DEPOSIT-HANCOCK SHARED SERVICES INITIATIVE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES
June 20, 2018
5:300PM at the Hancock House

Present: Denise Cook, Terry Dougherty, Gray Stevens

Meeting:
Gray Stevens, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.
The meeting purpose was to review the Shared Services Initiatives between the two schools for 2017-18 and to look ahead to 2018-19:

1. Athletics -

*NY State Class D Boys Baseball Championship by the combined Eagles team was the highlight of a very successful sports year. A culminating celebration will be held for the team members and parents at the River Run Restaurant with meals and championship rings to be paid for by the schools and championship jackets to be provided by Mr. Dougherty.

* JV Girls Softball is scheduled to be merged in the spring of 2019, with Varsity Girls Softball to merge a year later in the spring of 2020.

*Bowling will be the only sport left not merged. High student interest at both schools allows each school to easily field full teams.

*Work will begin this summer on a joint Deposit-Hancock Eagles "Coaches Handbook" documenting processes, procedures, philosophies, etc that have been developed as a result of the merged athletic program. Summer in-service will be held to review the contents of the "Coaches Handbook" with coaches of all merged programs.

*The Transportation share and the Home and Careers shared teacher are both going well. As might be expected, as the personnel involved become more "seasoned" in their roles, the share becomes smoother.

2. Update on the "Bell" -

*A second bell has been located and discussions regarding its acquisition are being held. It was agreed that it would be wise to plan a ceremony to retire the bell in each school. A "retirement" ceremony would most likely be planned for the 2019-20 school year.

3. Potential Special Education Programing Share:

*There appears to be potential for sending classified students from both schools to specific programs in the other school. Numbers would be low, but the potential savings could be significant due to the high cost of sending some classified students to BOCES

or other, similar, programs out of the area. Both superintendents agree that a quid-pro-quo arrangement (assuming needs of incoming students can be met utilizing current staff, equipment, etc.) makes sense since over time, potentially saving even greater numbers of dollars. Attorneys for both schools would draft appropriate agreement language for each Board to approve.

4. Annual Summary of the Sharing Initiative:

*Gray will draft a news article for each superintendent to use with their local press and for their school community.

Adjournment occurred at 6:30 PM.