

FOR DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL

Minutes of the Budget Work Session Meeting of the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District Board of Education conducted on Tuesday, March 29, 2016. The meeting was held in the Cafeteria of Franklin Middle School, 540 Parkhurst Blvd.

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Opening Ceremony

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm Prevailing Time.

a. Roll Call

PRESENT: Board:

Bob Dana	Trustee
Andrew Gianni	Vice President
Jill O'Malley	President
Christopher Pashler	Trustee (arrived at 6:32pm)
Todd Potter, Jr.	Trustee

Others:

Dawn Mirand	Superintendent
Stephen Bovino	Assistant Superintendent – Human Resources
Robin Zymroz	Assistant Superintendent – Instruction & Student Services
John Brucato	Assistant Superintendent – Finance
Gina Santa Maria	District Clerk

ABSENT: None

b. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Agenda

At the request of President O'Malley, a motion was made by Trustee Potter, seconded by Trustee Dana, to approve the agenda.

Dana	Aye
Gianni	Aye
O'Malley	Aye
Pashler	Absent
Potter	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

3. 2016-2017 Budget Status

Superintendent Mirand and Assistant Superintendent Brucato presented the second draft of the 2016-2017 budget to the Board. Superintendent Mirand reviewed the criteria for decision making in the development of the budget, and how the District's and Board's goals and mission impact every budget decision. The challenges faced by the District, such as marginal increases in State Aid, the loss of the Huntley Pilot and expenses associated with Consolidation – Scenario I, were also reiterated. Assistant Superintendent Brucato informed the Board that the gap in this second draft of the budget is \$1.6 million down from \$4.4 million. The additional

reductions from the first budget draft were addressed. Superintendent Mirand asked Assistant Superintendent Bovino to speak about the staffing reductions included in the budget draft and the process that was followed. Upcoming important dates in the budget cycle were noted. Board members asked several questions at the conclusion of the update.

4. Public Budgetary Comments and Questions

Lisa Mihelbergel, 171 Dekalb St., Tonawanda asked about the creation of the budget, class size, and teacher aides. Her questions were addressed.

5. Ken East Football Program Update – B. Banker

Superintendent Mirand informed the Board that while further exploring the unique possibility of merging the Ken East football program with CSAT, limitations and challenges were discovered. As a result of this information, the proposal was withdrawn from consideration. Athletic Director Banker spoke about the steps the District will be taking internally to address growing the program. It was predicted that it will take at least a year or two to see the results from these efforts. AD Banker thanked the District for their support and assistance, and CSAT for their willingness to participate. Several Board members commented and asked a number of questions.

6. Board of Education

a. Comments

President O’Malley reported that she had been asked to participate in an opioid task force consisting of stakeholders from the Town of Tonawanda, Village of Kenmore and City of Tonawanda. They would like to host a public forum in the District in the near future. Future participation was discussed.

7. Proposed Executive Session

At the request of President O’Malley, a motion was made by Trustee Potter, seconded by Vice President Gianni, to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:21 pm Prevailing Time to discuss a personnel issue.

Dana	Aye
Gianni	Aye
O’Malley	Aye
Pashler	Aye
Potter	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

At the request of President O’Malley, a motion was made by Vice President Gianni, seconded by Trustee Potter, to end Executive Session at 7:34 pm Prevailing Time and return to public session.

Dana	Aye
Gianni	Aye
O’Malley	Aye
Pashler	Aye
Potter	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

8. Adjournment

At the request of President O’Malley, a motion was made by Vice President Gianni, seconded by Trustee Potter, to adjourn at 7:34 pm Prevailing Time.

Dana	Aye
Gianni	Aye
O’Malley	Aye
Pashler	Aye
Potter	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Santa Maria

Gina Santa Maria, District Clerk

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