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## Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School Board of Education

Regular Meeting

28 November 2018

Board Room D131

Members present at the start of the meeting were President, Jeremy Pain, Vice-President Ethan Eberly, Hillary Giuda-Philpott, Barbara Hill, Mark Muller and six guests.

Member Patricia Dunham was absent.

Others present were Superintendent Annette Hammond, District Clerk Sheila Nolan, District Treasurer Dorothy Iannello and Acting PK-12 Principal Heather Wilcox.

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

The Acting PK-12 Principal provided the following Positive Highlights: **POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS**

-GMU was awarded two grants: The first is a \$1,600 Milk Grant from Unitarian Universalist Society of Oneonta for Milk from Blue Ox for the Backpack Program, and the second was a \$1,000 Clothing and Toiletry Grant from the Sidney Elks Club.

-Mary Poppins Show was well attended.

-The National Honor Society and the Leadership Club honored 60 Vets at the Veteran's Breakfast.

-Grades 3-12 were honored at the First Quarter Award Ceremony that was held on November 28.

-Basketball Season has officially started with the first official game being held on November 28.

The board received information on the following: **INFO FOR MEMBERS**

-BOE Scholarship.

-Holiday Luncheon on December 21, @ 12:00.

-Indian Artifact Project Letter from Leigh Eckmair, Historian.

-Superintendent Annette Hammond informed the board about a conference that she attended regarding Threat Assessment.

-Principal Heather Wilcox informed the board about a Healthy Kids Extended Day Program.

No topics were raised from the floor. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

GMU Transportation Supervisor, Joseph Zaczek reported on the bus replacement schedule and his recommendation to purchase two 66 passenger buses for approximately \$124,746.16 each. The board was in consent with his proposal. **REPORTS, Bus Purchase**

GMU Librarian Raquel Norton reported on behalf of the Athletic Director about a new GMU Raider Athletic Club that they would like to put in place. **GMU Raider Athletic Club**

The board discussed the following: **BOARD DISCUSSION**

-Community Members Brian Underwood & Larry Smith addressed the board about their interest in the vacant board seat.

-Updated Sexual Harassment Policy

-Results from the School Based Health Center Survey

-Information regarding the Clay Target Shooting League

Minutes from the 17 October 2018 regular meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Giuda-Philpott, seconded by Eberly. For the motion six, opposed none. motion carried.

MINUTES

The proposed 28 November 2018 Regular Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted as amended on a motion by Hill, seconded by Muller. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

AGENDA

Board Member Eberly made the motion, seconded by Board Member Muller, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 28 November 2018 CSE/CPSE Consent Agenda. The meeting dates include October 25 & November 01 & 15, 2018. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

CSE/CPSE CONSENT  
AGENDA

Board Member Muller made the motion, seconded by Board Member Eberly, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 28 November 2018, Financial Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL CONSENT  
AGENDA

#### **Financial Reports**

To accept the financial reports for October 2018.

#### **Tax Correction**

To approve a correction to a change in assessment and to add a Veteran's Exemption to Tax Map Number 254.00-1-11.00, to add an Enhanced STAR Exemption to Tax Map Number 254.00-1-41.01, and to authorize the District Treasurer to make the necessary revision/corrections to the school tax bill effective 14 November 2018. This action in the Town of Morris, Otsego County reduces the school levy by \$372.43 and the remainder of \$721.00 for the Enhanced STAR will have no budgetary impact because this will be paid for by New York State STAR aid.

#### **Budget Calendar**

To approve the budget calendar for the 2019-20 school year.

#### **CSEA Sick Bank Report**

To approve the CSEA Sick Bank Report for the 2018-19 school year.

#### **GMUTA Sick Bank Report**

To approve the GMUTA Sick Bank Report for the 2018-19 school year.

#### **Small Capital Project Bid**

To approve the small capital project bid from A. Treffeisen & Sons, LLC with a bid amount of \$70,200.

#### **Clinic Renovations Project Bid**

To approve the clinic renovations for the school based health center from Murnane Building Contractors, Inc. with a bid amount of \$359,000.

#### **Donation**

To accept the following donation from Unadilla Valley

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Historical Society: A donation in the amount of \$500.00 for the Richmond Artifacts Collection Project.

**Donation**

To accept the following donation from the United Methodist Church in Mt. Upton-Carol Clum: A donation of Clorox wipes & tissues.

**School Tax Collection Report**

To accept the unpaid school tax collection report in the amount of \$289,753.12 to be forwarded to the Otsego and Chenango County Treasurer’s Office for the 2018-19 school year.

Board Member Hill made the motion, seconded by Board Member Muller, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 28 November 2018, Personnel Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL CONSENT  
AGENDA

**Coaching Recommendations**

To appoint the following coaches for the 2018-19 sports season:

- Girl’s Modified Basketball-Kristen Barnes
- Girl’s Varsity Softball-Amanda Austin

**Resignation**

To accept the resignation of Michele Allison as bus driver effective November 5, 2018.

**Driver Appointment**

To appoint Kimberley Oliver as full-time bus driver effective November 26, 2018. Compensation and benefits are in accordance with the current CSEA contract.

**Substitute**

To appoint Emily Steckline as a non-certified substitute for the 2018-19 school year.

**Resignation**

To accept the resignation of Annette D. Hammond as the Director of Special Education effective November 30, 2018 with regret and gratitude.

**Director of Special Education**

To approve Kimberly Degear as the Director of Special Education effective December 1, 2018.

Board Member Eberly made the motion, seconded by Board Member Giuda-Philpott, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 28 November 2018 Personnel Proposal Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

NEW ITEMS CONSENT  
AGENDA

**Clay Target Shooting League**

To approve the Proposed Clay Target Shooting League Club for the 2018-19 school year.

**RESOLUTION REGARDING FORMATION OF A DISTRICT TRAPSHOOTING TEAM**

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has advised the Board of Education regarding a number of students being interested in forming a school trapshooting team, which will enable its members to compete against other schools with

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trapshooting teams; and

WHEREAS, trapshooting is an exciting and challenging sport with several million participants which is growing in popularity throughout the United States and New York; and

WHEREAS, trapshooting has gained international recognition; and

WHEREAS, trapshooting is one of the recognized Olympic shooting sports, introduced to the Olympics program in 1900; and

WHEREAS, trapshooting has been a sport in America since 1831; and

WHEREAS, interest in the sport of trapshooting has grown to the point that New York has now formed a New York State High School Clay Target League ("NYSHSTL") to facilitate and promote students' participation in the sport of trapshooting; and

WHEREAS, the Amateur Trapshooting Association ("ATA"), the primary governing body of American trapshooting and the NYSHSTL both award scholarships to college-bound trap shooters based on academics, integrity, and marksmanship; and

WHEREAS, trapshooting is a coeducational sport capable of being participated in by students with disabilities, therefore making it compliant with Title IX and the Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, the goal of forming a trapshooting team would be to provide instruction and promote firearm safety, personal responsibility, and sportsmanship among the participants, and to enable students of both genders and those with disabilities to engage in competition against their peers across both New York State and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the formation of a trapshooting team would be compliant with the New York Safe Act and the Federal Gun Free Schools Act, in that at no time would firearms or ammunition be brought onto the campus as a result of the formation of a trapshooting team, or one of the District's students becoming a member of such a team; and

WHEREAS, the District has been advised that per the rules of the NYSHSTL, the formation of a trapshooting team can be achieved at no cost to the District, and that team members and coaches would be covered under insurance provided by the NYSHSTL, also at no cost to the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board being fully apprised of the process to form a school trapshooting team under the NYSHSTL, and being desirous of the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Section 1. The formation of a school trapshooting team

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pursuant to the rules of the New York State High School Trapshooting League is hereby approved, and the use of the school's name in forming and identifying said team is likewise hereby approved.

Section 2. The members of any such team shall be subject to the District's Code of Conduct and any other policy or procedure applicable to student participation in extracurricular activities.

Section 3. It shall be emphasized to any student seeking to join the trapshooting team and/or any student who becomes a member of the trapshooting team, as well as in any policies or procedures adopted as a result of the formation of the District's trapshooting team that students are to be fully compliant with the New York Safe Act and the Gun Free Schools Act, i.e., that at no time are firearms or ammunition to be brought on campus.

Section 4. The Superintendent and/or their designee are authorized to execute any documents necessary to form a school trapshooting team under the NYSHSTL.

Section 5. The Superintendent and/or their designee shall have the authority to seek sponsors in support of the formation of a school trapshooting team, subject to the limits on commercial speech in schools as determined by the Commissioner of Education.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Agreement between G-MU and the Madison-Oneida-Herkimer Workers' Compensation Plan & Appointing Representatives**

To approve the agreement between the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton CSD and the MOH Workers' Compensation Plan Consortium to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance services for the 2018-19 school year.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GILBERTSVILLE-MOUNT-UPTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A MUNICIPAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE MADISON-ONEIDA-HERKIMER WORKERS' COMPENSATION PLAN CONSORTIUM**

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the Board of Education for the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools Annette D. Hammond to enter into a Municipal Cooperative Agreement with the Madison-Oneida-Herkimer Workers' Compensation Plan Consortium effective January 1, 2019, by which the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District shall gain membership into the Consortium to provide workers' compensation insurance services; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that membership into the Consortium shall renew annually, unless the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District should seek to withdraw in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Municipal Cooperative Agreement.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A GILBERTSVILLE-MOUNT UPTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE AND**

ALTERNATE TO THE MADISON-ONEIDA-  
HERKIMER WORKERS' COMPENSATION PLAN  
CONSORTIUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District has entered into agreement with the Madison-Oneida-Herkimer Workers' Compensation Plan Consortium ("Consortium") to participate as a member of said organization to provide workers' compensation insurance services to the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District; and

WHEREAS, in entering into this Agreement, the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District's governing body is required to identify and appoint one (1) representative to serve on the Consortium's Board of Directors, as well as to identify and appoint one (1) alternate to attend the Board of Director's meetings when its representative cannot be present; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education to comply with this requirement; now, therefore;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Education for the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District does hereby appoint Annette D. Hammond to serve as the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District's representative to the Madison-Oneida-Herkimer Workers' Compensation Plan Consortium's Board of Directors for the 2018-2019 school year; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education for the Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District does hereby appoint Dorothy Iannello to serve as an alternate to its representative on the Consortium's Board of Directors should that person be unable to attend a scheduled Board meeting(s).

**Agreement between G-MU and TalkPath Live**

To approve the agreement between the Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton CSD and TalkPath Live to provide teletherapy services to GMUCSD students under a public/private partnership for the 2018-19 school year.

**Abolishment of Club**

To approve the request to abolish the Technology Club due to inactivity for several years. The club has \$201.66 in its account. The funds would be transferred to the High School Technology Department, to be used for building a geodesic dome or sphere as an engineering project, if approved.

**Abolishment of Board Policies**

To approve the abolishment of the listed Board Policies on behalf of the Superintendent and Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, DeWind & Gregory, LLP

**Section 1000-By-Laws**

- 1110-School District & Board of Education Legal Status
- 1120-Board of Education Authority
- 1210-Board of Education Members-Qualifications
- 1220-Board of Education Members-Nomination & Election
- 1240-Resignation & Dismissal

1250-Legal Qualifications of Voters at School District Meetings  
1270-Absentee Ballots  
1310-Powers & Duties of the Board  
1320-Nomination & Election of Board Officers  
1321-Duties of the President of the Board of Education  
1322-Duties of the Vice-President of the Board of Education  
1330-Appointments & Designations by the Board of Education  
1331-Duties of the District Clerk  
1332-Duties of the School District Treasurer  
1333-Duties of the Tax Collector  
1334-Duties of the Independent Auditor  
1335-Duties of the extra class room activities funds Treasurer  
1336-Duties of the School Attorney  
1337-Duties of the School Physician  
1610-Annual District Meeting  
1611-Business of the Annual District Election  
1620-Annual Organizational Meeting-Time

**Section 2000-Internal Operations**

2110-Orienting New Board Members  
2120-Use of Parliamentary Procedure  
2210-Committees of the Board  
2310-Membership in Associations  
2320-Attendance by Board Members at Conferences, Conventions & Workshops  
2330-Compensation & Expenses  
2340-Board Self-Evaluation

**Section 3000-Community Relations**

3110-Community Relations & Public Information  
3120-Relations with the Municipal Governments  
3130-Senior Citizens  
3140-Flag Display  
3230-Public Complaints  
3240-Student Participation  
3250-School & Community Organizations  
3270-Public use of School Facilities  
3280-Operation of Motor-Driven Vehicles on District Property  
3310-Public Access to Records  
3320-Confidentiality of Computerized Information  
3410-Maintenance of Public Order on School Property  
3510-Emergency Closings

**Adopt Revised Board Policies**

To adopt the revised Board Policies listed on behalf of the Superintendent and Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, DeWind & Gregory, LLP

**Section 2000-Internal Operations**

2120-Simplified Procedural Requirements

**Section 3000-Community Relations**

3220-Public Expression at Meetings  
3270-Regulations of School Facilities  
3280-Operation of Motor-Driven Vehicles on District Property  
3310-Public Access to Records  
3320-Notification of Breach of Security

**Surplus**

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To approve the following surplus material:  
Original gym wall padding

The board convened in executive session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss Transportation/Maintenance Personnel Concerns on a motion by Hill, seconded by Eberly and passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board reconvened in open session at 8:05 p.m. on a motion by Eberly, seconded by Giuda-Philpott and passed unanimously.

No topics raised from the floor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m. on a motion by Muller, seconded by Giuda-Philpott, and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

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