

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 18, 2022**

Present: Mrs. Cathi Root, President  
Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member  
Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Member  
Mr. Joshua Whitmore, Member  
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President

Adm./Others: Mr. Joshua Roe, Superintendent  
Mrs. Michelle Bombard, ES Principal  
Mr. Willard Cook, MS Principal  
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Dir. of Student Services  
Mr. Jacob Roe, HS Principal

Absent: Mr. Chris Klossner, Member  
Mrs. Lee Wood, Member

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC**

**4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the April 6, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

**5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

There was nothing to report for Legislative, Health Trust, or Workers' Compensation.

Mr. Cook reported that not much to report due to our recent spring recess. ELA test and scoring are complete and now we are getting ready to start the NYS Math tests; report cards will be going home with students on Wednesday.

Mrs. Meister mentioned that she has been finishing up her off-campus placements and working on a lot of paperwork!

Mrs. Bombard reported that Guidance Counselor interviews will begin on Thursday; Kindergarten screening will be the first week of May and they only have one spot left for UPK; getting ready for the upcoming end of year field trips.

Mr. Jake Roe reported that the trip to Spain went very well, and everyone had a great time, the chaperones did a great job! There has been a significant improvement to the failure list and a big shout out to the teachers.

Mr. Josh Roe stated that pool roof replacement has begun and will last roughly 2-3 weeks; the tank delivery is scheduled for July 5 unless there are further delays; Kendra has been meeting with teachers regarding the federal grants; Janice Barto is creating a calendar of events with regard to summer programs.

## **6. NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the 2022-23 BT BOCES Administrative Budget in the amount of \$3,245,861 and to cast votes for Nicholas Matyas, William Powell, and Sandra Ruffo for three-year positions for trustee seats for the Broom Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Tioga Central School District, Tioga County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The propositions hereinafter set forth are hereby authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters at the Annual School District Meeting and Election to be held in said School District, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

Section 2. The School District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include as a part of the notice of the Annual District Meeting and Election notice with reference to the submission of said propositions in substantially the following form:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at said Annual School District Meeting and Election to be held on May 17, 2022, the following propositions will be submitted:

### 2022 – 2023 Budget

Shall the Board of Education of the Tioga Central School District, in the County of Tioga, New York, be and hereby is authorized to expend sums set forth in the General Fund Appropriations in the amount of \$20,558,091 and to levy the necessary tax therefore.

### School Bus Purchase

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tioga Central School District, in the Town of Tioga, Tioga County, New York, is hereby authorized and directed to purchase two (2) school buses and to expend therefore a gross sum not exceeding \$294,000 as follows: 2 - 65/70 Passenger School Buses at a gross cost not exceeding \$147,000 each And that there shall be applied to the purchase any trade-in allowance to be received for a bus (or buses) now owned by the school district, and that the aforesaid sum of \$294,000 or so much thereof may be necessary, shall be

raised by tax on the taxable property of the school district to be collected in annual installments; and FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education is authorized to issue obligations of the district therefore in accordance with Education Law and Local Finance Law. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if enacted legislation allows school districts to pay cash for new school buses without penalty of capacity ratings, the Board of Education is authorized to pay cash for the buses in an amount not to exceed \$294,000 with the appropriation coming from the General Fund Balance.

#### Capital Reserve Fund Proposition

RESOLVED, that the Tioga Central School District, is hereby authorized to establish a new capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to be designated 2022 Buildings and Facilities Capital Reserve Fund for the construction of improvements to, reconstruction of, and additions to various School District buildings and facilities, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and site and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at an ultimate amount of \$10,000,000, plus accrued interest and investment earnings, plus the transfer of the remaining unexpended balance of the existing Insurance Reserve Fund, which reserve fund shall thereafter be closed, with a probable term of fifteen (15) years, the source of funding to be surplus dollars and/or legally available funds available to the District when it closes its books every June 30.

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the 2022-2023 Property Tax Report Card as presented.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Continuation of Coverage for the current benefit plans for contract period April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023.

## **7. FINANCIAL**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as follows:

***Approval of the following Financial Reports as presented:***

- *December 2021*
- *January 2022*
- *February 2022*
- *March 2022*

***Approval of March 2022 Claims Auditor Report***

***Approval of March 2022 Extraclassroom Report***

***Approval of Food Service Bids***

***Approval of BOCES Final Request for Services in the amount of \$2,371,569.38***

## **8. PERSONNEL**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda as follows:

***Accept and approve the letter of intent to retire received from Michelle Smith, retiring from her position as custodial worker, effective June 30, 2022.***

**Approval** of the following additions to the volunteer/substitute lists:  
*Jason Bean – Support Staff*

**Approval** of the following anticipated probationary appointment:

Name of appointee: *Emily Potter*  
Tenure area: *K-6*  
Date of commencement of probationary service: *September 1, 2022*  
Expiration date of appointment: *August 31, 2026*  
Certification status: *Childhood Ed. 1-6, In process*

*To the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law §§2509, 2573, 3212 and 3014, in order to be granted tenure, the classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years. If the classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period, he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. For purposes of this subdivision, classroom teacher and building principal mean a classroom teacher or building principal as such terms are defined in Sections 30-2.2 and 30-3.2 of this Part.*

**Approval** of the following resolution:

*WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Tioga Central School District, Tioga County, New York, has called an annual School District election of the qualified voters of said School District to be held on the 17th day of May 2022; and*

*WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for the appointment of a permanent chairman, chief election inspector and assistant clerks for said annual school district election; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT*

*RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Tioga Central School District, Tioga County, New York, as follows:*

*Section 1. Cathi Root, a duly qualified voter of said School District is hereby appointed as the permanent chairman of the annual school district election referred to in the preambles hereof.*

*Section 2. The following named qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed to act as inspectors of election at said annual school district election, so that there shall be at least two inspectors for each ballot box/voting machine to be used thereat: Jody Cooley, Charlene Katchuk, Debra Sherman, Shirley Sherman*

*Section 3. Jill Reese is hereby designated as chief election inspector.*

*Section 5. Each inspector of election appointed for said annual school district election, as herein provided, shall be entitled to compensation at the rate determined by the district for each day actually and necessarily spent on the duties of said election. The Clerk of said School District is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of appointment to the persons herein respectively appointed as permanent chairmen and inspectors of election for said annual school district election.*

*Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.*

**Approval** of the following appointments:

*Appointment of Kelly Tesar to Treasurer, effective 4/19/2022 for the remainder of the 2021-2022 year and up to the Reorganization Meeting for*

*the 2022-2023 year with no additional compensation as this is part of the Central Business Office service.*

*Appointment of Stephanie Rajnes to Deputy Treasurer, effective 4/19/2022 for the remainder of the 2021-2022 year and up to the Reorganization Meeting for the 2022-2023 year with no additional compensation as this is part of the Central Business Office service.*

## **9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions/comments from the public.

## **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to enter executive session at 6:29 pm to discuss CSE/CPSE/504 matters.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to return to public session at 7:05 pm.

## **11. ADJOURN**

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 pm.

Jill Reese  
Clerk