

**SACKETS HARBOR CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICIAL
PROCEEDINGS**

Tuesday, December 10, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Sackets Harbor Central School Board of Education, Sackets Harbor, NY, was called to order by President Townsend at 5:02 p.m.

Board Members Present: Christine Allen, Stephen Swain, Dale Phillips, Angela Green, Gregg Townsend

Others Present: Frederick E. Hall, Jr., Superintendent; Jennifer Gaffney, Principal; Julie Gayne, Sheri Rose, Emma Shirley, Ethan Dillabough, Megan Oram, Ashley Armstrong, Giovanni Santamarina, Mehriban Aliyeva

Courtesy of the Floor

Mr. Hall took the opportunity to introduce and welcome students from Mr. Wekar's Participation in Government class.

13-14 156	Moved by Swain, seconded by Green, to approve the November 19, 2013 Minutes.
Approve	
November	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
19, 2013	No: None
Minutes	The motion carried.

13-14 157	Moved by Phillips, seconded by Allen, to approve Treasurer's Report, Extracurricular Report and Internal Claims Auditor Report.
Approve	
Treasurer's	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
Report,	No: None
Extracurricular	The motion carried.
Report &	
Internal	
Claims Auditor	
Report	

13-14 158	Moved by Green, seconded by Swain, to Approve CPSE & CSE Recommendation numbers: 740, 1418, 108, 642, 1949, 1952, 1951, 1658, 1562, 1325, 1129, 942, 1758, 1275, 1595, 1332, 1220, 1685, 1947, 1856, 1656, 1613, 1222, 1043, 1078, 1421.
Approve	
CPSE &	
CSE	
Recommendations	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
	No: None
	The motion carried.

13-14 159	Moved by Swain, seconded by Green, to accept Retirement Resignation Letter from Paul Gibbs, Transportation Department, effective August 31, 2014 with regrets.
Accept	
Retirement	
Resignation Letter	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
from P. Gibbs,	No: None
Transportation	The motion carried.
Dept., effective	
August 31,	
2014 with	
Regrets	

13-14 160	Moved by Allen, seconded by Green, to accept Retirement Resignation Letter from Suzanne Smith, School Nurse, effective June 30, 2014 with regrets.
Accept	
Retirement	
Resignation	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
Letter from	No: None
S. Smith,	The motion carried.
School Nurse,	
effective	
June 30,	
2014 with	
Regrets	

13-14 161	Moved by Swain, seconded by Allen, to accept a \$1,000 donation from the American Legion Auxiliary Unit #1757 for the Back Pack Program.
Accept	
A \$1,000	
Donation	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
from the	No: None
American	The motion carried.
Legion	
Auxiliary	
Unit #1757	
for the	
Back Pack	
Program	

13-14 162	Moved by Swain, seconded by Green, to accept a donation of 5 OtterBox cases from OtterBox.com with an approximate value of \$500.00.
Accept a	
Donation of	
5 OtterBox	Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend
Cases from	No: None
OtterBox.com	The motion carried.
with an	
Approximate	
Value of	
\$500.00	

13-14 163 Approve Participation in NYS TRS Stable Contribution Option Election/ (Motion Denied)	Moved by Green, seconded by Swain, to approve Participation in NYS TRS Stable Contribution Option Election. Yes: None No: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend The motion was denied.
13-14 164 Approve a \$15 Stipend for Basketball Scorekeeper per Home Game	Moved by Phillips, seconded by Green, to approve a \$15 stipend for Basketball Scorekeeper per home game. Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend No: None The motion carried.
13-14 165 Approve \$10 Stipend for Basketball Shot Clock Keeper per Home Game	Moved by Allen, seconded by Swain, to approve a \$10 stipend for Basketball Shot Clock Keeper per home game. Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend No: None The motion carried.
13-14 166 Approve Cultural Connections Spanish Club Field Trip to New York City on March 21 – March 22, 2014/ No Overnight Accomodations Required	Moved by Green, seconded by Allen, to approve Cultural Connections Spanish Club Field Trip to New York City on March 21, 2014 (Friday) to return March 22, 2014 (Early Morning). No overnight accommodations required. Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend No: None The motion carried.
13-14 167 Approve Cross Contract with Great Southern Tier for Superintendent Development Program CoSer For \$4,250.00	Moved by Green, seconded by Swain, to approve Cross Contract with Great Southern Tier for Superintendent Development Program CoSer for \$4,250.00. Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend No: None The motion carried.

Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Hall reported the District underwent a Medicaid Claim Review through the Special Education Department.

Mr. Hall took the opportunity to congratulate Marlene Lennox and Carol Barkley for doing an outstanding job to see that the District passed with “flying colors.”

Mr. Hall reported that Mayor Vince Battista phoned and wanted to let the District know he looks forward to the Village and the school District continuing to work in collaboration. Mr. Battista also wanted to wish a Merry Christmas to the Board of Education.

Mr. Hall reported the District has five students participating in Youth Court. There will be an Induction Ceremony on December 30th which will include Sarah Grey, Alan Wilson, Kayla Sova, Shea Lynch, and Hannah Oram.

Mr. Hall reported receiving notice that schools are no longer able to issue Child Model Permits. These permits will now be issued through the New York State Division of Labor.

Mr. Hall reported the Food Service Department will be going through a Breakfast/Lunch Audit Review in the near future. During the audit process, inventory, donated foods, free & reduced lunch applications will be reviewed.

Mr. Hall reported community donations for the Holiday Season is tremendous.

Mr. Hall reported receiving a \$138.45 check for our participation in Energy Curtailment.

Mr. Hall reported the District received artifacts from Lillian Alexander, Copenhagen. These documents were in family storage and wanted the District to have. Mr. Hall passed around the artifacts and will be placing them in the Board of Education Conference Room.

Mr. Hall reported he would be attending a Fort Drum RISE Executive Committee Meeting. Mr. Hall indicated Guidance Counselors will be going to Syracuse University to review accelerated course options.

Mr. Hall reported the Boys’ and Girls’ had their Scholar Athlete Recognition Luncheon on Friday, December 6, 2013. The average for the girls’ was 94.65 and the average for the boys’ was 94.8.

Mr. Hall reported the Elementary Holiday Concert on December 4 went well.

Mr. Hall reported the Secondary Holiday Concert will be held on December 18. Mr. Hall also reported that Mr. Buell is back to work full time.

Mr. Hall reported he attended a FDRLO Meeting on December 5. At this meeting, Mr. Hall was informed that school districts across the nation with military connections are rated to determine if AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) has been met. The Education Consultant reported that all 18 schools in our consortium received AYP on a National front.

Mr. Hall reported he would be attending a FDELC Meeting on December 11, 2013 in Watertown.

Mr. Hall reported he would be attending a McKinney Vento meeting on Thursday in Syracuse.

Mr. Hall reported Mrs. Jennifer Berie received The American Red Cross Real Heroes Award.

Principal’s Report

Ms. Gaffney reported the District received a check in the amount of \$392.50 from All American Publishing Company for the athletic posters they publish.

Ms. Gaffney reported the District has been selected to participate in the National Assessment Educational Progress. On February 25, 2014, Grade 8 students will participate in the assessment. Ms. Gaffney will be notifying parents this week and parents can opt out by January 10, 2014.

Ms. Gaffney reported there was a 98 percent attendance at the elementary level for Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Ms. Gaffney reported Anti-Bullying Week was a great success. Students marched around the block with a banner pledging against bullying. Ms. Gaffney took the opportunity to share pictures with the Board of Education.

Ms. Gaffney reported the District may need to post for a Modified Softball Coach after January.

Ms. Gaffney took the opportunity to thank the Board of Education for reconsidering cheerleading for this school year. Even though there was not enough interest for this year there seems to be an interest for next year.

Ms. Gaffney reported she is now a Dignity for All Trainer. Her first training involved 130 people in Potsdam.

New Business

There was no New Business.

Board Issues

There were no Board Issues.

Old Business

Mr. Hall informed the Board of Education that he would be scheduling meetings with Addie Russell and Pattie Ritchie to discuss GAP elimination, Common Core and the fact that the mandates in New York State are crushing districts financially.

Mr. Hall reminded the Board of Education of the Mid-Winter Meeting on January 22, 2014 with Dr. Rick Timbs. The topic will be State Aid: How Rural Schools Continue to get “the short end of the stick” and how Boards of Education can influence Legislators/Policy Makers.

Julie Gayne reviewed with the Board of Education the 2014-15 Budget which will include some special education changes that involve BOCES cost due to new 2013-14 and potential new placements.

13-14 168

Adjourn

Moved by Green, seconded by Swain, to adjourn the meeting.

Yes: Allen, Phillips, Green, Swain, Townsend

No: None

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Sheri Rose, District Clerk

Gregg Townsend, Board President