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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Madison Central School was held on December 15, 2014 at 6:30 pm in the library..

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Beverly Biedermann
Mr. William Langbein
Mr. Jona Snyder
Mrs. Stephanie Tanner
Mr. Steven Yancey

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mrs. Bartlett-Linden
Mrs. Bridge

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Perry Dewey, Superintendent
Mr. Larry Nichols, Building Principal
Mrs. Melanie Brouillette, Treasurer
Ms. Tracey Lewis, District Clerk

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Mr. Snyder called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.
- II. Executive Session

MOTION # 1 – ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to enter into Executive Session at 6:31 pm to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, **employment**, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- III. Adjourn Executive Session and resume regular meeting

MOTION # 2 – ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to adjourn Executive Session at 6:37 pm. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

MOTION # 3 – RESUME REGULAR SESSION

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to resume Executive Session at 6:37 pm. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- IV. Agenda Additions
- V. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Agenda for This Meeting

MOTION # 4 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the agenda for this meeting. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- b. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. November 18, 2014 Audit and Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION # 5 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2014 Audit and Regular Meeting. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- VI. Public Forum
 - a. A question was raised asking for our code of conduct policy.
 - b. A couple community members asked for public forum opportunity during the Veteran’s Exemption discussion prior to the vote for approval or denial of such exemption.
 - c. Two large bags of knitted hats were created and donated to students of Madison Central School by Betty Johnson. Much gratitude and appreciation was expressed over her hard work and beautiful designs.
- VII. Reports
 - a. Treasurer
 - 1. Internal Claim Auditor’s Report

MOTION # 6 – APPROVAL OF INTERNAL CLAIM AUDITOR’S REPORT

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the Internal Claim Auditor’s Report. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- 2. Treasurer’s Report dated November 30, 2014

MOTION # 7 – APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 30, 2014 TREASURER’S REPORT

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to approve the November 30, 2014 Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- 3. Detail Warrants

MOTION # 8 – APPROVAL OF DETAIL WARRANTS

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board move to approve the Detail Warrants as follow: Warrant Number 20 –Fund A – 11/17/14 – 7 pages, Warrant Number 21 – Fund A – 12/2/14 – 1 page, Warrant Number 22 – Fund A – 12/11/14 – 7 pages, Warrant Number 12 – Fund C – 11/14/14 – 2 pages, Warrant Number 13 – Fund C – 12/2/14 – 1 page, Warrant Number 14 – Fund C – 11/26/14 – 2 pages, Warrant Number 5 – Fund TA – 12/2/14 – 4 pages, Warrant Number 3 – Fund HBUS – 12/2/14 – 1 page, Warrant Number 4 – Fund FA15 – 11/14/14 – 1 page, Warrant Number 5 – Fund FA15 – 11/26/14 – 1 page. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- 4. The Financial Status Report was provided for review.
- 5. Substitute Pay /Minimum Wage Rate Changes

MOTION # 9 – APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE PAY/MINIMUM WAGE RATE CHANGES

ON THE MOTION Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to approve the Minimum Wage Rate Change and Substitute Pay Rate Changes effective 1/1/15 as provided. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- b. Committee Reports
 - 1. Budget - The audit was reviewed, they will be meeting with department heads, waiting for reports from Building and Grounds and Curriculum committees.
 - 2. Building & Grounds - They met with March Associates for Building Condition Survey Report and reviewed the last two \$100,000 building projects.
 - 3. Curriculum, Sports, Music & Drama – no meeting/no report

4. Negotiations & Labor - no meeting/no report
 5. Policy – Policy in packet for first reading
 6. Strategic Plan – no meeting/no report
 7. Technology - no meeting/no report
 8. Safety – no meeting/no report
- c. Superintendent – Information Items
1. Mr. Dewey informed the board that Madison has been approved for additional TC3 Credits and DL courses.
 2. Mr. Dewey updated the board on the Building Projects. We are waiting for door cores and a punch list on the latest project and the EPC project continues to make progress.
 3. The feasibility of the creation of a golf team was discussed.
 4. Mr. Dewey discussed the Smart Schools money and the fact that the district is developing ideas of needed technology to request utilizing the Smart Schools money.
- d. Superintendent – Approval Items
1. Approval or Denial of Veterans Exemption – Lengthy Discussion preceded the vote
 - a. A resident asked that the board to consider the impact of the Star Exemption when voting.
 - b. A resident asked that the board consider what Veteran’s have given, the human loss as well, when voting.
 - c. A resident asked for clarification of the survey results.
 - d. A resident recommended that the board speak with legislators regarding this exemption and its impact on the district.
 - e. A resident asked questions about a deadline for the approval or denial of Veteran’s Exemption.
 - f. A resident asked that the board consider the service of our veterans when considering this exemption.
 - g. It was noted that the approval of this exemption would show respect to our veterans.
 - h. It was noted that the assessor’s office would need approval of any such changes by March 1st of each year.
 - i. It was noted that there are other options and ways to show respect and honor veterans such as state income tax breaks that would not have such an impact on fellow district taxpayers.
 - j. Much discussion continued revolving around the loss of state aid in the form of STAR reimbursement.

MOTION # 10 – DENIAL OF VETERAN’S EXEMPTION

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to deny the Veteran’s Exemption, noting deep respect. Motion carried 4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain. Mr. Langbein abstained due to being a veteran himself.

2. Approval of Mileage Rate effective 1/1/15 of \$.575 per mile

MOTION # 11 – APPROVAL OF MILEAGE RATE

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the mileage rate of \$.575 per mile effective 1/1/15. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

3. Approval of Resolution for Shared Services Study in conjunction with Hamilton, Madison, and Stockbridge Valley Schools

MOTION # 12 – APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR SHARED SERVICES STUDY

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the Resolution for Shared Services Study in conjunction with Hamilton, Madison, and Stockbridge Valley Schools. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

4. Approval of FFA Overnight Trip to Syracuse January 24-25, 2015

MOTION # 13 – APPROVAL OF FFA OVERNIGHT TRIP

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the FFA overnight trip scheduled for January 24-25, 2015 to Syracuse. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

- e. Building Principal Report
 1. Mr. Nichols presented his Building Principal's Report including updates on the successes of the winter concerts thus far, the Colgate tutoring program, NAEP assessments for seniors beginning this year, the AIS process being reviewed and the RIT process being reviewed.

VIII. Policy

- a. The first reading of Policy # 8502 – Programs for Students with Disability Under Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 was done at this time.

IX. Old Business

- a. None

X. New Business

- a. Personnel
 1. Leave Request
 - a. Tom Peckham – Leave Without Pay from both TA and Bus May 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 2015

MOTION # 14 – APPROVAL OF LEAVE REQUEST FOR TOM PECKHAM

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the Unpaid Leave Request of Tom Peckham for both TA and Bus Driving for May 1, 4, 5, 6, and 7, 2015. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

2. Tenure Recommendation
 - a. Michael Flint – Art Education Teacher with certification in Visual Arts effective 1/3/15

MOTION # 15 – APPROVAL OF TENURE FOR MICHAEL FLINT

ON THE MOTION of Ms. Biedermann, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, the board moved to approve the tenure of Michael Flint as Art Education Teacher with certification in Visual Arts effective 1/3/15. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

3. Appointments

MOTION # 16 – APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to approve the following appointments:

- a. Martha Mudong –Non- Certified Substitute Teacher, Teacher’s Assistant, Teacher’s Aide – effective 12/15/14
- b. Heather Dilworth – Substitute Teacher’s Aide, Substitute Bus Aide – effective 12/15/14
- c. James Crandall – Snow Plow Driver effective 12/15/14

Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

IX. Correspondence

- a. Richard Engelbrecht’s monthly BOCES newsletter dated December 2014 was provided.
- b. The monthly School Library Media Center Report for November 2014 was provided.
- c. The School Boards Institute Notice was provided.

X. Adjournment

MOTION # 17 – ADJOURNMENT

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Tanner, seconded by Ms. Biedermann, the board moved to adjourn for the evening at 7:42 pm. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.