

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2015, AT 6:26 P.M.
HIGH SCHOOL LMC**

**PRESENT: Mrs. Coppens, Mrs. Brasure, Mr. Coates, Ms. Kehn,
Mrs. Lundquist, Mrs. Moll, Mrs. Sparapani,
Mr. Burklund, Mr. Trevillian, and Mr. Hanson**

Others Present: Members of the Community

The Annual Meeting was called to order by Mr. Burklund at 6:26 p.m.

Roll call was taken with members present as indicated above.

Mr. Burklund indicated that the first item of business would be to elect a chairperson. Motion by Patti Sparapani/Susan Moll to elect Tracy Coppens as the chairperson. Unanimous.

Motion by Susan Moll/Mary Lundquist to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on August 25, 2014. Unanimous.

Mrs. Hammill reported on the Balance Sheet, Fund 80 Levy, Revenues and Expenditures for the 2014-15 school year. Mrs. Hammill reported the audit was completed on August 7, 2015. Revenue that was more than budgeted in the 2014-2015 school year include: Student fees, PLIT, Gifts/Donations, Library Aid, E-Rate, IDEA, and WIAA Activity. Expenditures were less than budgeted by approximately \$50,000 in the operation expenditures such as general supplies, gas for heat, and equipment replacement. The budget showed taking \$65,000 out of the Fund Balance and with the final calculations it will not be that much.

Mr. Burklund reported on the Energy contract – bonding is final and funds are transferred to the account. Scott Russell from Schneider Electric will be the supervising engineer on site. Work will be scheduled nights and weekends. The master schedule is in place. The new Physical Education/Health teacher is Joseph Trudeau, Building Principal is Scott Trevillian, Pupil Services Director is Terry Hanson, Reading Specialist is Megen Hood, Wrestling Coach is Darren Groleau, and Assistant Varsity Football Coach is Steve Sigmund. Have been in contact with Pembine School District for Terry Hanson's services. Working with Mr. Cretton on continuous oversight of buildings and grounds. Music Tree installed the new sound system for the football field. There is new flooring in the high school commons area and fresh paint on the high school lockers. The district purchased a new bus. The computer labs have been updated. Mrs. Oratch is working on a brochure for the district. There will be website modifications. The 4th and 5th grade

Fusion Science series has been ordered and received. The student testing for students will include PALS, Smarter Balanced Assessment, ACT, and District Assessments Renaissance STAR. The audit went well. The 4K-6 grade students will continue to get free breakfast and lunch for the 2015-2016 school year. The administration is pleased with the work by the curriculum committees and sub committees for the proper curriculum alignment to common core, RtI, Next Generation, and Wisconsin State Standards.

Karie Kehn and Mary Lundquist were sworn in for three-year terms at the April reorganizational meeting. Appointed Board members Ann Brasure and Derrell Coates will serve on the Board until the April 5, 2016 election.

Mrs. Coppens presented the resolution to set salaries for the school board members.

- Resolved that the board members receive \$1,400 per member for a yearly salary.

Motion by Ann Brasure/Derrell Coates and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented the resolution to be adopted on the length of the 2015-16 school terms.

- Resolved that the number of face-to-face days that school shall be held during the 2015-2016 term shall not be less than 180 days.

Motion by Mary Lundquist/Karie Kehn and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution to provide free textbooks.

- Resolved that the Niagara Public School System continues to provide free textbooks and those pupils be charged only for loss or destruction of same.

Motion by Patti Sparapani/Karie Kehn and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution to accept non-resident and over-age pupils.

- Resolved that the Niagara Public School System accept non-resident and over-age pupils as long as there is sufficient room and facilities and that non-residents pay tuition.

Motion by Derrell Coates/Mary Lundquist and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution on student insurance.

- Resolved that the district continues to pay for student supplemental accident insurance.

Motion by Susan Moll/Ann Brasure and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution on the school lunch and breakfast program.

- Resolved that the Niagara Public School System have a school lunch and breakfast program.

Motion by Karie Kehn/Susan Moll for the school to have a school lunch and breakfast program and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution for legal proceedings.

- Resolved that the Board of Education be directed to provide for the prosecution or defense of any action or proceeding in which the School District is interested.

Motion by Karie Kehn/Derrell Coates and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution for reimbursement of school board members.

- Resolved that the school board be authorized to make payment to school board members for travel out of the district and loss of earnings when the office requires them to be away from their regular employment.

Motion by Karie Kehn/Susan Moll and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution for the Board of Education to buy and sell land.

- Resolved that the Board of Education can buy and sell land.

Motion by Ann Brasure/Patti Sparapani and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution to borrow money.

- Resolved that the Board of Education can short-term borrow money if needed at the request of the Business Manager.

Motion by Mary Lundquist/Karie Kehn and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coppens presented a resolution that is required by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

- Resolved that the Board of Education exceed district's revenue limits for FY 2015-2016 for the purposes of expending the additional funds for qualifying energy efficiency projects and/or for repayment of debt service costs on a bond according to s.121.91(4) (o), Wis. Stats.

Motion by Karie Kehn/Derrell Coates and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Hammill presented the budget for the 2015-2016 school year. The health insurance costs have been budgeted assuming all participants will use the total HRA amounts, when most likely they will not. Because of the energy projects there are no large maintenance items in the budget. The budget is showing an addition to Fund Balance of \$69,000. The all Fund Tax Levy is \$1,724,452 and the Levy Rate is .01218902.

Mrs. Coppens presented the resolution to recommend the proposed 2015-2016 budget.

- Resolved at the Annual Meeting of the School District of Niagara, Wisconsin, held on August 24, 2015, to recommend the proposed 2015-2016 budget.

Motion by Derrell Coates/Mary Lundquist and carried unanimously.

Resolution submitted and recommended by the Board of Education.

- Mrs. Tracy Coppens, President
- Mrs. Patti Sparapani, Vice-President
- Mrs. Mary Lundquist, Treasurer
- Mrs. Susan Moll, Clerk

Motion by Derrell Coates/Mary Lundquist to determine and levy the amount of tax necessary on or before November 1, 2015, after receiving the September 18th third Friday count report and October 15th General Aid Certification and Revenue Cap worksheet. Unanimous.

Motion by Ann Brasure/Patti Sparapani to adjourn at 7:03 p.m. and carried unanimously.

