

Narrative of the January 19, 2021 BOE Regular Meeting:

- Tina - I will now call to order this regularly scheduled meeting of the Madrid-Waddington Central School Board.
- Tina - Please stand for the Pledge.
- Tina - I will now accept a motion for the approval of the minutes for the December 15th meeting.
  - I have a first from Hammond
  - I have a second from Durant
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- Tina - I will now accept a motion for the approval of the treasurer's report.
  - I have a first from Hobkirk
  - I have a second from Grant
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- Tina - We have CSE recommendations that were available for review in the board folder; I will accept a motion to approve the CSE recommendations.
  - I have a first from Grant
  - I have a second from Hobkirk
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- Tina - There are transportation, building and grounds, and building level reports in the folder. Are there any questions or comments regarding these reports? None
- Tina - Mr. Burke we will move forward with your report at this time.
- Eric - Thank you. First under my agenda is asking for Board approval of a marching band merger with Lisbon Central School. We have been doing this for the past couple of years and it has provided an outstanding experience for our student musicians. I thank Lisbon for their continued willingness to host our students.
- Tina - I will entertain a motion to approve the marching band merger with Lisbon Central School.
  - I have a first from Hammond
  - I have a second from Logan
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- Eric - Next is a request for approval of a week-long trip sponsored by our History Club to Italy and Greece in the spring of 2022. Mrs. Ruddy provided a presentation that was available for review in the folder and this looks like an amazing adventure. Mrs. Ruddy hosts multiple informational meetings for the students and parents throughout the planning process so everyone is very aware of all aspects of the trip.
- Tina - Having had the chance to review the trip presentation would someone like to make a motion on approving the History Club trip to Italy and Greece in the spring of 2022? None
  - I have a first from Pryce
  - I have a second from Logan
  - Any discussion? None

- All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
- Motion Approved
- Eric - Districts throughout NY State are now required by executive order to have a “pandemic operations plan” that addresses the District’s protocols for identifying essential workers, providing safeguards for essential workers, and enabling non-essential workers to work remotely to the extent practicable and necessary during a pandemic forced school closure.
  - In this document and in the regulations “essential worker” does not refer to the employee’s job function being “essential”; what this means is that for the employee to perform their job function it is “essential” that they report to the campus as opposed to working from home.
  - This is a draft document that has been reviewed by the presidents of both units, and is included tonight for preview and comment. The plan will be brought back at the February meeting for Board approval.
  - The plan includes a spreadsheet that categorizes each employee subgroup by “essential tiers” indicating the level to which job functions must be performed in-person.
  - I would be happy to answer any questions or comments on the draft plan at this time or any time over the next month as we finalize the plan.
- Eric - Also included in your meeting packet were two documents outlining the attributes of a new communication platform that will initially be rolled out as a replacement for Class Dojo. The new platform is ParentSquare and this is an Ed Law 2D compliant product that will hopefully end up being our whole-district platform for mass communication as well as direct parent communication for teachers.
  - Pending the successful implementation of ParentSquare the District will look to move current Onecallnow communications over to the new platform after June 30 as it will be ideal to have a one-stop-shop app for our parents and students to communicate with all school staff.
  - Just a sampling of what this product can offer is as follows:
    - Direct and Group Messaging
      - Including monitoring to determine if all recipients have reviewed messages
    - Volunteer Sign-ups
    - Classroom Activity and Photo Sharing
    - Secure Document Delivery
    - Emergency Alerts
    - Attendance and Absence Excuse Submission
    - Forms and Permission Slips
  - ParentSquare also provides outstanding reports to help determine the effectiveness of our communication and outreach efforts.
  - We hope to have the official launch next week. Staff is being trained and parent resources are being distributed as well.
  - We are very optimistic that this will be well received by all.
- Eric – Lastly, I am recommending Board approval for a contract with SEI to act as our architect for the 2021-22 capital outlay project. The folks at SEI have been outstanding partners and we are hopeful to maintain community support for our annual outlay projects. The contract rates remain the same as last year.

- Tina - Having had an opportunity to review the SEI contract I will accept a motion to approve at this time:
  - I have a first from Hammond
  - I have a second from Logan
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- Tina - There are multiple third reads of policies that will require Board action. I would entertain a motion to approve the pending policies.
  - I have a first from Hobkirk
  - I have a second from Durant
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- Tina - There are a handful of personnel recommendations that we can accept a motion for at this time.
  - I have a first from Hayes
  - I have a second from Hobkirk
  - Any discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved
- There is no need for an executive session so I will accept a motion to adjourn.
  - I have a first from Hammond
  - I have a second from Hobkirk
  - Any further discussion? None
  - All in favor? All Present Any opposed? None
  - Motion Approved