

FILLMORE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PO Box 177, 104 West Main St.
Fillmore, NY 14735

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, April 18, 2013 @ 7 PM
Conference Room – C117

FUTURE MEETINGS

April 23, 2013
May 14, 2013
May 16, 2013

Special Board Meeting – 7:30 am
Budget Hearing – 7 pm
Board Meeting – 7 pm

The meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Board President Parmenter.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS:

Tom Parmenter, President	X	_____
Marcus Dean, Vice-President	X	_____
Paul Cronk, District Clerk	_____	X
Faith Roeske	_____	X
Sara Hatch	X	_____

ADMINISTRATION:

Ravo Root, Superintendent	X	_____
Kyle Faulkner, High School Principal	X	_____
Wendy Butler, PreK – 4 Principal/Curriculum Director	X	_____
Thomas Ricketts, Business Manager	X	_____
William Kelley, Guidance Counselor	_____	_____

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS/PUBLIC COMMENT**2. PROGRAMS/PRESENTATIONS**

2.1 Ag Issues Presentation – Evelyn Mehlenbacher, Cole Bennion, Dakota Slack, Paige Ando, Daniel Merriam, and Nathan Wagoner talked about the subject of "Should food that contains genetically modified ingredients be labeled so that the consumer will know that it contains those ingredients". They discussed the pros and cons of labeling

Fillmore FFA team has competed at the district level and will compete at the state level next. Should all products containing 1 % or more of genetically altered foods have a label? Proposition 37 in California was proposed last year and voted down.

Pros

- Consumers should know what is in their food
- 60% of current food contains GMO's, consumers are not harmed by it but don't know it either
- Some religious or ethical groups may not want to buy modified crops they deserve to know what is and isn't
- Label law will get people to be more concerned about what they are labeling
- Food production will increase

Cons

- \$403,700,000 spent to show that genetically modified foods will not harm people
- Patents allow some companies to have monopoly on foods
- May make people worried with no damage to their health
- Consumers grocery bill will go up \$350-400 per year, due to equipment to separate GMO and non GMO crops, labeling and shipping costs of keeping foods separate
- Possible concern of GMO's causing allergies, could cause potential severe allergy
- With cross pollination some modified crops may grow in non modified fields

2.2 Pre-Audit Presentation – Nikki James

Risk assessment of operational areas

Possible areas that could be tested

- Fiscal accountability training for new Board Members
- Property tax collections
- Budget development and administration- Nikki could audit this process and make suggestions
- Maintenance labor – look at staffing level
- Scholarships what the stipulations are and how they are followed

Board selects Governance/Control Environment and Property Tax Collection

3. DISCUSSION/REPORTS

3.1 Principal Faulkner -

- Mr. Faulkner shared that we completed ELA testing, makeups will follow. Process went well, teachers did a nice job to make it easy on the kids. Next week is math for 3 days.
- Senior trip is next week, they are going to Great Wolf Lodge in the Poconos and then on to Washington D.C. where they will go to the aquarium, watch a baseball game and see D.C..
- Middle School Awards are coming up. Parents are invited to attend.
- High School Spring Music Concert will be May 8th and the Middle School Spring Concert will be May 14th.
- Which Board Member will be on stage for graduation? This will be determined on April 23.
- Presentations will be done through Center of Exploited and Missing Children on May 6.

3.2 Superintendent's Report –

- **Brief Article Discussion on Communicating the Board Agenda** – Mr. Root and the Board of Education discussed a professional development article on communicating a School Board Agenda. The article was taken from a book titled, Effective School Board Meetings, by Rene Townsend, James Brown, and Walter Buster. Mr. Root discussed and reflected on how the Board Agenda is currently communicated.
- **State Testing Update** – Administration of the English test went well. Students who missed school on a test day are making it up during the makeup period. Math testing will occur on April 24-26.
- **Budget Presentations Update** – Mr. Ricketts and Mr. Root are hoping to meet with the former Rotary Club, a group of retired teachers who eat breakfast together on a monthly basis and the >>> The budget hearing open to the entire public will be held on Tuesday, May 14 in the small gym.
- **Front Door Update** – The local locksmith has latched the two doors, BOCES installed the wiring for the project and Simplex made sure the outdoor and interior fobs will work for the same fob. DSS is scheduled to complete the project next Wednesday if all goes well.
- **Miles for Smiles Update** – Student presentations will occur on May 3 for students across grades K-12. The program is completely voluntary and offers students a free dental screening, cleaning, fluoride treatment, home care instructions, toothbrush / floss and sealants for students in grades 2 and 3. If a child is identified with a cavity a referral to a dentist will be shared with the parent. Of course, the parent can choose what dentist the child will ultimately see. Permission slips will be sent home to all students. Both parents who would like their child to participate along with parents who would not like their child to participate will be asked to sign and return the permission slip. Mrs. Parmenter, our school nurse is developing a web site on our school page to share more information about the program with parents and students. Mr. Root is excited about the opportunity for families to receive free dental care for their students while they are at school.
- **Spring Cattaraugus Allegany Dinner** - The annual Spring Dinner for School Boards in Catt. Ally will be held on April 25.

The speaker will be David Little, Executive Director Of Governmental Relations addressing us on April 25, 2013 at Moonwinks in Cuba, NY. Registration is at 6:00 with dinner at 6:30

- **National Academic Championship:** Both our middle and senior high teams will attend the National Academic Championships in Alexandria, Virginia. We wish both teams the best of luck!

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 4.1 A motion was made by Hodnett, seconded by Dean for the board to enter Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

The board entered Executive session at 8:22 pm.

- 4.2 A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Hodnett for the board to move out of Executive Session and resume regular meeting.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

The board entered regular session at 9:13 pm.

5. BUSINESS/FINANCE:

- 5.1 Business Administrator's Report

- Treasurer's report shared by Tom Ricketts. State provides the Spring payment advance in March.
- Independent auditor could not be chosen by Brock, Schechter and Polakoff, LLP. There is an extensive pre-can audit that will reveal proposals for external auditors. Every few years the state recommends Boards hire a new auditor.
- Mr. Root has budget introductory letter completed, budget portion of newsletter is being finalized.
- Absentee ballots are available very soon. Information on absentee ballots will be provided in the newsletter.

- 5.2 A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Hatch to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of March and to grant the authority to pay the necessary April bills with the Treasurer's Report to be presented at the May Board of Education meeting.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

6. WORK SESSION: Board will discuss and determine budget for next year.

Increases to budget include additional BOCES programming for students – for example, 5 students have requested enrollment in the New Visions Program, E-rate project to add access points, \$100,000 energy project, Health insurance increases, ERS and TRS increases are over \$100,000.

Tax Levy - \$2,301,810 with a 3.91% increase
Fillmore has the third lowest tax levy in comparison to 43 school districts across Allegany, Cattaraugus, Steuben and Livingston.

7. OTHER:

- Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 16, 2013.

8. CONSENT VOTE:

- A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Dean to approve the minutes of March 19, 2013 Board of Education meeting.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

9. APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM:

- 9.1 A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Dean to approve adding addendum to the agenda of the April 18, 2013 meeting.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

10. OLD BUSINESS**11. NEW BUSINESS**

- 11.1 A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Hatch to approve the proposed 2013- 2014 school budget for Fillmore Central School District in the amount \$14,497,538

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

- 11.2 A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Parmenter to approve the following resolution:

Resolved that pursuant to New York State Education Law, Title 1; Article 9; Section 409K, and under the guidelines established by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the Board of Education has determined that an emergency use of herbicide on the athletic fields located at Fillmore Central School for the Spring of 2013 is hereby approved.

2 Aye 0 Nay 1 Abstain Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

- 11.3 A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Dean to approve the following transportation requests during the 2013-14 school year. This approval is contingent upon meeting the requirements of law and regulations of the NYS Commissioner of Education.

To Castile Christian Academy

- Grace and Hope Russell (children of Michelle Russell)
- Alexandra and Zachary Tucker (children of Steven and Kim Tucker)
- Elizabeth Wright (child of Dale and Margaret Wright)

To Houghton Academy

- Dylan and Kirsten Babbitt (children of Jeff and Angela Babbitt)
- Ashley and Brianna Burgess (children of Brian and Leah Burgess)
- Faith and Moriah Reinbold (children of Tad and Wendy Reinbold)
- Jordan and Zachary Roberts (children of Karis Roberts)
- Jacob Sardina (child of Chris and Sarah Sardina)
- Andrew Yanda (child of Allen and Deborah Yanda)
- Bonnie Duan and Wendy Do (children staying with Jennifer Brown)

To Hodnett School

- Laura Byler (child of Mose Byler)
- Caleb, Ephraim and Mervin Girod (children of Emanuel Girod Jr)
- Harley, Irene, Sylvia, Melissa and Susan Miller (Children of John Miller)
- Catherine and Ivan Miller (children of Levi Miller)
- Ruth, Amanda, Alan, Lovina and Eli Miller (Children of Reuben Miller)
- Steven and Willie Miller (children of Rudy Miller)
- Katie, Emma, Barbara and Lydia Shetler (children of Emanuel Shetler)
- Rachel, Leah and Malinda Yoder (children of Daniel and Martha Yoder)
- Wilmer, Lucy, Paul and Nathan Yoder (children of Simon Yoder)

To Pleasant View School

- Martha, Anna, Toby and Isaac Byler (children of Daniel and Veronica Byler)
- Judy, Carolyn, Amanda, Emily Rose and Jason Wayne Byler (children of Samuel and Celesta Byler)
- Edith and Regina Girod (children of Ben Girod)
- Edwin, Gary, Regina and Margaret Girod (children of David Girod)
- Sylvia Girod (child of Johnny and Mary Girod)
- Elizabeth Girod (child of Mahlon Girod)
- Christina, Betty, Samuel and Matthew Hershberger (children of Lester Hershberger)
- Anna, Henry, Rebekah and Aaron Miller (children of Mahlon and Miriam Miller)
- Marvin and Kristina Schwartz (children of Marvin Schwartz)

To Rustic Hollow School

- Joseph, Ada and Reuben Miller (children of Abe Miller)
- Michael, Elam and Aden Miller (children of Adam Miller)
- Laura, Calvin, Emma, Clara and David Miller (children of Daniel Miller)
- Marie, Laura, Eli, Fannie and Ella Raber (children of Abe and Lydia Raber)
- Martha and Barbara Shetler (children of Enos Shetler)
- Sarah, Wilbur, Ida Sue, Laura and Herman Yoder (children of John and Irene Yoder)

To Sunny Meadow School

- Ivan, Abner and Freeman Hershberger (children of Henry and Polly Hershberger)
- Marie and David Shetler (children of John and Mary Shetler)
- Andy, Enos, Laura, Ella and Noah Shetler (children of Levi and Amanda Shetler)

- 3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried
- 11.4 A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Parmenter to approve the list of District items to be declared as surplus and disposed of in accordance with District Policy.

- 10 metal student desks with broken legs
- 1 Two drawer filing cabinet with broken doors
- 1 Gas Stove with controls that are broken. Gas oven does not light anymore – 27 years old.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

12. PERSONNEL

- 12.1 A motion was made by Dean seconded by Hatch to approve Jacob Thomas for the position of custodian pending he meets all civil service requirements.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Jacob Thomas	Custodial	4/18/13

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

- 12.2 A motion was made by Hatch seconded by Dean to approve Diana Brown for the position of typist pending she meets all civil service requirements.

Name	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Diana Brown	Typist	4/18/13

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

- 12.3 A motion was made by Dean seconded by Hatch to approve Stacy Marcy-Asberry as a long term substitute teacher to cover the leave of absence by Chelsey Aylor on or before 5/13/13 until 6/21/13.

NAME	DEGREE	CERTIFICATION	GRADE LEVEL
Stacy Marcy-Asberry	Bachelor's	Elementary Grades 1-6 (Pending)	Grades 1 & 2

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

13. CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 13.1 Having reviewed the recommendations developed by the CSE/CPSE for special education programs and services from March 19, 2013 to April 17, 2013, a motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Dean to approve said recommendations.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 14.1 A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Dean for the board to enter Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

The board entered Executive session at 10:15 pm.

- 14.2 A motion was made by Dean, seconded by Hatch for the board to move out of Executive Session and resume regular meeting.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

The board entered regular session at 10:56 pm.

15. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Dean to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 pm.

3 Aye 0 Nay Absent 2 (Cronk and Roeske) Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Ravo Root, Superintendent
Fillmore Central School
Board of Education

IMPORTANT DATES/INFORMATION

- ◆ Middle School Awards Assembly – May 3rd @ 8:45 am
- ◆ High School Spring Music Concert – May 8th @ 7 pm
- ◆ Grades 4-8 Spring Music Concert – May 14th @ 1:30 & 7 pm
- ◆ May 21 VOTE on the School Budget and School Board Candidate