

MINUTES

Board of Education Meeting
Monday, November 16, 2015
6 p.m. Jr-Sr High School LGI

PRESENT: Jeremy Putorti, James Brooks, Frank Barber,
Amy Austin, Patricia Norton, Michael Rocque,
Tony Scrimo

ABSENT: Samantha Kingsley, Virginia Rivette

ALSO PRESENT: William F. Scott, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Jodi Birch, School Business Manager
Richard Trowbridge, Elementary Principal
Mark Doody, Jr-Sr High School Principal
Gregg Chappell, Director of Special Education Services

Mr. Putorti called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
He congratulated the Football team and their coaches for a very successful season that showed their hard work, dedication and good sportsmanship to the team and the fans.

Mrs. Pelkey – Technology teacher, gave a presentation on Reading A-Z and the Raz Kids program

There was no Correspondence or Old Business for the month

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by **BOARD & STAFF**
Patricia Norton and carried unanimously to approve **REPORTS**
the bank reconciliation's for the General Fund, School Lunch
Fund, Special Aid Fund, Debt Service Fund and the Capital Project Fund
7 yes

Moved by Frank Barber, seconded by
James Brooks and carried unanimously to approve the
Bills for payment for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund,
Special Aid Fund and Capital Project Fund.
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Frank Barber and carried unanimously to approve the Budget status reports for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund & the Capital Project Fund
7 yes

The Revenue Status report was noted as informational

Moved by Frank Barber, seconded by Tony Scrimo and carried unanimously to approve The purchase of new software program – Win Cap, For the financial operation of the Business Office.
7 yes

Mr. Scrimo presented the minutes from the first Policy Meeting which was held on 10/29/2015. Section 1000 the Bylaws were presented.

Moved by Anthony Scrimo, seconded by Patricia Norton to waive the second reading of The new policies from this point forward and adopt Them immediately.
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Tony Scrimo and carried unanimously to Adopt Section 1000, Bylaws, effective immediately.
7 yes

Moved by Patricia Norton, seconded by James Brooks and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of 10/19/2015
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Patricia Norton and carried unanimously to approve The CSE & CPSE Minutes of 9/19, 10/8, 10/13/15 Please note that the minutes of 10/27 & 10/29 are being Tabled until the next meeting for review
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Frank Barber and carried unanimously to Refund school taxes that were billed incorrectly By Washington County.
7 yes

Moved by Frank Barber, seconded by Tony Scrimo and carried unanimously to Establish the standard work day for New York State Employees Retirement System
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Patricia Norton to approve the reinstatement Of The Elementary Club and the Horizons Club Which were closed due to non-use several years ago.
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Tony Scrimo and carried unanimously to approve The following resolution:

APPOINTMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education of the Whitehall Central School District hereby accept the recommendation Of the Superintendent to appoint Mr. Steven Zito to a 4 year Probationary appointment as a teacher of Special Education in the Special Education tenure area commencing on November 17, 2015 And ending November 16, 2019, contingent upon achievement Of effective or highly effective APPR ratings necessary to receive tenure Throughout his probationary period, consistent with the requirements Of Education Law Sections 2509, 3012-c. Mr. Zito holds an initial Certification as a high school Special Ed. teacher. He will be paid at Level 1 – MA \$39,926.

7 yes

Moved by Tony Scrimo, seconded by James Brooks and carried unanimously to Approve the permanent appointment of Kathy Ripley to the position of Library Technician.

This appointment will be retroactive to June 16, 2015
When she was provisionally appointed. This retro active
Appointment is due to the fact that Mrs. Ripley previously
Passed the examination for Library Technician.
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by
Pat Norton and carried unanimously to
Approve the appointment of Michelle Maynard
As Modified Girls Basketball Coach
7 yes

Moved by Tony Scrimo, seconded by
James Brooks and carried unanimously to
Approve the following personnel for the 2015-2016
School year as Department Chairs:
Karen Paddock – Math Department – Elementary School
Judy Gould – ELA Department – Elementary School
Holly Pelkey – Technology – Elementary School
7 yes

Board Member Amy Austin, suggested that perhaps the Technology
Chair perhaps expand the education of Technology and look at the
Possibility of a Flipped Classroom
7 yes

Moved by Patricia Norton, seconded by
James Brooks and carried to approve
The following personnel as teachers for the
Extended Day Program
Kim Barber – Grade 3
Jen Stevens – Grade 4
Bethany Truax – Grade 5
6 yes
1 abstain (Barber)

Moved by Tony Scrimo, seconded by
James Brooks and carried to approve the
Following personnel as Co-Advisors for the 2015-2016 year.

Rob Hemsing – Horizon Club Co-Advisor
Heather Ernenwein – Horizon Club Co-Advisor
Heather Gordon – Elementary Club Co-Advisor
Pam Putorti – Elementary Club Co-Advisor

6 yes

1 abstain (Norton)

Moved by Amy Austin, seconded by

USE OF FACILITY

James Brooks and carried unanimously to approve

The request from Valerie Wager to use the pool from 12/1/2015

Through 5/12/2016 on Monday & Thursday nights from 6 to 8 p.m.

Mrs. Wager has permission to make up nights that are missed due to snowstorms sporting events or other unforeseen circumstances.

7 yes

Moved by Amy Austin, seconded by

Frank Barber and carried unanimously to

Approve the request from Whitehall Youth Wrestling

To use the gym and cafeteria on 2/20/16 for the annual

Pee Wee Tournament. The group would like to set up the

Gym on 2/19/16 after sports practices are completed.

7 yes

Moved by Frank Barber, seconded by Pat Norton

And carried unanimously to approve the request

From Angel Clark, representing the Girl Scouts

To use the Elementary School Cafeteria on 10/23,

11/6, 11/20 & 12/4 for meetings. The meetings will be at 4 p.m.

7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by

Amy Austin and carried unanimously to approve

The request from the Class of 2020 to use the Jr-Sr

High School auditorium and classrooms in the Jr. High

To sponsor the First Step Dance studio recital.

They will need the building areas on 5/9, 5/10,

5/12/16 from 4 to 9 p.m. and 5/13, & 5/14 from

5 to 10 p.m. for the recital practice and performances.

7 yes

Moved by Amy Austin, seconded by
James Brooks and carried unanimously to
Approve the request from the Whitehall Elks Lodge 1491
To use the Jr-Sr High School gym on 12/12/2015
From 10-12 p.m. for the Elks Hoop Shoot.
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Tony Scrimo
And carried unanimously to approve the request from Beth Bush representing Pack
49 Whitehall Cub Scouts to use the Elementary School on 12/2/2015 from 5:45 to
8:15 p.m. for Cub Scout sign ups. They would like to use both cafeterias.
7 yes

Moved by Frank Barber, seconded by Patricia Norton
and carried unanimously to approve the request from Angel Clark, representing the
Whitehall Girl Scouts, to use the Elementary Cafeteria on 12/3, 12/10 & 1/7/16
from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for Girl Scout Meetings
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by Tony Scrimo
And carried unanimously to approve the request from Amanda Heckman,
representing Brownie Troop 3234, would like to use her Grade 1 classroom on
12/7, 1/11, 2/22/ & 3/21/16 for troop meetings from 5 to 7 p.m.
7 yes

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by
Frank Barber and carried unanimously to
Appoint the following personnel as substitute
Teacher Aide/Bus Attendants, pending completion
Of the appropriate training. Each has had the proper
Fingerprint clearance.
Megan Penor
Samantha Beebe
7 yes

Moved by Amy Austin, seconded by
Tony Scrimo and carried unanimously to give
Permission to dispose of old textbooks and tools

From the Technology Education room.

7 yes

Under Items of Information the following were noted:

The job descriptions for the Jr-Sr High School Department Chairs
2015-2016 Employee Directory

Under Items of Discussion

Mr. Putorti thanked the audience for complying with the
New format of the Board meetings, and that the meetings
Have run very smoothly.

There was also kudos to the Honor Society

Moved by James Brooks, seconded by
Frank Barber and carried unanimously to
Adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Martha P. Bascue
School District Clerk