Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School Board of Education

**Regular Meeting** 

14 March 2018

Board Room D131

Members present at the start of the meeting were President, Jeremy Pain, Vice-President, Larry Smith, Patricia Dunham, Barbara Hill, Mark Muller and Zachary Proskine.

Member Ethan Eberly was absent.

Others present were Superintendent, Annette Hammond, District Treasurer, Dorothy Iannello, District Clerk, Amber Birdsall, Acting PK-12 Principal, Heather Wilcox and seven guests.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by President ORDER Pain, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acknowledged a thank you card from the Gilbertsville COMMUNICATIONS Fire Department for the use of our school to hold an EMT course.

POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS The Superintendent and Acting PK-12 Principal provided the following Positive Highlights: -Seussabration took place on March 5 for grades Pre-K-6. Students participated in BINGO, STEAM projects making obleck, and were read a Dr. Seuss book, cookie decorating, painting, and computer fun. -The Pops Concert for students in grades 5-12 was well attended. -Congratulations to Timothy Picozzi who was announced our 2018 Valedictorian and to Michael O'Connor who is our 2018 Salutatorian. -Parent/Teacher Conferences took place on March 8. -Staff participated in a training on trauma and self-care on the Staff Development Day on March 9. -Students participated in our annual All-County Festival on March 1st. Unfortunately, the festival was cancelled on

Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> due to weather. -Varsity spring sports have begun. Unfortunately, there is not enough students for a girls or boys modified softball or baseball team this year.

-The Backpack Program was highlighted in the newspaper recently. Since then, from the overwhelming support and donations from our Mt. Upton and Gilbertsville communities, the program was able to add two more recipients.

-The High School Student Council organized a candlelight vigil in honor of the 17 individuals who lost their lives during the shooting at the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. A banner was also signed by faculty, staff and students at GMU and will be sent to the high school. -The NYS Education Department informed the district that the plans for the School Based Health Center were approved.

-The Superintendent is continuing to work with community member, Leigh Eckmair on finalizing a display case for the artifacts to be exhibited in. -Security around the building has been tightened.

-Board Clerk, Amber Birdsall handed out information to board members on a School Boards Institute taking place on April 19<sup>th</sup>. Members also received a Save the Date on the upcoming Chenango County School Boards Dinner INFO FOR MEMBERS

taking place on April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Silo Restaurant. -Upcoming board meeting date changes: Additional meeting 4/25 for negotiations; the budget hearing scheduled for 5/9 has been changed to 5/8/18.

Topic: School Resource Officer PUBLIC COMMENT Gerrit Bakhuizen, Safety Patrol advisor reported on the **REPORTS**, Safety Patrol upcoming Safety Patrol Trip taking place in May. Trip The board was in consent with pursuing this trip. Superintendent Hammond presented a PowerPoint **Budget Review** presentation on the 2018-19 budget. Discussion items: Security at school **Board Discussion** MINUTES Minutes from the 21 February 2018 meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Smith, seconded by Hill. The proposed 14 March 2018 Regular Consent Agenda AGENDA was unanimously adopted on a motion by Proskine, seconded by Muller. Board Member Hill made the motion, seconded by Board **CSE/CPSE CONSENT** Member Dunham, RESOLVED: Upon the AGENDA recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 14 March 2018 CSE/CPSE Consent Agenda. The meeting dates include 16, 22, 23 February and 1 March 2018. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried. Board Member Proskine made the motion, seconded by FINANCIAL CONSENT Board Member Muller, RESOLVED: Upon the AGENDA recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 14 March 2018, Financial Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried. **Financial Reports** To accept the financial reports for February 2018. **Fuel Bids** To approve the following fuel bids for the 2018-19 school year: #2 Fuel Oil - Reinhardt - Fixed Price - \$2.1237 Unleaded Gas - Reinhardt - Market plus Escalator . Rate = \$.1851 Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel - Fixed Price -Reinhardt - \$2.285 Blended Fuel (30/70) - Fixed Price - Reinhardt -\$2.4136 Blended Fuel (50/50) - Fixed Price - Reinhardt -\$2.4994 Propane Bid – Fixed Price – Blue Ox - \$1.2725 Surplus To approve the following as surplus equipment: 5 choral risers from the music department

Board Member Hill made the motion, seconded by Board Member Dunham, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 14 March 2018, Personnel Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

## **Maternity Leave**

To approve a maternity leave for Nicole Gardepe beginning on or about May 21, 2018 until June 22, 2018.

Board Member Hill made the motion, seconded by Board Member Proskine, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 14 March 2018 New Items Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

#### **Annual Meeting Advertisement**

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

# GILBERTSVILLE-MOUNT UPTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Hearing for the inhabitants of the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District, qualified to vote at school meetings in said district, will be held in D131 on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 6:30 PM, for the transaction of such business as is authorized by Education Law.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that the Annual Meeting/Election to vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures, or any propositions involving the expenditure of money, or authorizing a levy of taxes, or any proposition duly presented in accordance with election law, as well as the election of members of the Board of Education, shall be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, in the school lobby between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 8:00 PM.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes may be obtained by any resident of the District at the District Office during the fourteen days immediately preceding the vote, except Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that petitions nominating candidates for the office of members of the Board of Education must be filed with the District Clerk at the District Office between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, not later than April 16, 2018. The following vacancies are to be filled:

A three year term ending June 30, 2021 presently held by Ethan Eberly.

A three year term ending June 30, 2021 presently held by Larry Smith.

Each petition must be addressed to the District Clerk, be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, and shall state the name and physical residence (911 address) of the candidate and physical residence (911 address) of each signer.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that any proposition that is required to be included for a vote shall be submitted in writing by means of a petition signed by at least 25 qualified voters, stating the 911 address of each signer, NEW ITEMS CONSENT AGENDA

which petition shall be filed with the Board of Education no later than 30 days before the date of the election set forth in this notice, unless a greater number of days is required by statute. Any petition shall be rejected by the Board of Education if the purpose of the proposition is not within the powers of the voters, or where the expenditure of money is required for the proposition and such proposition fails to include the necessary specific appropriation.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that all persons offering to vote will be asked to provide proof of residency. Such proof should include a photo identification card and an additional document giving a physical address if it is not on the photo identification card. A driver's license, a nondriver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card or combination of these with a photo and physical address will be accepted. Persons who do not provide a proof of residency will be asked to sign a Declaration of Eligibility hefore voting.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that an Application for Absentee Ballot may be obtained at the District Office at the school, 693 State Highway 51, Gilbertsville, New York 13776-1104. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the vote set in this notice if the ballot is to be mailed to the absentee voter, or the day before the vote if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the absentee voter.

Completed absentee hallots must be returned to the district office by 5:00 PM on the day of the election.

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, until the date of the election. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of qualifications as a voter of any person, whose name appears on such list, stating the reason for the challenge. Such list shall be posted in a conspicuous place during the election, and any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the absentee voter's ballot of a person on such list, by making this challenge and the reason for such challenge known to the inspectors of election before the close of the polls.

Approved by the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District Board of Education 14 March 2018.

By: Amber Birdsall District Clerk

No topics raised from the floor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m. on a motion by Muller, seconded by Proskine, and passed unanimously.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT