

**North Warren Central School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
North Warren Central School
April 21, 2020**

Mr. Maday called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

School Board Members Present: Buckman (remote), Erickson, Freebern, Hill, LaGuerre (remote), Maday (remote), Swan (remote).

School Board Members Absent: none

Also Present: Michele G. French, Superintendent; Judith G. McAvey, District Clerk; Christopher Lail, Business Official (remote); Maggie Kelly, Elementary Principal (remote); Caleb Martin, Jr./Sr. Principal (remote).

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Freebern to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2020 Regular meeting of the Board of Education.

Motion carried unanimously.

4/6/20
Minutes
Approved

Mrs. French reports the bids for the Capital Project have been opened and they came in over budget. She would like to see the Board reject the bids and rebid in the fall. Mr. Griffiths reports the bids in most areas were over budget. He had spoken with bidders and one was even surprised he was the low bidder. Mr. Griffiths also suggests that given the bids and the current circumstances it would be most prudent to reject bids and rebid in the fall. He feels that bidding in the fall would provide the contractors more the time get materials and could potentially have bids come in lower. Mr. Buckman agrees that the bid should wait but does not necessarily feel the prices would go down in the fall. Mr. Erickson stated that whether the bids come in higher or lower right now is not the time to start the project.

Motion by Mr. Erickson, seconded by Mr. Freebern to reject all bids for the Capital Project and direct Mr. Griffith to re-bid the project in the fall of 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

Bids Rejected

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to accept the resignation of Raymond Cummings as Mathematics Teacher effective June 30, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

R. Cummings
Resignation
Accepted

Motion by Mr. Freebern, seconded by Mrs. Swan to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex Counties is authorized to expend the sums set forth in the Administrative Budget in the total amount of \$6,971,669.00 during the school year 2020-2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

BOCES
Administrative
Budget
Approved

Mr. Erickson shared information regarding the WSWHE BOCES Board candidates.

BOCES Board
Members Vote

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. Hill to cast a vote for the following BOCES Board of Education members: Mike Erickson

Paul Rice
Stephen Smoller.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. French reports that there was not enough time to meet with the Policy Committee about the proposed Use of Department of Education Grant Funds Policy. The district does need to approve the policy so federal funds can be used for certain payments. This is an emergency policy that has been reviewed by the school attorney and most districts are using it.

First Reading of Board Policy 5561 Use of Department of Education Grant Funds during Extraordinary Circumstances.

Policy 5561
Adopted

Motion by Mrs. LaGuerre, seconded by Mr. Erickson to waive the second reading and adopt Policy 5561 Use of Department of Education Grand Funds during Extraordinary Circumstances.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. French stated she has no information on the budget vote or board candidate elections at this time.

Mrs. Swan asked if there is any talk of summer school for students who may want to attend to make sure they have received all necessary materials. Mrs. French reports the district coordinates a summer school for students who need it to pass.

Motion by Mr. Buckman, seconded by Mrs. LaGuerre to adjourn at 6:45 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

District Clerk