

Board of Education, Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 18, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held in the high school library media center and was called to order by President Raymond Parmarter at 6:30 p.m., with the following additional board members present: Gary Henry, James Douglas, Hannah Murray, Michael Blake and Brent Doane, as well as Superintendent Jeffrey Kisloski.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 6:30 p.m., a motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Brent Doane, to adjourn to executive session to discuss a particular personnel matter. All board members listed above were present as well as Superintendent Jeffrey Kisloski. At 6:35 p.m., Superintendent Kisloski exited executive session. At 6:35 p.m., Claims Auditor Kathlyn Hinkle entered executive session to discuss the Claims Audit report. At 6:42 p.m., Mrs. Hinkle exited executive session and Superintendent Kisloski returned to executive session. Business Manager/Treasurer Sydney Wade also entered executive session at this time. Mrs. Wade exited at 6:55 p.m.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:

At 7:00 p.m., Brent Doane made a motion, seconded by James Douglas, to return to regular session. The motion carried unanimously. All board members listed above were present, as well as: Superintendent Jeffrey Kisloski, Elementary Principal Kathryn Volpicelli, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kimberleigh Nichols, and Board Clerk Kathlyn Hinkle.

MINUTES APPROVED:

A motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Brent Doane, to approve the minutes of the Regular/Reorganizational Meeting held on July 7, 2016, as presented, noting an error in the roll call vote for the nomination of the Board President and the Vice-President, the Ayes should be 7, not 6. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Michael Blake, seconded by James Douglas, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 20, 2016, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Business Manager/Treasurer Sydney Wade's report to the Board.

Mrs. Wade was not present for the regular session of the meeting. A summary of her written report to the Board is as follows.

This month's packet includes the Treasurer's Report for June, budget transfers for June, scholarship funds report for June and tax rate calculation and tax rate comparison.

Mrs. Wade provided a report that reviews different aspects of the tax levy for 2016-2017. As the levy only increased 1.32%, most changes from 2015-2016 to 2016-2017 are very comparable (tax rates by town and tax levy paid by town). Mrs. Wade stated that the true value of the District (total assessed value adjusted for each town's equalization rate) increased by \$190,000. The True Value tax rate increased from \$21.96 to \$22.12, a 16 cent increase. Equalization rates stayed relatively stable. The levy increased .79% from 2015-2016 to 2016-2017, which is within the tax cap. This allows the District residents to qualify for the Tax Freeze Rebate payment from the State. Mrs. Wade also listed an estimate of the tax increase on a home assessed at \$100,000. The approximate increase would be about \$16.00 for 2016-2017.

TREASURER'S REPORTS ACCEPTED:

A motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Hannah Murray, to accept the Treasurer's report for June 2016, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET TRANSFERS APPROVED:

A motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Gary Henry, to accept the Budget Transfers for the month of June 2016, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

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WARRANTS ACCEPTED:

A motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Brent Doane, to accept the following Warrants for June 2016, as presented: General Fund #62, Federal Fund #36, School Lunch Fund #32, and Capital Fund #13. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Gary Henry, to accept the following Warrants for July 2016, as presented: General Fund #1, School Lunch Fund #1, and Capital Fund #1. The motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

President Parmarter acknowledged that there were no visitors present at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kisloski, a motion was made by James Douglas, seconded by Brent Doane, to approve the following personnel items, pending fingerprint-supported criminal history background checks, where applicable*:

Resignations:

Accept the resignation of **Logan Mahlum**, as Long-Term Substitute English Teacher, effective June 23, 2016, with regret.

Accept the resignation of **Marlo Weaver**, as Spanish Teacher, effective August 31, 2016, with regret.

Accept the resignation of **Jodi Carling**, as Assistant Field Hockey Coach, effective August 1, 2016, with regret.

Accept the resignation of **Brad Bates**, as Modified Girls Soccer Coach, effective August 1, 2016, with regret.

Recommended Appointments:

Approve the appointment of **Mariah Young**, as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher for Fourth Grade, effective September 26, 2016 through December 19, 2016 (dates are subject to change). Salary and benefits will be in accordance with the 2016-2017 Substitute Teacher's Salary Schedule.

Approve the appointment of **Michael Rautine**, as a Regular Bus Driver, effective September 1, 2016, with salary and benefits in accordance with the 2016-2017 Candor Schools Employees Unit Contract. (Michael will retain his current hourly position as a Full-Time Custodial Worker.)

Approve the following *Substitute Teacher List for 2016 - 2017*, with salaries in accordance with the current 2016-2017 Substitute Teacher Pay Schedule:

Jean Ahart – EL Only	Judith Groves – EL Only	Deanna Perkosky – EL & HS
Walter Baer – EL & HS	Lynda Hart – EL & HS	Ashley Peters – EL Only
Katie Barnett – EL & HS	Barbara Hopkins – EL & HS	Kelly Severance – EL Only
Justine Barnhart – HS Only	Deanna Houck – EL Only	Ann Staiger – HS Only
Lynn Britt – EL & HS	Stacy Hoyt – EL Only	Sabrina Swartz – EL Only
Donald Burns – HS Only	Cyndy Hynes – EL & HS	Cindy Switzer – EL & HS
Gabriel Condon – EL & HS	Mary Kushner – EL & HS	David Turner – HS Only
Danielle Cumbo – EL, HS, SE	Dianne Lynn – HS Only	Kristi VanDusen – EL & HS
Jessica Dougherty – EL & HS	Courtney Malia – EL & HS	Peggy Williams – EL Only
Linda Duskey – EL & HS	Kevin McKenna – HS Only	Julie Wold – EL, HS, SE
Krista Easton – EL & HS	Tanya Mlodzinski – EL Only	Aubrey Worthing – EL Only
Jill Fraley – EL Only	Steven Pantle – HS Only	Mariah Young – EL & HS

Approve the following *Non-Instructional Substitute List for 2016-2017*, as presented, with salaries in accordance with the 2016-2017 Non-Instructional Substitute Pay Schedule:

Attendance Aide/Front Desk:	Wanda Clemins, Lisa Munson, Tammy Scofield, and Rebecca Tuttle
Bus Drivers:	Larry Blinn, Sandra Blinn, Robert Carlucci, Cindy Jantz, and John Tompkins

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Clerical/Secretarial:	Wanda Clemins, Tammy Scofield, Rebecca Tuttle, and Kathleen Wagstaff
Custodial:	Joshua Hover and Steve Kelley
Food Services:	Gloria Aagaard, Joseph Bell, Zina Benjamin, Doris Hutchings, Cindy Jantz, Eric Paluch, Tammy Scofield, Renee Shaver, and Rebecca Tuttle
Nurse:	Dale Anderson, Michelle McNamara
Teacher Aide:	Zina Benjamin, Wanda Clemins, Bonnie Collins, Danielle Cumbo, Dina Dizer, Linda Duskey, Kathryn Chao Yan Gillule, Doris Hutchings, Connie Middleton, Heather Parkin, Tammy Scofield, Rebecca Tuttle, and Kathleen Wagstaff
Transportation Aide:	Gary Jordan

Approve the Extra-Curricular Additions for the 2016-2017 school year, with salary in accordance with the 2016-2017 Extra-Curricular Pay Schedule:

1. **Dave Russell** - Varsity Cross Country Coach
2. **Lisa Cantone** - Elementary Homework Club Co-Advisor (.5)
3. **Ashley Applegarth** - Elementary Homework Club Co-Advisor (.5)
4. **Ryan Meigs** - Modified Girls Soccer Coach
5. **Jessica Boynton** - Assistant Field Hockey Coach
6. Volunteers: **Brittney Noble** – Volleyball

Approve the appointment of **Lindsey Vymislicky***, as a Long-Term Substitute English Teacher, effective September 1, 2016 through February 1, 2017. Salary and benefits will be in accordance with the 2016-2017 Substitute Teacher's Salary Schedule.

Bus Driver List:

Approve the following *Bus Driver List for 2016-2017*, as presented:

Boyd Andrews, Ed Bennett, Jr., Bernard Blinn, Larry Blinn, Sandra Blinn, Robert Carlucci, Russell Corpin, Jennifer Hill, John Tompkins, Cindy Jantz, Daren Jensen, Connie Jordan, Pam Krause, Gary Morse, Robin Morse, Wm. Randy Murray, Greg Nichols, Michael Rautine, René Shaver, LaVerne E. Smith, Jr., LaVerne L. Smith, John Tompkins, Gerard Troeger, Amanda Yarrington

Tax Warrant:

Approve the *Tax Warrant for 2016-2017*, as presented:

"To the Collector of School Taxes of Candor Central School District, Tioga and Tompkins Counties, State of New York,

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED:

1. To collect taxes in the total sum of \$5,367,015 (\$5,349,015 for the School Budget and \$18,000.00 for the Candor Free Library Association), in the same manner that collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes.
2. To give notices in accordance with Section 1322 of the Real Property Tax Law.
3. To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons on the attached tax list the sums shown thereon, or as much thereof as is voluntarily paid to you, during the period of September 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016, without penalty.

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4. To collect during the period October 1, 2016, through October 31, 2016, the residue of the sums not paid, together with 2 percent interest penalty (24 percent per annum) as prescribed by Section 1328 of the Real Property Tax Law.
5. To return this warrant by November 15, 2016, and if any taxes on this tax list shall be unpaid as of October 31, 2016, you shall deliver to us an account thereof as prescribed by Section 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.

This warrant is issued by authority of Article 13 of the Real Property Tax Law, and has the same force and effect as a warrant and tax list issued by the Board of Supervisors. It is effective immediately after it is properly signed by the majority of the members of the Board of Education.

Non Instructional Pay Schedule:

Approve the *Non-Instructional Substitute Pay Schedule 2016-2017*, as presented.

Substitute Teacher Pay Schedule:

Approve the *Substitute Teacher Pay Schedule 2016-2017*, as presented.

Arts in Education Donation:

Accept the donation of \$2,960.00 from the Merry-Go-Round Playhouse as a gift to the CCS General Fund for the Arts in Education program.

Bus Financing Bid Acceptance:

Bids for the financing of school buses were received by the deadline and opened on August 5, 2016 by Business Manager/Treasurer Sydney Wade and Superintendent Jeffrey Kisloski.

The bids received for a loan amount of \$286,475.31, over a five-year period, were as follows:

<i>Municipal Asset Management, Inc.</i>	- 2.28% annually - 5 annual payments of \$59,907.05/ea.
<i>Municipal Leasing Consultants</i>	- 2.47% annually - 5 annual payments of \$60,124.59/ea.

Upon the recommendation from Superintendent Kisloski, approve that the bid for the financing for lease-purchase of three (3) sixty-five passenger buses, as approved by the voters of the district on May 17, 2016, be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Municipal Asset Management, Inc., 25288 Foothills Drive North, Golden, CO 80401, for a loan amount of \$286,475.31 at an annual rate of 2.28%, over a five-year period.

Bus Disposal/Trade-In:

Approve the disposal of buses #49, #50, and #51 through trade-in to New York Bus Sales, against the purchase of new buses #68, #69, and #70.

The motion for all consent agenda items was unanimous.

Administrator Reports:

Jr/Sr High School Principal Wayne Aman's report to the Board.

Mr. Aman was not present for the meeting. A summary of his written report to the Board is as follows.

Mr. Aman listed a few items of interest as opening day approaches

Meet the Coaches Night for the merged sports teams was held on August 11th at the Spencer-Van Etten HS auditorium, and the first day of practice was August 15th.

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The Steering Committee spent significant time over the past several months planning and preparing for the fall season, and everyone is excited to see the teams on the field.

Mr. Aman stated that the Districts will face some challenges along the way, but will work together to find solutions. The revised Athletic Code of Conduct will be posted on the school website so parents can have easy access. Mr. Aman would like to thank the Candor and Spencer-Van Etten Boards of Education, administrators, coaches, transportation directors and booster clubs for their support and assistance.

Mr. Aman stated that, looking towards the winter season, the Steering Committee is recommending the Candor and S-VE Wrestling programs merge. With participation numbers fluctuating, this will help secure a wrestling program for both districts moving forward. The athletic directors are going to talk with the section about participating next season as the SVEC Eagles.

Mr. Aman informed the Board that the State Education Department is requiring all NYS school districts hold four mandatory lockdown drills this school year. These lockdown drills will replace four of the twelve required fire drills mandated by the state. Mr. Aman will review lockdown procedures with the faculty on opening day, and will discuss the new requirements so teachers are prepared.

Mr. Aman stated that the High School has wrapped another successful summer school session. Many students were able to recover credits and get additional academic support. The middle school students were able to assist buildings and grounds with cleaning and preparing for next school year. He would like to thank Mina TenEyck, Tracy Maxwell, Nate Thomas and Mark Burrell for working with the students during the program this summer.

Mr. Aman would like to thank Katie Anderson, Leslie Thomas, Jason Banks and Beth Gance-Virkler for working on the master schedule and preparing for opening day. He stated that most people do not realize the amount of effort that goes into preparing for a school year, but it is significant. He added that he appreciates all they do to make opening day great.

Elementary Principal Kathryn Volpicelli presented her report to the Board.

Mrs. Volpicelli stated that as the summer winds down, the first day of school jitters begin. It has been a busy summer and there is still a lot of preparation to be done before we welcome the students back.

Mrs. Volpicelli spoke of the parking lot construction. She stated that it has been a bit tricky to enter the building as the parking lots have been inaccessible due to construction. However, the staff has been great about helping teachers get materials in and out of the building. Once the parking lots are finished, the Elementary will communicate any changes to arrival and dismissal procedures. Extra faculty and staff assigned to the outside of the building will ensure minimal confusion and the top priority of student safety.

Mrs. Volpicelli stated that the elementary office has been busy with new enrollments this summer, approximately 25-30. Kindergarten enrollment is up to about 45, which will make for small class sizes. They are putting final touches on schedules and calendars this week as they prepare faculty and staff welcome packets.

Mrs. Volpicelli informed the Board that they interviewed for a Long-Term Substitute position to cover for Lorisa Bates on July 27th. The committee decided to hire Mariah Young who has been busy subbing in the Spencer-Van Etten School District. They are excited to welcome her to the team in September. Through the process, the District was also able to hire some additional daily substitutes as well.

Mrs. Volpicelli stated that the Teacher Aides participated in a full day of training on July 20th. Most of the Teacher Aides attended. The training included team challenges, confidentiality activities, and scenarios/role playing. It was certainly time well spent and they all enjoyed being together. The elementary school will have 16 part-time Teacher Aides in the building for the 2016-2017 school year, which is a few less than last year. After looking at schedules and keeping student support as the priority, they feel confident that they have high quality individuals that will continue to make a huge impact on student success.

Mrs. Volpicelli informed the Board that the elementary school had 10 teachers attend a Responsive Classroom workshop at Lansing High School from August 15th-August 18th. The Responsive Classroom approach to teaching emphasizes academic, social, and emotional growth in a strong school community. Teachers are excited for the opportunity to gain new strategies to continue to promote classroom environments in which students will thrive. Mrs. Volpicelli added that the workshop offered a great positive approach on how to set up a classroom. She stated that she is always proud to be a part of such a great group of teachers.

Mrs. Volpicelli stated that she is eager to participate in two professional development opportunities offered through TST BOCES this year. Leveraged Leadership is a program designed to support school leaders in developing the high performance structures and systems which positively impact student achievement.

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Lead Evaluator of Teachers Training Series will meet 5 times throughout the school year. Mrs. Volpicelli informed the Board that the Music Department is proposing a reduction in the number of elementary concerts from three to two for the upcoming school year. They also hope to move the holiday concert that is typically held in December to the beginning of February. The intent is to increase the level of preparedness of the students before they perform. Promoting student success within the program is essential. However, continuing traditions that have been in the community for many years is also important. Making a decision that is best for students, including their community and families has proven to be a bit difficult. She has discussed this issue with many different factions and gathered many opinions. She listed a summary of benefits and drawbacks of this proposal. She stated that the teachers and herself greatly value the input of the Board, as elected representatives of the community, regarding this idea as a pilot for 2016-2017 school year.

The Board of Ed members, Superintendent Kisloski, and Mrs. Volpicelli discussed the pros and cons of making a change to the traditional concert dates and Mrs. Volpicelli will continue conversations with the Elementary Music staff.

Mrs. Volpicelli provided the Board with a final report of Camp Candor, as submitted by Amy Parillo, the Camp Director.

Director of Special Education Holly Carling's report to the Board.

Mrs. Carling was not present for the meeting. A summary of her written report to the Board is as follows. Mrs. Carling listed the recent numbers for CSE, CPSE and 504 students for the 2016-2017 school year, as well as numbers of students in out of district placements, during the summer months and the regular school session.

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kimberleigh Nichols presented her report to the Board.

Mrs. Nichols informed the Board of the Project Based Learning program for 2016-2017. They held three district sponsored PBL sessions this summer. The sessions were held June 27 - 29, June 29 - July 1, and August 2 - 4. Over a three-day period, teachers were engaged in either refining their PBL unit from last year or creating a new one. Fifty-nine of the teachers participated over the course of the three sessions. Eight others had originally signed up, but were unable to attend due to family/personal circumstances.

The following goals/learning targets directed the work:

- Refine current PBL or create a new project.
- Design an effective Driving Question (DQ) that incorporates true student inquiry and fosters student creativity.
- Design around an authentic product.
- Create an effective rubric or a process by which the students will help create a rubric.
- Incorporate student self-reflection, critique and revision, and conferencing into PBL unit.
- Increase knowledge of instructional technology.
- Engage in a blended approach as an instructional strategy.

Mrs. Nichols stated that based on the teachers' excitement, engagement, accomplishments and feedback, this summer proved to be another success. She would like to thank Superintendent Jeffrey Kisloski and the Board of Education for supporting this effort. She stated that not only is it time devoted to hone everyone's skills as professional educators, but it also strengthens the collegial and personal relationships that are the foundation of the District's positive educational environment.

Mrs. Nichols thanked Matt Gelder for being a great co-presenter, as well as Jeffrey Kisloski, Holly Carling, Katie Volpicelli, and Ben Taylor for helping to plan and facilitate the activities. She added that it was truly an engaging and inspiring opportunity.

Mrs. Nichols updated the Board on observations and PBL visits. She and Wayne Aman, Katie Volpicelli, and Holly Carling will share the responsibility of formally observing the teachers again this year. Mrs. Nichols plans to visit each teacher for their unannounced observation. Her hope is to provide teachers with specific feedback based on a goal area they will identify at the beginning of the year.

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For example, if a teacher wants feedback or suggestions on how to better use higher level questioning or learning targets, then she will share resources and observational feedback and the opportunity to engage in ongoing feedback.

Mrs. Nichols stated that Matt Gelder is creating a shared Google calendar that teachers can post their PBL dates on. This should allow them an efficient way to manage their time and ability to observe many of this year's PBL units. She added that she will continue to keep the Board updated throughout the year.

Mrs. Nichols spoke of the Peer Visits. She stated that over the past two years, teachers have been able to visit a classroom for one of the following reasons: to see a specific teacher, to observe a specific use of technology within the classroom, to observe a specific instructional strategy, or to see a group of their own students in a different learning environment. This practice has allowed the faculty to connect with their peers, share instructional practices, and encourages professional conversations. During the Teacher Leadership Academy this summer, the suggestion was made to offer teachers the opportunity to partner with a peer for the year. Teachers could create a common goal, visit each other's classrooms multiple times and engage in deeper, more focused, ongoing conversations. Mrs. Nichols added that she would be glad to hear any of the Board's thoughts on this new possibility.

Technology Integration Coordinator Matt Gelder's report to the Board.

Mr. Gelder was not present for the meeting. A summary of his written report to the Board is as follows.

Mr. Gelder informed the Board about the Summer Curriculum Work/Technology Training. He stated that the three teacher training sessions have been completed with 60 of the teachers attending three days of PBL/Technology training. In addition to the components of PBL, the teachers explored a few learning management systems (LMS) that could be used to provide a more blended approach to their classrooms. Services like Google Classroom or Schoology allow teachers to blend in-person instruction with content that can be accessed digitally anywhere, anytime. Mr. Gelder stated that the growth in the teacher's comfort level with digital tools over the last few years was apparent during the summer curriculum work as they easily navigated the new online tools. Mr. Gelder stated that he spent far less time this year running around solving problems because teachers were both more comfortable solving their own questions and were able to help each other. He added that the teachers continue to inspire him with their excitement about learning and teaching. Mr. Gelder stated that it was great working with Kimberleigh Nichols again to seamlessly marry their curriculum and technology initiatives. He added that he cannot thank her enough for her thoughtful insights, humor, and passion for education.

Mr. Gelder informed the Board that more Chromebooks and iPads have arrived to help support the demand for digital access in the classroom. He knows that teachers are excited to have these resources available to supplement their curriculum and engage their students. He will be spending time over the next few weeks continuing to get devices enrolled in the Google Domain and making sure that student user accounts are ready for the upcoming school year.

Mr. Gelder informed the Board that he and Ben Taylor spent a few days getting more familiar with eDoctrina at a training in Buffalo in July. This software is a replacement of the current bubble reading software that includes new features at a considerable cost savings to the district. A handful of teachers are already utilizing the software while the remaining teachers will be introduced to the software on September 1st. He and Mr. Taylor will work with teachers throughout the year to help them maximize the collection and interpretation of data about student learning that will allow them to adjust their teaching to student needs.

Director of Operations Bern Smith's report to the Board.

Mr. Smith was not present at the meeting. A summary of his written report to the Board is as follows.

Mr. Smith updated the Board on the work being done in the Transportation Department since the last meeting. Shane Smith completed the summer fleet reconditioning and the buses look pretty good. Greg Nichols continued bus inspections, general maintenance and prepped the three (3) new school buses for fall use. Daren Jensen had drivers and buses ready for the summer school programs, as well as handling the day to day transportation operations.

For the District, Dave O'Konsky and the flooring crew actually finished scheduled floors about two weeks early. This allowed summer workers to go into each building and concentrate on little items possibly overlooked or needing further attention.

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The building project is moving along. Mr. Smith believes it will come closer to the end of August for Phase I completion, but the contractors are doing a great job for the District.

Mr. Smith stated that as summer draws to a close and the new school year starting, he would like to thank all of his staff – the Transportation department, Buildings & Grounds, Maintenance, and the student Summer Workers. He stated that they worked as hard, without complaints from heat, current construction, or the amount of work required this summer as any group he has had the pleasure of working with or supervising. He added that his workers are quite simply the best.

Mr. Smith stated that he is looking forward to another great year ahead, and is thankful each day to be a part of this educational family.

Network Administrator's Log for July 2016 was submitted.

Superintendent Jeffrey Kisloski presented his report to the Board.

Superintendent Kisloski stated that this has been a particularly busy yet productive summer.

The capital project work has been moving along steadily and without major incidents. Bern Smith and Campus Construction have been monitoring all aspects of the project. He stated that the project has moved forward as smoothly as any construction work he has been associated with. Bern Smith has, and continues to, manage the capital work as well as the regular summer maintenance and cleaning. Mr. Kisloski thanked Bern Smith.

Superintendent Kisloski stated that once again, the summer staff development exceeded his expectations. Kimberleigh Nichols and Matt Gelder provided all available staff with another workshop using Project Based Learning as the platform. The teachers were impressed with the expert coordination and facilitation provided by Mrs. Nichols and Mr. Gelder and appreciative of the time to work together. Superintendent Kisloski believes that this opportunity to learn and work together is superior to any professional development provided at virtually any conference or workshop available to teachers.

Superintendent Kisloski informed the Board that the annual Teacher Leadership Academy training was once again a total success. 19 teachers were able to attend the 2 ½ days of Discovering Leadership and a goal setting exercise. This year's goal, developed by teachers, centers around the theme "Igniting your passion with purpose". The theme has its roots in the concept expressed in the Ted Talk by Shawn Achor called the Happiness Advantage. Superintendent Kisloski provided the Board with a link to the video: https://youtu.be/GXy_kBVq1M. Superintendent Kisloski stated that, loosely translated, this year's goal for the District is that everyone has a goal, something they are passionate about, that will directly or indirectly benefit students. The task of the district will be to provide systems and support for people to pursue their goals individually and collectively. This concept is also closely related to Googles 80-20 program or the Genius Hour project. They hope to pilot this program with the instructional staff and expand it to all employees and all students in the future.

Superintendent Kisloski updated the Board on the sports merger. He stated that excitement is building as the District is closer to the sports merger with Spencer-Van Etten. Wayne Aman has done a tremendous amount of work with spearheading this important student centered effort. Superintendent Kisloski would also to thank Steve Frye, Daren Jensen and the coaches for all they have done to ensure opportunities for the students are maintained and enhanced.

Superintendent Kisloski stated that this year's calendar allows the District to have 2 Opening Days before the students arrive. The teachers will be in September 1st, 2016 to start preparations for the new year. Then on Tuesday, September 6th, the traditional Opening Day will involve the entire staff. Both days will be valuable and it will be wonderful to see everyone before the students arrive for the 2016-2017 school year.

Superintendent Kisloski informed the Board that he has been working with the Candor Youth Commission to obtain a grant from the Floyd Hooker Foundation, and it has been approved. He stated that Cody Rose did a great job going after the grant. He added that the community will benefit greatly from it and that the CYA will have a lot of nice new equipment and a new facility.

Board Comments:

James Douglas commented that it looks like the District is ready for another school year.

Michael Blake commented that he loves the Project Based learning program and that he is glad that the Administration is including all of the staff this year.

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Recognition of Visitors:

President Raymond Parmarter acknowledged that there were no visitors present at this time.

Adjournment:

President Parmarter announced the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathlyn M. Hinkle, Clerk of the Board