

The regular meeting of the Fillmore Central School District, Board of Education was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Tom Parmenter.

Board Members present: P. Cronk, M. Dean, J. Hodnett, T. Parmenter, and F. Roeske.

Administration present: Curriculum Coordinator/CSE Chair W. Butler, Superintendent M. Cox, Principal K. Faulkner, and Business Manager T. Ricketts.

Others present: None

Comments from Visitors

None

Presentation – School-Based Dental Program

Representative Laurie Turner was present to offer information regarding “Going Miles for Healthy Smiles”, a school based dental program sponsored by Rochester Primary Care Network through Rushville Community Health Center. This program targets schools and communities that have a high poverty level, have little or no low cost dental offerings, and is designed to benefit those who are uninsured, who do not have transportation, or otherwise have difficulty accessing dental care.

The program is currently serving Headstarts in several WNY Counties, and is expanding into Wyoming and Allegany counties this year. They offer health/nutrition education, dental screening, and upon parental consent, can provide dental cleaning, dental sealing and fluoride treatment to students at the school.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Hodnett, to proceed with a review of the business agreement and memorandum of understanding of the “Going Miles for Healthy Smiles” school based dental program and implementing the program upon successful review.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation – APPR Professional Development Update

Mrs. Butler and Mr. Faulkner briefed the Board on current Race to the Top (RTTT) progress. This progress also relates to new APPR standards. NYS is adopting a common core State standard for ELA and Mathematics, including assessments. NYS is also putting in place new statewide curriculum models aligned with college and career readiness standards. Pre K-12 Fillmore teachers have received copies of the common core standards and have participated in common core professional development through CA BOCES. Required weekly curriculum/data meetings are being held Pre K-12 in all content areas and data meetings are held every six weeks in grades K-6 to discuss student performance and adjust AIS groups.

Teachers and administrators created a draft APPR plan last summer that was required to be developed by September 1, 2011 and is currently posted for review on the District website. Components of the APPR will be negotiated when the teacher contract is up for renegotiation. Fillmore Central continues to be a district in good standing in all accountability areas.

Superintendent’s Report

Principal Faulkner reported that Regents Week begins January 24. He also briefed the Board on an update from the Safety Committee. There was agreement within the committee that all school personnel should begin wearing ID badges while in the school building. The committee also agreed on a policy for securing building entries.

Superintendent Cox shared notes on a regional forum he attended at the BOCES center in Belmont on cost consolidation of school districts. Discussions were facilitated by retired Superintendent Alan Pole. They included discussion items such as tuition for students, shared services, regional high schools and district mergers. Mr. Pole shared both positive and negative impacts each of these elements has on districts. Mr. Cox also reported that a meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2012 at FCS with administration from Belfast Central School to discuss possible shared services and cost containment strategies.

2012-13 Budget Planning Process

Mr. Ricketts supplied the Board with a printout that detailed New York's 2012-2013 Executive Budget Proposal for school aid. The report showed a total proposed aid package for Fillmore Central of \$10,335,533 which is an approximant increase of 2% over last years aid, but less than the 4% increase in aid promised by the Governor.

With a local budget increase estimated to be approximately 3%, and a potential budget gap of almost \$850,000, a proposed change in how the budget is planned was shared. The basic idea is to systematically reduce the amount of fund balance to be used each year, and according to the amount of state aid and estimated annual expense increases, come up with a budget limit for each year.

This revenue based budget planning process is designed to maximize the use of available fund balance. It allows for a modest annual budget increase and extends the financial viability of the district from 2013 to 2017. It will require the district to have significant budget restraint and reductions beginning with the 2012-2013 budget, but reduces heavy reliance on the fund balance to equalize the annual budget and maintains the repair and reserve funds for emergencies. This plan should help prevent a catastrophic financial collapse. It can also be modified each year as variables change

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Ricketts reviewed the monthly financial summary for the month of December and distributed reports on the general fund expenditures as of December 31, 2011. Mr. Ricketts also noted that the Annual CA BOCES budget meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2012 in Olean. A WNYRIC information technology services meeting is scheduled for February 3 and a health insurance rate meeting is scheduled for March 9.

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Cronk, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December and to grant authority to pay necessary January bills with the Treasurer's Report to be presented at the February Board of Education meeting.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution – Replacement School Bus Purchase

A motion was made by Hodnett, seconded by Dean, to approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Chapter 818 of the Laws of 1982, the Board of Education of the Fillmore Central School District authorizes an increase in the 2011-2012 General Fund budget in the amount of \$31,758.96 (stated amount to be reduced by the insurance recovery) for the emergency purchase of a school bus to replace district bus 110 which was appraised as a total loss due to an accident on January 3, 2012. Replacement to be a Chevrolet Suburban purchased from NYS Contract PC065026. Necessary funds to be transferred from existing unallocated fund balance.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

- Old Business – Mr. Cox reported that the first draft of the newly revised Policy Manual has been received from Erie 1 BOCES and administration will begin to review for potential changes.
- New Business – It was suggested to move the next regular meeting scheduled for February 16 to February 13 due to a schedule conflict.

Personnel (Executive Session)

A motion was made by Hodnett, seconded by Roeske, to go into Executive Session to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, suspension, promotion, discipline, dismissal or removal of any personnel and Committee on Special Education recommendations.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:18 pm and reconvened open session at 10:34 pm.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Roeske, seconded by Dean, to approve the Consent Agenda

Ayes 5 Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

- 1) Approval of the minutes from the December 19, 2011 Board of Education meeting.
- 2) Approval of the CSE Recommendations for the periods of November 30 – December 7, 2011 and December 20, 2011 – January 19, 2012.
- 3) Appointment of the following individuals to the position of Substitute Teacher pending the successful completion of a background check:
 - Katie Pitts
 - Lindsey Benton
 - Ken Benton
 - Emily Voss
 - John Snyder
 - Stacy Marcy
- 4) Appointment of the following individuals to the position of Substitute Cleaner pending the successful completion of a background check:
 - Tracy Brunke
 - Leland Lafferty
- 5) Appointment of Daniel Wartinger, Long-Term Instrumental Music Substitute – March 19 – May 7, 2012.

Personnel – Interim Superintendent

A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Hodnett to approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Fillmore Central School District does hereby appoint and employ Dr. Jeffrey M. Bowen as Interim Superintendent of schools, for the period beginning February 1, 2012 to no later than June 30, 2012, pending approval of the terms and conditions of a mutually agreed upon employment contract AND further agrees that termination of the contract by the Board or the Interim by written notice may occur at any time.

Ayes 5

Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

A motion was made by Roeske, seconded by Hodnett, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes 5

Nays 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 pm.

ATTEST: _____
District Clerk