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**Horseheads Central School District  
Business Meeting of the Board of Education  
Ridge Road Elementary School(Cafeteria)  
March 27, 2014**

**Present:** Apgar, Boulas, Brinthaup, Conklin, DeRichie, Jacobus, Johnson, Lynch, Sadler, Strollo

**Also Present:** Abrunzo, Bailey, Bostwick, Bradley, Christiansen, Coghlan, Holloway, Marino, Patterson, Scaptura, Sechrist, Sotero, Williams

**Absent:**

**Call to Order:** Board President Brian Lynch called the Business Meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Minutes**

Moved by Apgar, seconded by Strollo.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education accepts the minutes of the Special Meeting with Elmira Heights, February 24, 2014, Special Public Hearing and Business Meeting of February 27, 2014 and Community Budget Meeting of March 6, 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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**President's Remarks**

Board President Brian Lynch welcomed everyone to tonight's meeting. Brian stated it is great to see such a huge turnout in support of the school. Brian stated the Board loves to go to the different schools and see the kids' presentations. Brian also stated it was a nice touch to see the Sign in front of the school, "Welcoming the Board of Education." Brian reviewed the procedures for the Questions and Comments Section which is next on the agenda and reminded the Public to limit their comments to three minutes if possible.

**Agenda Changes**

Board President Brian Lynch stated there will be one change on the Agenda tonight. Agenda Items 6.1 and 6.2 will be presented first on the agenda so that the kids in attendance will be able to go home and get rested for tomorrow. There will also be an Executive Session directly after tonight's Regular Session to approve CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations.

**Questions and Comments from the Public**

There were no Questions or Comments from the Public.

**Awards, Honors and Recognition**

Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino recognized the following honors and achievements:

- The Middle School raised more than \$1,200 and collected more than 600 items for the Chemung County SPCA during their Candy Gram and SPCA Drive. Ralph thanked the Student Council and the National Junior Honor Society for coordinating these events.

- Aaron Allen, Adam Bassler, Sebastian Bauco, Alexander Lowman, Jacob Malloy, RJ Samodal, Tyler Stevens and Jacob Malloy were selected as the Boys State representatives from the High School. Ralph stated this is very impressive.
- Senior Brenna Murphy won a Silver Medal at the National Scholastic Art Awards for her painting, "Rendezvous." Ralph stated this is very impressive.
- Seniors Emily Wagner and Claire Preston performed in the New York State Band Directors' Association High School Honor Band on March 9<sup>th</sup> in Liverpool.
- Senior Ellie Leszyk and Junior Amanda Schiefen were named to the Southern Tier Athletic Conference(STAC) All-Metro/West Basketball Team. Ralph stated this is very impressive.
- Ridge Road students, staff and families, the High School Marching Band, and the cast of *High School Musical Jr.* from the Middle School participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Horseheads on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Ralph thanked them for their community spirit.
- High School Students of the Month for February(Character Trait was Trustworthiness):
  - o 9<sup>th</sup> Grade: Matthew Gill, William Kamas, Micayla Monks, Evan Stablein
  - o 10<sup>th</sup> Grade: Shuchi Amin, Brandon Buchanan, Austyn Hosley, Abigail Kelly
  - o 11<sup>th</sup> Grade: Paige Bailey, Ali Difasi, Morgan Harris, Austin Teets
  - o 12<sup>th</sup> Grade: Andy Diffenderfer, Abigail Nelson, Claire Preston, Emily Wagner
- Junior Nidhi Shah won third place at the New York State American Legion Oratorical Contest in Albany that was held on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Ralph stated this is very impressive.
- Seniors David Zinck and Zachary VonBevern graduated from the Firefighter Training Program on March 20<sup>th</sup>. They are now Probationary Firefighters in the Millport and Town and Country Fire Departments. Ralph congratulated them on their accomplishment.
- Fifth Grader Neha Kidva tied for fifth place and Fifth Grader Mackenzie Wakely tied for tenth place at the Regional Spelling Bee in Campbell on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Ralph congratulated them for their success.
- Gardner Road Kindergartner Quintin Crandall recently raised \$425 for cancer research. Ralph thanked Quintin for his commitment to cancer research.
- Fifth Grader Evan Keister placed seventh in the 3,000-meter race at the US Amateur Track and Field Championships on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Ralph congratulated Evan for his success.
- The Lady Jammers Travel Basketball Team finished their season undefeated (20-0) by winning the Syracuse Select March Madness tournament this past weekend. The Team included seven Intermediate School students: Lauren Augustine, Jillian Casey, Jenna Granger, Maddie Johnson, Taylor Orban, Avery Snyder and Caroline Stevens. Ralph stated this is impressive.

Board President Brian Lynch stated that he attended the St. Patrick's Day Parade that was held on March 15<sup>th</sup> and it was great to see the group from Ridge Road walk in it. It was a fantastic parade.

## Presentations

### **Ridge Road Elementary School Presentation: "What's Cooking at Ridge Road"**

On behalf of Ridge Road Elementary School staff, students and parents Principal Anne Marie Bailey welcomed the Board of Education and all the guests to tonight's meeting. Anne Marie introduced the staff who were in attendance and stated this is a group of dynamic educators who go above and beyond what is expected of them on a daily basis. Anne Marie also introduced PTO members and stated the PTO works very hard behind the scenes. Anne Marie stated that these ladies "totally rock" and she truly appreciates everything that they do. Ridge Road staff and students presented the appetizers, entrées, and desserts at the "Ridge Road Diner" through a video and sharing stories written and presented by students across the grade levels.

Kindergarten Teacher Mari Palmer presented the "appetizers" which include all the school does prior to the start of the instructional day, including the Morning Announcements, Morning Workout, Open Gym, Safety Patrol, School Store, and Sensory Circuit. Mari stated that the

Morning Announcements which are very creative and innovative are presented by fourth grade students who capitalize on what is going on directly in the world. Kindergarten students deliver a “Word of the Week” to first Grade Teacher Mrs. Romanski who reads the word, the definition and then uses it in a complete sentence.

Reading Teacher Linda Hooper reported on the many, wonderful “entrées” that make up the instructional day that are being served to the students to stimulate them. Such “entrees” consist of the Common Core across the curriculum – art, FOSS, math, library, music, reading, technology, social studies, and the six traits of the District Character Education Program.

“Today’s Special” was writing at all grade levels. Mari Palmer spoke of Opinion Writing in Kindergarten and how the Kindergarten teachers are trying to teach the students that they don’t have to agree with someone else’s opinion. They are taught Opinion Writing through the use of Total Physical Response which enhances the student’s use of vocabulary to support their opinions.

First Grade Teacher Molly Romanski reported on Personal Narratives that first grade students write which is a requirement of the Common Core. A video clip was shown of “What It Is Like to Be a First Grade Student at Ridge Road Elementary School.” Molly stated that the students’ Personal Narratives include sequenced order of events, use of sight words to signal event order and some sense of closure.

Second Grade Teacher Karen Alexander reported on the Scope of Response to Reading in second grade. Karen stated the students are taught how to make a connection to reading through writing. An example given was “How To Make a Pinata” which the students used to generate their own story. Karen stated this provides opportunities for students to connect writing to reading across the curriculum.

Third Grade Teacher Kelly Wolf reported that third graders are learning Informational Writing and that they must be able to understand informative/explanatory texts to be able to examine a topic and convey ideas clearly in Informational Writing. She stated that this type of writing helps students to become stronger kids and become aware of the world around them.

Fourth Grade Teacher Megan Janeski reported fourth grade students are learning about Opinion/Argumentative Writing. She stated that it is very important for the students to see the progression as they move from one grade level to the next.

#### **Ridge Road Elementary School PTO Update**

Ridge Road PTO Co-President Tasha O’Sullivan ended the presentation with how the PTO serves the “desserts” to the Ridge Road community. Tasha stated the “desserts” include all of the fun activities that enhance the school day and the wonderful opportunities available to students after school including the Cookie Dough Roll-Out, Gingerbread Houses during the holidays, the Fun Run, the Halloween Dance, Science Night, Participation in the St. Patrick’s Day Parade, the Talent Show and the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Sing-A-Long. Tasha stated the PTO also supports the staff financially throughout the year on an as-needed basis.

The presentation concluded with students performing a song from the play.

Board President Brian Lynch stated that this was a very, very impressive and amazing presentation. Brian stated that he didn’t realize how many kids were in the audience until he seen the ending performance. Brian stated that the students were very quiet and respectful and should be commended for their good manners. Brian stated that throughout the presentation you could see and hear how Ridge Road Rocks over and over from all the kids whether they were presenting or in the video. Brian also stated it is nice to see how the school ties in the Common Core throughout all the different grade levels. The students did a

spectacular job presenting their stories; they were very well written and read. Kindergarteners and First Graders did an amazing job with their videos, second graders presented excellent reading skills, third graders did a spectacular job with Informative Writing and the fourth graders definitely read at a fifth or sixth grade level.

Board President Brian Lynch thanked the PTO for all of the wonderful activities/events that they provide to the Ridge Road community. Brian stated that the activities/events that the PTO sponsors are ones that are very memorable to the students which you could see in their faces throughout the videos and the presentations. Brian thanked the students for ending the presentation with an amazing performance, thanked Anne Marie for the refreshments and all the parents and guests for attending the meeting.

Board Member Mark Brinthaup stated that one word describes the full presentation, "Outstanding."

Board Member Karen Boulas stated that the statement that Anne Marie made at the beginning of the presentation regarding the excellence of her teachers and how they go above and beyond was definitely shown throughout this presentation. Karen stated the presentation was amazing and she was inspired by the level of knowledge the students possess.

Board Member Doug Johnson also thanked the staff and students for all of their hard work and stated the presentation was very enjoyable and creative.

Board Member Rose Apgar stated it was very nice to see all the parents and guests in attendance supporting the students.

### **Report From The Superintendent**

#### **Proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Apgar.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino brought the Proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar to the Board for Board action. Ralph stated that this calendar is almost identical to this year's calendar with Labor Day starting very early and graduation the last weekend of June. Ralph stated this calendar has already been approved by BOCES. Board Member Jim Jacobus stated that he will oppose this calendar due to the February break as he has done in the past. Jim stated that he still feels adamant that the kids need to be in school this week and should not be missing instructional time.

#### **2014-2015 School Budget Planning and Development Process Update**

Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino presented the Board with an update of the 2014-2015 School Budget Planning and Development Process. Ralph reported that there is a framework of an Agreement in the State Legislature regarding the State Budget, with an expectation of an on-time budget on or before April 1<sup>st</sup>. Ralph stated he is hoping to receive State Aid Runs on Monday. At that time, the administration will finalize the budget proposal to present at the final Budget workshop on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Board Street School Cafeteria.

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**Report from the Board of Education President****Donation to the High School From Corning, Inc.**

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Jacobus.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the donation from Corning Inc. for supplies for the High School Food Science Course as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Board President Brian Lynch brought the donation from Corning Inc. for supplies for the High School Food Science Course to the Board for Board action. On behalf of the Board, Board Member Doug Johnson thanked John Duke who was very instrumental in making this donation happen.

**Resolution Approving the Facility Capacity/Utilization and Grade Configuration Study Task Force(Advisory Committee, Policy 7810) Roster**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Boulas

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Resolution Approving the Facility Capacity/Utilization and Grade Configuration Study Task Force(Advisory Committee, Policy 7810) Roster as submitted. The charge of this Task Force will be to fully develop the educational impact statement of the narrowed options and present back to the Board of Education.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Board President Brian Lynch brought the Resolution Approving the Facility Capacity/Utilization and Grade Configuration Study Task Force(Advisory Committee, Policy 7810) Roster as submitted to the Board for Board action. Brian stated that the Task Force consists mostly of Implementation Team members plus community members per Board Policy.

Board Member Jim Jacobus stated that he felt really bad that there were not a lot of Instructional Staff on it and would have liked to seen more working on this project.

**Resolution Approving the Six Facility Capacity/Utilization and Grade Configuration Study Options to be Presented to the Task Force(Advisory Committee, Policy 7810)**

Moved by Boulas, seconded by Johnson.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the six Options to be presented to the Facility Capacity/Utilization and Grade Configuration Task Force(Advisory Committee, Policy 7810) to fully develop the educational impact statement of these Options to present back to the Board.

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#### MOTION CARRIED

Board President Brian Lynch brought the six Options to be presented to the Facility Capacity/Utilization and Grade Configuration Task Force(Advisory Committee, Policy 7810) to fully develop the educational impact statement of these Options to present back to the Board for Board action. Brian gave a brief overview on how the Options were decided upon and stated that many meetings have taken place since November when the Board first heard the presentation at which point the Board asked for the list to be reduced in December, but that was not enough time so more time was given for the Study. The Planning and Development Committee has spent time looking at the different scenarios and determined that it is not wise to put 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade in two different schools. There is total flexibility included in Options "A" and "M." Brian stated that the Board realizes that we cannot go on indefinitely with the deficits we are facing so we need to move forward. Brian stated the Task Force will take 10 to 12 months to review all these scenarios and at the same time we will also be aware that the Elmira Heights Merger Study is being investigated. Brian stated that the six Options that are being presented give us the most flexibility.

Board Member Jim Jacobus stated that he is concerned about Pre-K being put into the budget by the State which could basically become a mandate and also expressed concern regarding the Biltmore Construction. If those apartments are built, how will they affect the five scenarios if Gardner Road is closed? Board President Brian Lynch stated that the housing development is a possibility and the possibility of more students moving into those apartments was also considered. Presently, our enrollment is down almost 100 to 150 students so we are not at full capacity in the schools.

Board Vice-President Pam Strollo stated that the Planning and Development Committee talked about this at many meetings following the Focus Group's discussion based on feedback we heard about keeping the Middle School Philosophy intact. These six Options became evident that they are best for our District moving forward.

Board President Brian Lynch stated that these Options are not in any order. It is important to know what the best Option is for our District as there are a lot of variables involved. Brian stated that the Board will turn this over to the Task Force who will report back to the Board in 2015.

Board Member David Sadler stated that assuming that schools are closed, is it our intention to sell those schools immediately? Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated that if the community supports the reconfiguration than the buildings would be sold. Ralph stated that it also depends on what the Board decides next June as our plan is to remain solvent.

Board Member Karen Boulas thanked the Planning and Development Board for the vast number of hours they have put into making this very tough decision. She stated she does not know if it will tie our hands if Gardner Road is closed as it is included in all six of the Options, however, she stated she is happy with the Options as they give us flexibility.

Board Member Warren Conklin stated looking at the Options, two of the six Options presented were ranked 1 and 2 by the Focus Group. Board President Brian Lynch stated this was a very good point to acknowledge.

Board Member Doug Johnson also thanked the Focus Group for the work that they did back in the fall giving up a full Saturday to study and rank the Options and then narrowing them down as this was a very lengthy and time-consuming task. .

Board President Brian Lynch thanked the Board for their input.

#### **Report from the Director of Elementary Education**

There wasn't a Report from the Director of Elementary Education.

#### **Report from the Director of Secondary Education**

There wasn't a Report from the Director of Secondary Education.

#### **Report from the School Business Executive**

##### **Disposals of District Property**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Strollo.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Disposals of District Property as submitted.

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School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Disposals of District Property to the Board for Board action.

##### **Increase in Appropriations(Center Street PTO)**

Moved by Strollo, seconded by Jacobus.

WHEREAS, the appropriation expenditure for fiscal year 2013-2014 was approved and set on May 21, 2013...AND....

WHEREAS, the Horseheads Central School District has insufficient appropriated expenditures for this service....THEREFORE.....

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2013-2014 budget be increased by \$415.61 and this increase be funded by the reimbursement to revenue code A980-2705.

The appropriation for the following codes should be increased:

A-2110-99-490	\$415.61	BOCES Co-Ser 401 – Arts In Education
A-980-2705	\$415.61	Revenue – Donation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District authorize the expenditure of the sums set forth in the budget in the total amount of \$71,660,835.13....AND.....

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such changes in appropriation become effective March 27, 2014.

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School Business Executive Jane Bradley stated the Horseheads Central School District received a donation of \$415.61 from the Center Street Elementary School PTO. The donation will be used towards funding the Academic Entertainment "Robot Assembly" that took place on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Contract With Corning City School District For Health and Welfare Services**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Apgar.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Contract with the Corning City School District For Health and Welfare Services as submitted.

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School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the Contract with the Corning City School District For Health and Welfare Services to the Board for Board action.

Board Member David Sadler stated he is concerned why there is a difference of services for this Contract and 11.4 – the Contract with the Elmira City School District For Health and Welfare Services. Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated that the Contracts vary depending upon the type of services that are received by the students in those Districts.

Board Member Warren Conklin stated that he will not approve either of the Contracts after the fact(7 months later for this Contract) due to the fact there is a potential of a student being injured between September and today. Would it be conceivable that the insurance carrier could say, "We will not honor the claim because it was brought by the District for a non-approved program"? Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated that we are insured because the insurance policy was put in place prior to the approval of these Contracts. Our students receive the District insurance which is approved upon by the Board at the July Organizational Meeting. Ralph stated the District doesn't have any control over when other Districts submit their contracts to us.

**Contract With Elmira City School District For Health and Welfare Services**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Contract with the Elmira City School District For Health and Welfare Services as submitted.

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#### MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the Contract with the Elmira City School District For Health and Welfare Services to the Board for Board action

#### **Legal Services RFP Vendor Recommendation**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Apgar.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the recommendation that both legal firms of Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, Surowka, & DeWind, LLP and Sayles & Evans provide Legal Services for the Horseheads Central School District for the years of 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017. Both firms offered the lowest bids and have a history of providing excellent service to the District.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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#### MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the recommendation that both legal firms of Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, Surowka, & DeWind, LLP and Sayles & Evans provide Legal Services for the Horseheads Central School District for the years of 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017.to the Board for Board action. Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated that the names listed are incorrect in the recommendation, which will be corrected, but are correct in the chart.

#### **Medicare Part D Service Agreement**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Medicare Part D Service Agreement as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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#### MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the Medicare Part D Service Agreement to the Board for Board action.

**Treasurer's Reports(February 2014)**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Apgar.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Treasurer's Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action.

**Claims Auditor Report(February 2014)**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Claims Auditor Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Claims Auditor Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action. Board Member David Sadler inquired regarding the date of November 16, 2014, which is on Page 2 of the Report. Is the year correct? Jane stated it should be 2013, however; she will verify it.

**High School Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report(February 2014)**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Apgar.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the High School Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the High School Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action.

**Middle School Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report(February 2014)**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Middle School Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Middle School Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action.

**Athletics Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report(February 2014)**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Apgar.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Athletics Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Athletics Extra-Classroom Treasurer's Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action.

**Budget Transfers Report(February 2014)**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Jacobus.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Budget Transfers Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Budget Transfers Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action.

Board Member David Sadler inquired if he is reading Workman's Compensation correctly that monies were transferred from that account to pay for uniforms. Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated this is correct. Jane Bradley stated there was money left in this account as we are done for the year so we were able to transfer money from this account to cover the costs of the uniforms.

### **Revenue and Expense Report(February 2014)**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Apgar.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Revenue and Expense Report for February 2014 as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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School Business Executive Jane Bradley brought the approval of the Revenue and Expense Report for February 2014 to the Board for Board action.

### **Human Resources Director's Report**

#### **Human Resources Sub-Committee Recommendations**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Strollo.

RESOLVED that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the Human Resources Sub-Committee Recommendations as submitted.

#### **CIVIL SERVICE SUBSTITUTES/TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES:**

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Kathan, Ellen	Sub School Monitor, Teaching Assist.	03/07/14
Leary, William	Sub Bus Driver (in training)	02/24/14
Perritt, Dena	Sub Teacher Aide, Teaching Assistant	02/19/14
Salce, Angelo	Sub Food Service Helper	02/11/14
Walker, David	Sub Bus Driver (in training)	02/24/14

#### **CIVIL SERVICE LEAVES:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Doty, Kimberly	CS/Occupational Therapist	04/07/12-6/27/14 (Partial Paid Leave)

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL LEAVES:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Durr, Kendra	BF/Grade 2	02/24/14 – 04/25/14
Saunders, Justine	GR/Grade 2	05/20/14 – 06/30/14 (Paid Medical Leave)
Sechrist-Moschetti, Georgette	BF/Grade 1	Extended – 04/02/14 (Paid Medical Leave)

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL TEMPORARY OR LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTES:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Besley, Crysta	GR/Grade 1	02/13/14 – 06/30/14	\$41,135 (Prorated)
Buchanan, Amy	BF/Grade 1	Extended – 04/02/14	\$42,888 (Prorated)
Campbell, Heather	CS/Grade 3/Class-size TA	03/05/14 - tbd	\$10.57/hr.
Sechrist, Sarah	RR/Grade 2	03/28/14 – 06/30/14	\$41,836 (Prorated)
Spencer, Kathy	BF/Grade 2	02/11/14 - 04/25/14	\$50,920 (Prorated)

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS:**

	<u>STATUS/POSITION</u>	<u>PREFERENCE</u>
Coss, Donna	CS/Speech	Speech
Fivie, Kayla	*Non-Degreed	Elementary and Secondary
Holloway, Lori	Degreed	Elementary and Secondary
Laurey, Krystie	Degreed	Elementary and Secondary

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Marsiglio, Peggy	Certified	Elementary
Monachino, Patrick	Degreed	Elementary and Secondary
Oldroyd, Robert	Degreed	Elementary and Secondary
Smith, Dean	Certified	Elementary

\* Revision

**INSTRUCTIONAL CHANGE IN TEMP. ASSIGNMENT:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Kraus, Heather	IS/Temp. Teaching Assistant (change to 12:1:1 classroom)	03/03/14	\$10.57/hr.

**INSTRUCTIONAL TRANSFERS:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Pariso, Doris	Fr: MS/Special Education To: BF/RR Special Education	03/10/14	No Change

**INSTRUCTIONAL CONTRACT SUBSTITUTES:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Testone, Robin	CS/Contract Substitute	04/21/14 – 6/30/14	\$75/day

**INSTRUCTIONAL CONTRACT SUBSTITUTES - RESIGNATIONS:**

	<u>LOCATION/POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	
Muehl, Sara	GR/Contract Substitute	02/23/14	
Behnke, Christine	CS/Contract Substitute	04/18/14	
<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>

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MOTION CARRIED

Director of Human Resources Judy Christiansen brought recommendations from the Human Resources Sub-Committee to the Board for Board action.

**Resolution for a 5-Year Salary and Benefits for the Senior Central Administrative Team**  
Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the 5-Year Salary and Benefits Offer for members of the Senior Central Administrative Staff: Judy Christiansen, Kim Williams, Virginia Abrunzo and Jay Hillman.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Director of Human Resources Judy Christiansen brought recommendations for the 5-Year Salary and Benefits Offer for members of the Senior Central Administrative Staff: Judy Christiansen, Kim Williams, Virginia Abrunzo and Jay Hillman to the Board for Board action.

**Resolution for a 5-Year Salary and Benefits for the Central Administrative Team**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Boulas.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves the 5-Year Salary and Benefits Offer for members of the Central Administrative Team:

Theresa Woodworth, Kelly Squires and Shawn McDonough.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Director of Human Resources Judy Christiansen brought recommendations for the 5-Year Salary and Benefits Offer for members of the Central Administrative Team: Theresa Woodworth, Kelly Squires and Shawn McDonough to the Board for Board action. Judy stated this is identical to the Resolution that was approved for the Senior Central Administrative Staff.

**Report from the Director of Student Services**

There wasn't a Report.

**Report from the Student Representative to the Board**

Alternate Student Representative Paige DeRichie reported on High School activities for the month of April including the Special Education/504 Transition Night that will be held on April 1<sup>st</sup>, the end of the Marking Period and the Choir Concert are on April 9<sup>th</sup>, Interaction Auction is on April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Senior Prom is on April 26<sup>th</sup> and Report Cards are on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Board President Brian Lynch thanked Paige for a very thorough report.

**Report from the Athletic and Extra-Curricular Sub-Committee****Minutes of March 10, 2014, Meeting**

Chair Warren Conklin reported on the March 10, 2014, meeting of the Athletic and Extra-Curricular Sub Committee. Warren stated that the Committee discussed proposed revisions to the Athletic Code of Conduct and worked on revising some language that deals with Cyber Bullying and the use of electronic devices.

**Proposed Changes to Pages 2, 3, 4 of the Athletic Code of Conduct**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Boulas.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approves Proposed Changes to Pages 2, 3, 4 of the Athletic Code of Conduct as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Warren Conklin brought Proposed Changes to Pages 2, 3, 4 of the Athletic Code of Conduct to the Board for Board action. Warren stated the social media has become an issue;

therefore, on Page 1, Item #4 – Citizenship - “and disruptive communication,” has been added at the end of the last sentence. Warren stated a typo was corrected on Page 3 and information that has been bolded and underlined has been added. Also, on Page 4, under Cyber/Image Policy, the Committee decided that the word, “thorough,” was not a good choice of words to use, therefore, it has been deleted from the sentence.

#### **Report from the Audit Sub-Committee**

There wasn't a report.

#### **Report from the Finance Sub-Committee**

##### **Minutes of March 17, 2014, Meeting**

Chair Jim Jacobus reported on the March 17, 2014, meeting of the Finance Committee. Jim stated that all of the items that were presented earlier tonight under the School Business Executive's Report was discussed. Jim also stated that the Committee also discussed the Alternative Veteran's Exemption which will be tabled until further information is received from the State, Broad Street Operational Costs and 2014-2015 Broad Street Lease Agreements. The Committee also reviewed the Shared Positions of School Business Executive, Facilities Director and Athletic Director, the Five-Year Budget Projection, the June 30<sup>th</sup> Fund Balance Projection and a Draft of the 2014-2015 Budget. Jim stated that now that the Elmira City School District has a full-time Athletic Director we have to discuss how this will impact our School District.

#### **Report from the Human Resources Sub-Committee**

##### **Minutes of March 12, 2014, Meeting**

Chair Mark Brinthaup reported on the March 12, 2014, meeting of the Human Resources Sub-Committee. Mark stated the Committee discussed the Human Resources Recommendations that were presented to the Board earlier this evening. Mark also stated that updated information wasn't available regarding Health Insurance Claims and that the Review of Probationary Teachers was tabled until the April meeting.

#### **Report from the Curriculum and Assessment Sub-Committee**

##### **Minutes of March 6, 2014, Meeting**

Chair Warren Conklin reported on the March 6, 2014, meeting of the Curriculum and Assessment Sub-Committee. Warren stated that most of the meeting entailed discussing Opting Out of State Testing which was presented by Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino. Director of Secondary Education Jay Hillman reported on Attendance Works/CSLG Work noting that 54% of Kindergarten students county-wide miss 18 days or more of school. Jay also presented the Summer of Innovation and Roll Out for Summer 2014.

#### **Report from the Planning and Development Sub-Committee**

##### **Minutes of March 12, 2014, Meeting**

Chair Pam Strollo reported on the March 12, 2014, meeting of the Planning and Development Sub-Committee. Pam stated the Committee spent a considerable amount of time discussing the Options recommended by the Focus Group and narrowed the set of 16 Options to 6 Options to be studied by the Task Force which were approved by the Board earlier this evening.

#### **Report from the Policy Referral/Review Sub-Committee**

##### **Minutes of March 12, 2014, Meeting**

Chair Doug Johnson reported on the March 12, 2014, meeting of the Policy Referral/Review Sub-Committee.

##### **Grades 3-8 Assessment Resolution**

Moved by Boulas, seconded by Brinthaup.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Horseheads Central School District finds:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education and the Horseheads Central School District is a municipal corporation created by the state and is governed by federal and state law and regulation;

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents for the State of New York is charged by Article XI of the New York State Constitution and state law (Education Law § 101) with the “general management and supervision of all public schools” in the state, and the Commissioner of Education is empowered to “enforce all general and special laws relating to the educational system of the state and execute all educational policies determined upon by the Board of Regents” and to “have general supervision over all schools,” and that the Horseheads Central School District is subject to such laws and educational policy as determined by the Board of Regents and the Commissioner of Education;

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Education has been quoted on multiple occasions to the effect that there is “no opt out” of the state’s grades three through eight English language arts and mathematics testing;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is aware of only two state educational mandates that have “opt out” procedures: health and hygiene education that conflicts with the religion of the student’s parents (Education Law §3204(5); 8 NYCRR §16.2) and dissection of animals (Education Law §809), but such exceptions have been duly authorized by the appropriate legislative body and are clearly stated in law and regulation;

WHEREAS, the Horseheads Central School District receives federal funding and is, therefore, bound to various federal statutes relating to education, including but not limited to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, popularly known as No Child Left Behind Act of 2001;

WHEREAS, the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires state assessments in grades 3 through 8 in English language arts and mathematics (see, e.g., 20 USC sec. 6316(a)(1)(A));

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents and the Commissioner of Education have issued regulations requiring such assessments (8 NYCRR §§100.3(b)(2), 100.4(b),(e));

WHEREAS, such regulations have required a state English language arts elementary assessment in 4th grade since the 1998-1999 school year (8 NYCRR §100.3(b)(2)(i)(a));

WHEREAS, such regulations have required state mathematics elementary assessments in 3rd and 4th grades since the 2005-2006 school year (8 NYCRR §100.3(b)(2)(i)(a));

WHEREAS, such regulations have required state English language arts and mathematics assessments in 5th and 6th grades since the 2005-2006 school year (8 NYCRR §100.4(b)(2)(ii)); WHEREAS, such regulations have required state English language arts intermediate assessment in 8th grade since the 1998-1999 school year (8 NYCRR §100.4(e)(2)(1),(2));

WHEREAS, such regulations have required state mathematics assessments in 7th and 8th grades since the 2005-2006 school year (8 NYCRR §100.4(e)(2));

WHEREAS, the Horseheads Central School District, in conformity to federal and state law, has been required to and has implemented such testing and testing procedures since the 1998-1999 school year for English language arts assessments and the 2005-2006 school year for mathematics assessments;

WHEREAS, to the knowledge of the Horseheads Central School District, no student has ever refused to take such tests (especially at the direction of his/her parent or guardian);



WHEREAS, the Board of Education has not been provided with any compelling rationale why such testing procedures should be changed or why any such change should be made more than 8 or 15 years after such testing came into existence;

WHEREAS, the District must attain 95% participation in such testing to avoid adverse consequences in the form of additional (and in this case, unwarranted) corrective action plans;

WHEREAS, state law requires that the scores from such tests are used in the evaluation of teachers and principals (Education Law §3012-c), and parental and/or student refusal to participate in such testing will unfairly and adversely affect such teachers and principals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE HORSEHEADS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT:

1. The Board of Education supports the District administration in the establishment and implementation of the testing procedures associated with the New York State Grades 3 through 8 mathematics and English language arts assessments for the past eight or fifteen years, respectively.
2. The Board of Education supports the continuation of such testing procedures. Specifically, students will have such assessments placed in front of them. When the first student in such testing session has completed his/her assessment, s/he will be permitted to read a book in accordance with the state teachers' administration manual for such assessments (at which time a student who refuses to participate in such assessment will be permitted to read a book). Such procedures will be followed for any make-up dates of such testing.
3. The Board of Education encourages residents who are concerned about state testing to contact their elected state or federal representative

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought the Grades 3-8 Assessment Resolution to the Board for Board action. Doug stated that this Resolution basically supports the testing process we have had in place for fifteen years and still allows a student to read a book upon completion of testing. He stated that if the parents have further concern and want changes then they should contact the State Legislatures.

Board Member Jim Jacobus stated that he has a serious problem with Item No. 2 of the Resolution in essence where the student will be required to sit and stare until the first student has completed his/her test and then the student is able to read a book. Jim stated that he believes it is wrong for this School District and the Board of Education to punish a child for a decision the parent has made. Jim stated that it bothers him as a former educator of 32 years knowing that if a teacher were to punish a child the parent would want the teacher terminated. Jim stated he realizes that there are some problems with the test and implementation of it according to the Common Core and stated that he adamantly opposes this Resolution.

Board President Brian Lynch stated that he fully supports it as it is mandated and is supported by our legal team. Brian stated that he agrees with Board Member Jacobus that at the State level this needs to be addressed but not at the local level. Brian stated we are just abiding by

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the rules. It is a State Mandate that we have to abide by and stated that he will not go against the law. Board Member Jim Jacobus stated that he is advocating for the student who may have to sit and stare for up to ninety minutes. Another concern is if a student sees another student finish the test and starts reading a book will other students hurry through the test and not do their best so that they may also read a book. Board President Brian Lynch stated the student who does not take the test will only sit quietly until the first student finishes the test at which point the student may read a book. It may not be for the full allotted test time that the student sits and stares.

Board Member David Sadler stated that he also has a concern with the law that requires a child to sit and stare and stated yes, it is the law, but slavery was also the law. Board President Brian Lynch stated that we need to obey the law just as though you are required to get a driver's license before you are legally able to drive a vehicle. This is one of the occasions that we have to obey the law.

Board Member David Sadler stated that he echoes what Board Member Jim Jacobus stated and that he also commends Board Member Doug Johnson and his Committee for crafting this Resolution so that it is reasonable of what the State requires. However, it is the parent's responsibility to educate their child. David stated aside from the last two "Whereas" the Resolution looks pretty good.

Board Vice-President Pam Strollo stated that she agrees with some of the comments made by Board Members Jim Jacobus and David Sadler. However, Pam stated that the State Regulation is pretty clear: there is "no opt out" and there is no formal letter. Therefore, the parent may make whatever decision they feel is best for their child. Pam stated that she does not agree with the words, "punishable," or "punitive." These words are not part of our Character Education Philosophy. Pam stated that this Resolution is not meant to punish the student. Pam stated we are trying to provide something that is consistent for all the students in the testing environment and create the least amount of disruption as possible by providing the student who does not take the test the opportunity to read as soon as the first student has completed the test.

Board Member Karen Boulas stated that she echoes Board Vice-President Pam Strollo's comments. Karen stated that she does not believe that anyone wants to "punish any child," but we are trying to follow regulations as required by the State. Karen stated that we should model the testing in the same format that the Regents are administered.

Board Member Warren Conklin stated that he is very disappointed with the timing of the Legal Gram that just came out as this issue has been boiling for months. Warren stated that he has the same concern that Jim has and does not feel that the students should be allowed to read at all. He stated that once the first student is done, a number of other students see that and think that they should be done also and if they hurry through the test will they be putting forth their best work or will they be finishing just to catch up with their friend so that they may read.

Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated that we are following what is in the Teacher Evaluator's Manual. It says they may do this and it is also in writing from the State Education Department. We are trying to capitalize on it.

Board Member Mark Brinthaup stated this is another classical example of something that has been dropped on us. It puts us in a position if we don't do this we are breaking the law and if we break the law there are penalties. Mark stated that he is not happy with this State Regulation, but he will support the Resolution.

Board Member David Sadler stated that on Page 9 of the Manual it states, "If a student has been directed by their parent(s) to refuse to take the test and if the student chooses to answer one question and say they are finished," may they read? Superintendent Dr. Ralph Marino stated the student has to complete the full test before he may read a book.

**Newly Proposed Board Policy 4526.1: Email Acceptable Use**

Moved by Boulas, seconded by Sadler.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve the Newly Proposed Board Policy 4526.1: Email Acceptable Use as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of the Newly Proposed Board Policy 4526.1: Email Acceptable Use to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of this Newly Proposed Board Policy at its February Meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 4237: Homebound Instruction**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Strollo

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 4237: Homebound Instruction as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Proposed Changes to Board Policy 4237: Homebound Instruction to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5451: Supervision of Students**

Moved by Boulas, seconded by Brinthaup.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5451: Supervision of Students as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Board Policy 5451: Supervision of Students to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5453: Student Bicycle Use**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5453: Student Bicycle Use as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Board Policy 5453: Student Bicycle Use to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5454: Student Automobile Use**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5454: Student Automobile Use as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Board Policy 5454: Student Automobile Use to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5460: Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment**

Moved by Strollo, seconded by Jacobus.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5460: Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Board Policy 5460: Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5660: Student Gifts and Solicitations**

Moved by Strollo, seconded by Jacobus.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5660: Student Gifts and Solicitations as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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MOTION CARRIED

Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Board Policy 5660: Student Gifts and Solicitations to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5680: Student Fees and Charges**

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Strollo.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5680: Student Fees and Charges as submitted.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Chair Doug Johnson brought a second reading of Board Policy 5680: Student Fees and Charges to the Board for Board action. Doug stated the Board was presented the first reading of these proposed changes at its February meeting.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 5500: Student Records**

Chair Doug Johnson presented the Board with a first reading of Changes to Board Policy 5500: Student Records. Doug stated that changes were made to clarify the definition of educational records. Doug stated on Page 1, the first paragraph under "Definition" was deleted and replaced, on Page 3, the first two sentences of the first paragraph under "Directory Information" were deleted and replaced with "The Board designates certain categories of information as "directory" information," and on the last page the second cross reference was deleted. Doug stated this Policy will be brought to the Board at its April Board meeting for a second reading and Board action.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 6100: Annual Budget**

Chair Doug Johnson presented the Board with a first reading of Changes to Board Policy 6100: Annual Budget. Doug stated that on Page 2 of the Policy, the second bullet, the following words will be deleted, "\$85,000 or more in the coming year," and replaced with "at or above the amount specified annually by New York State," and two legal references will be deleted. Board Member Warren Conklin inquired if we know the specific amount? Jane stated no as the amount goes up every year. Doug stated this Policy will be brought to the Board at its April Board meeting for a second reading and Board action.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 6110: Budget Planning**

Chair Doug Johnson presented the Board with a first reading of Changes to Board Policy 6110: Budget Planning. Doug stated that changes were made in terminology, "Business Manager," to "School Business Official," and changes were made to the legal references. Doug stated this Policy will be brought to the Board at its April Board meeting for a second reading and Board action.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 6112: Determination of Budget Priorities**

Chair Doug Johnson presented the Board with a first reading of Changes to Board Policy 6112: Determination of Budget Priorities. Doug stated that changes include adding the "Board of Education Finance Committee" to the first sentence of the Policy. Doug stated this Policy will be brought to the Board at its April Board meeting for a second reading and Board action.

**Proposed Changes to Board Policy 6120: Budget Hearing**

Chair Doug Johnson presented the Board with a first reading of Changes to Board Policy 6120: Budget Hearing. Doug stated that changes include adding the words, "or designee," in the third sentence of the third paragraph after the word, "Superintendent," and deleting the word, "chair," and replacing it with the word, "President," in the fourth sentence of that paragraph and making changes to the legal references. Board Member Warren Conklin inquired as to what the procedure would be if the Board President is not able to attend a Public Hearing. Board President Brian Lynch stated it is expected that the Vice-President will step into the role of President in his absence which is also part of Robert's Rules of Order. Doug stated this Policy will be brought to the Board at its April Board meeting for a second reading and Board action.

**Report From the Visitation Committee****Board of Education Tour/Visit of Ridge Road Elementary School on March 20, 2014**

Chair Rose Apgar reported on the tour of Ridge Road Elementary School which was held on March 20, 2014. Rose stated all of the 2013 Capital Work was completed, walks were reconstructed, the tennis courts are done, a ramp was added to the left side of the building, the stair railings of the Main Entrance and pieces of the sidewalk were replaced. Rose stated the Parking Lot Repairs are part of the five-year plan and this summer the Main Office will be reconfigured when the new entranceway is installed (will take 4 to 16 weeks), intruder locksets will be installed on the classroom doors, the cameras in the Office will display four views instead of one. Rose stated all the classrooms were very busy and in one classroom the students were very involved in learning how to make a chair, step by step. It also was a very colorful day as the students were allowed to wear to school clothes that their parents would not normally let them. Rose stated considering the age of the building it is in great shape.

**Questions and Comments from Board Members**

Board President Brian Lynch thanked Paige DeRichie for filling in for Austin Smith as he was unable to attend the meeting.

**Adjournment to Executive Session**

Moved by Brinthaup, seconded by Jacobus.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education Meeting adjourn from its Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 7:55 PM.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Sadler.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education go into Executive Session at 8:05 PM to approve CSE/CPSE/504 recommendations.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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 MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Brinthaup.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education approve the CPSE/CSE/504 recommendations as presented.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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 MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Brinthaup.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education Meeting adjourn from Executive Session at 8:09 PM and reconvene to its Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 8:09 PM.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Moved by Jacobus, seconded by Brinthaup.

RESOLVED, that the Horseheads Central School District Board of Education Meeting adjourn from its Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 8:09 PM.

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Noes</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Respectfully submitted by:

*Candy L. Maine*

Candy Maine, District Clerk



