HADLEY- LUZERNE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT **BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

December 16, 2019

STUART M. TOWNSEND ES LGI 6:30 pm

MINUTES

Meeting Place: Stuart M. Townsend Elementary School, LGI

Members Present: Mr. Moulton, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Visscher, Mr. Novotarski, Mrs. Braico

Members Absent:

Others in Attendance: Superintendent – Beecher Baker, Jr./Sr. HS Principal-Burgess Ovitt, ES Principal-Jonathan Baker, Director of Special Education – Robert Mark, School Business Manager

- Michelle Taylor, SRO Officer-Christopher Eggleston and 5+ others.

CALL TO ORDER

President Moulton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CORRESPONDENCE

Letters received from HLTA and CSEA regarding negotiations were acknowledged.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

Jeff and Shannon Gray came to inform the board members that they are fundraising in Memory of their son Martin Baylies Jr. who was electrocuted this past year while working. They are having a Raffle Drawing on February 16, 2020 for a Garmin GPS for a Snowmobile and a 2 night stay on the Canadian Snowmobile Trail for 2 people and a Helmet from Edinburg Marina. 100 % of the proceeds will be donated in Martin's name to the Hadley-Luzerne School Forestry Fund offered through BOCES for students who cannot afford the safety equipment, hard hats, and steel toe boots for the program. This was the program that Martin was enrolled in.

The second fundraiser is a Memorial Snowmobile Poker Run on February 16, 2020 at the Old Trail Inn. 50% of the funds will go towards the program and 50% will go towards a trust fund for Martin's daughter Ariannah. Superintendent Baker thanked them and the Gray's thanked Mr. Baker and the school for mentoring Marty when he attended school here.

BJ Baldwin had attended school here until 6th grade then moved to Corinth because he wanted to wrestle and HL did not have wrestling at the time. He talked about his wrestling experience at Corinth. He coaches youth programs in Corinth including ice hockey and little league. He expressed his support for the combined programs. He currently has a youth lacrosse team for Corinth and Hadley-Luzerne with the colors blue and orange. He came to ask the board for some field space for the combined youth lacrosse program. Corinth provides gym time from February to April. He was directed to work with Gary Wilson on the field scheduling. The board thanked him and offered their support.

OLD BUSINESS

Board Meeting Minutes Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #100

Recommended by the Superintendent, to approve the November 18, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Mrs. Braico

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Transportation Contract Motion by Mr. Novotarski

Resolution #101

Be It Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Transportation Contract between WSWHE BOCES and HLCSD effective October 1, 2019 through May 29, 2020.

Seconded by Mrs. Hoffman

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Tech Trade Up

Motion by Mrs. Braico

Resolution #102

Be It Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Terms and Conditions between Tech Trade Up and HLCSD effective November 25, 2019.

Seconded by Mrs. Visscher

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Obsolete Books

Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #103

As recommended by the Superintendent, that the Hadley-Luzerne Board of Education declare the attached list of books located at HLCS as obsolete and authorizes the Media Specialist to properly dispose of the items in the most economic means possible.

Seconded by Mrs. Hoffman

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

2020-2021 UPK Fully Implemented Program

Motion by Mrs. Hoffman

Resolution #104

As recommended by the Superintendent-BE IT RESOLVED, by the Hadley-Luzerne Central School Board of Education to designate a Fully Implemented UPK program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said district's Universal Prekindergarten program be available to all eligible children whose parents wish to enroll them and will serve all eligible children, even if the number exceeds the maximum number of aidable UPK students. The board directs the Superintendent to assure building capacity and/or plan for how the district will accommodate all eligible children who seek enrollment, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Approval of Wrestling Merger with Lake George CSD as a Cooperative Sponsorship of an Activity in Section II Motion by Mrs. Visscher

Resolution #105

As recommended by the Superintendent-BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne School District, that the said Board approve the merger of the Varsity/JV/Modified Wrestling Programs between the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District and the Lake George Central School District under the jurisdiction of the Section II Merger Committee effective July 1, 2020.

Seconded by Mrs. Braico

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Approval of Football Merger with Lake George CSD as a Cooperative Sponsorship of an Activity in Section II Motion by Mr. Novorski

Resolution #106

As recommended by the Superintendent-BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne School District, that the said Board approve the merger of the Varsity/JV/Modified Football Programs between the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District and the Lake George Central School District under the jurisdiction of the Section II Merger Committee effective July 1, 2020.

Seconded by Mrs. Hoffman followed by a brief discussion regarding numbers.

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Saratoga County Scan Voter Machines

Motion by Mrs. Hoffman

Resolution #107

As recommended by the Superintendent-BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne School District, that the said Board approve the continued use of two optical scan voter machines for the May 19, 2020 annual vote and election as provided by Saratoga County Board of Elections and authorizes the Superintendent to execute the annual user agreement, when received.

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution #108 was rescinded - all agreed.

PERSONNEL

APPOINTMENTS-OTHER

Motion by Mrs. Hoffman

Resolution #109

As recommended by the Superintendent, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District that the following persons be granted appointment to the positions below which are reportable to Warren County Civil Service, pending clearances.

NamePositionEffectiveWageRobin MatrawSubstitute Bus Monitor12/3/2019Min Wage.Jonathan AllanSubstitute Teacher12/16/2019Per SASTA

Seconded by Mrs. Braico

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Bobbie Jo Barber

Motion by Mrs. Braico

Resolution #110

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District hereby approves the request for an unpaid leave of absence as requested by Food Service Helper, Bobbie Jo Barber, for three (3) days, January 8,9, 10, 2020 as an unpaid leave:

Pursuant to the CSEA Agreement Article XVII - Other Leave, Section 2.

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

SCHEDULE OF BILLS

Motion by Mrs. Hoffman

Resolution #111

As recommended by the Superintendent - accept warrants #20(\$127,863.48), #21(\$395,723.61), #23(\$152,505.07), #24(\$428,864.30).

Seconded by Mr. Novotarski

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Mrs. Hoffman

Resolution #112

As recommended by the Superintendent, for the board of education to accept the October 2019 District Treasurer's Report.

Seconded by Mrs. Novotarski

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Mrs. Hoffman

Resolution #113

As recommended by the Superintendent, for the board of education to accept the CSE/CPSE recommendations dated 12/16/2019.

Seconded by Mrs. Novotarski

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

2020 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Motion by Mrs. Braico

HLCS Board of Education - Resolution #114

WHEREAS, the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District strives to provide an outstanding education and post-secondary pathway for each and every student; and

WHEREAS, the District works diligently to meet the needs of all students while still fulfilling the ever increasing list of state mandates, best practices and contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, our School District's free and reduced lunch rate has increased from 48% to 50% since 2011; and

WHEREAS, the district continues to work diligently to create a balanced budget that respects the needs of area taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, property tax levy legislation at the state level has provided an increased need for State Aid to maintain quality programs; and

WHEREAS, public schools are being asked to do more for students than ever before, so they are prepared for college, military or a career; and

WHEREAS, each child in Hadley-Luzerne Central School District only has one opportunity to go through the full elementary and secondary educational experience;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District Board of Education calls on the New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo to act upon the following priorities:

- 1. Fund and Adjust the Foundation Formula
 - A. Review and Update the Foundation Amount-Currently \$6,714.00 per pupil
 - B. Provide a minimum increase of 2% in foundation aid to all school districts
 - C. Maintain the "SAVE Harmless" provision.
 - D. Adjust the weighting factor for Free and Reduced Lunch from .65 to .75-.80 to reflect large increases in this population.
- 2. Increase the \$30,000 threshold on BOCES Aid for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs by providing 100% aidability for the salaries of CTE teachers
- 3. Allow Districts to Access to the BOCES Health Safety and Risk Management Service to Offset the Costs and to Increase the Number of School Resource Officers
- 4. Support a Permanent Solution to the Small Group Health Insurance Issue
- 5. Support Efforts to Prevent the use of E-Cigarettes, including Vaping
- 6. Building Aid for Small Capital Projects
 - A. Increase the threshold for base year capital outlay expenses from the current amount, established in 2002 from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to assist districts in making critical capital improvements.

Seconded by Mrs. Hoffman

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

PUBLIC/STUDENT COMMENTS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE/BOARD COMMENTS

The PTSA was thanked for the awesome Breakfast with Santa and Holiday Shoppe. Most concerts are finished with the PK-2 concert scheduled for Thursday.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Visscher to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 PM. Seconded by Mrs. Hoffman

Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted by Regina York – District Clerk	