

Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School Board of Education

Regular Meeting

16 February 2022

Cafeteria

Members present at the start of the meeting were President, Jeremy Pain, Jed Barnes, Christopher Ostrander, Sarah Green, Sean Barrows, and four guests.

Member Whitney Talbot arrived at 6:31 pm.

Vice-President Larry Smith was absent.

Others present were District Clerk Jarrin Hayen, District Treasurer Dorothy Iannello and Principal Heather Wilcox.

Superintendent Annette Hammond was absent.

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

The Principal provided the following Positive Highlights: POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- End of 1st semester (giving students ½ year credits, NHS, rankings for seniors)
- Standard virtual awards ceremony for 7-12
- March 25-2nd quarter awards ceremony for essential skills, soaring eagles and honor rolls
- Things moving along smoothly on campus
- Jared Campbell and LEAF presenting to students

No topics were raised from the floor. PUBLIC COMMENT

James Page, NYSSBA presented to the board about Board Reports, Board Docs

Harold Ives, Head Bus Driver and Ron Northrup, Matthews Buses, Inc. reported to the board on 5 year, 8 year and 10 year bus replacement schedules. REPORTS, Bus Replacement Schedule

Principal Heather Wilcox reported to the board on the Athletic Taskforce. First meeting was February 8th with starting conversations, being transparent between districts and sharing district resources evenly. A letter went out to UV and GMU community members with information about the Task Force and a link for feedback. Was a very positive meeting. Working hard for community forum at GMU on Monday, May 23rd and at UV on Wednesday, May 25. The Task Force will make a proposal for both boards to vote on in the end. The next meeting is March REPORTS, Athletic Task Force Share-Out

1st. Community member S. H. asked if we don't merge and the homeschool team does not offer a sport but a sister school does, how does transportation work? Last year a student at GMU self-transported to Sidney for golf. Community member R.S. asked how to give feedback to the Task Force? E-mails can be sent to Mrs. Wilcox at GMU or respond to the link in the letter.

-District Clerk, Jarrin Hayen reported the results of the Bus Vote held on 01 February 2022 as follows:

REPORTS, Bus Vote Results

PROPOSITION 1

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, shall the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District, Otsego County, New York, be authorized to purchase two 66- passenger school buses and to expend therefore a maximum estimated cost not to exceed two hundred sixty six thousand, two hundred dollars (\$266,200), including incidental expenses in connection therewith, and that \$266,200 Capital Reserve Fund monies shall be used to pay the cost thereof.

YES Votes 45

NO Votes 19

The **PROPOSITION** was approved.

PROPOSITION 2

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, shall the Board of Education of the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to be designated "Vehicle and Equipment Reserve Fund" in order to pay costs of the purchase of the school transportation vehicles and maintenance equipment, and, in order to accomplish the same, said Board is hereby authorized to establish the ultimate amount of such Reserve Fund not to exceed \$500,000, plus accrued interest and other investment earnings thereon, with a probable term of ten years and, to appropriate annually from available fund balance and/or other legally available funds of the School District to such Reserve Fund.

YES Votes 46

NO Votes 17

The **PROPOSITION** was approved.

District Treasurer Dorothy Iannello reviewed current numbers for the 2022-2023 budget with the board.

REPORTS, Budget Review

District Clerk Jarrin Hayen informed the board of the following:

INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

-CASSC's School Boards Institute Workshops: "Civil and Effective Board Meetings & Building Relationships

through Community Engagement” virtual on March 24, 2022 and “Superintendent Evaluation Workshop, Developing and Supporting Effective Superintendents” on April 1, 2022.

-PK-12 Technology Plan & Curriculum Framework: for board to see, required to submit to NYS.

The board convened in executive session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss the employment history of particular persons on a motion by Talbot, seconded by Barrows and passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board reconvened in open session at 8:09 p.m. p.m. on a motion by Barnes, seconded by Talbot and passed unanimously.

The board discussed the Board of Education Scholarship. They agreed that 3-\$300 scholarships will be given out this year at graduation.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Minutes from the 12 January 2022 regular meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Barrows, seconded by Talbot. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Minutes from the 01 February 2022 special meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Barrows, seconded by Talbot. For the motion six, opposed none.

The proposed 16 February 2022 Regular Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted as amended on a motion by Barnes, seconded by Ostrander. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

AGENDA

Board Member Barrows made the motion, seconded by Board Member Talbot, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 February 2022 CSE/CPSE Consent Agenda. The meeting dates include January 15 & 25, 2022. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

CSE/CPSE CONSENT
AGENDA

Board Member Talbot made the motion, seconded by Board Member Green, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 February 2022, Financial Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL CONSENT
AGENDA

Financial Reports

To accept the financial reports for January 2022.

Corrective Action Plan

To approve the corrective action plan.

Amend IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate

To amend the IRS Mileage Reimbursement rate from .56 cents (approved on July 1, 2021) to .57.5 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2022.

Board Member Talbot made the motion, seconded by Board Member Barrows, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 February 2022, Personnel Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL CONSENT
AGENDA

Aide

To appoint Zea Beckwith as an Aide, effective January 31, 2022. All benefits are per the CSEA contract.

Substitutes

To appoint the following as **non-certified** substitutes, effective February 16, 2022, pending fingerprint clearance:

Lauren Chamberlain
Althea Levenson

Maternity Leave

To approve maternity leave for Mackenzie Talbot, beginning on or about March 19, 2022, with an expected return date of on or about April 29, 2022.

Spring Coaching Recommendations

To appoint the following coaches for the 2021-2022 winter sports season:

Girls' Varsity Softball– Sandra Bonczkowski
Girls' Modified Softball-Abbey Beaver
Varsity Track & Field– Tara Finch

All coaches are pending the following requirements: first aid certification, CPR/AED certification, concussion certification, DASA certification, and fingerprint clearance.

Paternity Leave

To approve paternity leave for Darin Trass beginning on or about May 7, 2022 with an expected return date of on or about June 21, 2022.

Board Member Talbot made the motion, seconded by Board Member Ostrander, RESOLVED: Upon the

NEW ITEMS CONSENT
AGENDA

recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 February 2022 New Items Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

Sports Mergers

To approve the following sports mergers for the 2021-2022 school year:

Varsity & Modified Girls' Softball-GMU & Unadilla Valley.

Varsity & Modified Boys' Baseball-GMU & Unadilla Valley.

Varsity & Modified Track & Field-GMU & Unadilla Valley.

No topics raised from the floor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. on a motion by Barnes, seconded by Talbot, and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT