct reporting to the state.

A significant shift in health is expected. VEHI says plans should be more in line with the law. Waiting for finalized reports. An analysis will be done for putting the budget together.

Transportation RFP going out to bid.

**Budget meeting planned for 3:30 Thursday, January 5, 2017 at Central Office.**

**Treasurer's report:** Dick moves to accept Treasurer's report dated, October 31, 2016. Seconded by Mike. Aye vote unanimous.

### **Consent Agenda:**

Dick moves to accept minutes of last meeting. Seconded by Mike. Aye vote unanimous.

Field trip to Natures Classroom requested. Dick moves to approve. Seconded by Mike. Aye vote unanimous.

Dick moves to Warn #4003- Bully Prevention-adults. Seconded by Mike. Aye vote unanimous.

Dick moves to Warn #5005- Child abuse and neglect. Seconded by Mike. Aye vote unanimous.

Dick moves to Warn #6400- Optimum class size. Seconded by Mike. Aye vote unanimous.

### **Facility Update:**

Air quality testing due to old lighting between 1950-1978 recommended but ours has been replaced later and should be fine.

A follow up with 911 has corrected our location issue.

Generator battery change to be done.

Principals Report: Attendance at 95%

Pancake breakfast was fun.

Students donated a quilt they made to Bennington Museum fundraiser. Congratulations to one of our teachers'. Her quilt was accepted for print in the book "Lion King". Way cool!

Students going to a "Charlie Brown Christmas on December 15 in Saratoga at HMT Theater, and the Winter Concert is planned for December 16, 2016 at the town hall.

Tree trim for animals will be on PE day.

Food Service Committee update:

Mike reports-

Some concern was raised about sanitary conditions after an after school program in the cafeteria that features animals in another school in our district. Currently being looked into.

Posters to attempt to recruit students to the committee meetings were accepted and currently in use.

Participation rates have actually gone up and are doing quite well.

**Superintendent's Report:** (Jim was unavailable, shared by Renee)

An increase of 5 students is expected so far. Handout shows projected enrollment.

**Chairs Report:** Act 46 Committee update;

Dick reports-

Banner articles basically correct. Committee is moving forward but there is hesitation on the part of some participants in anticipation of possible law changes or updates. Articles are being updated and may soon be reviewed by legal representatives.

**Other:** Next Meeting January 4, 2017

Meeting Adjourned at 4:23 pm by general consent.

Mike Gahan- December 7, 2016