

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
Board Room
April 20, 2020

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

Adm./Others: Mrs. Michelle Bombard, Principal
Mr. Willard Cook, Principal (Zoom)
Dr. David Hamilton, Superintendent
Mrs. Kathleen Keene, Dir. of Instruction (Zoom)
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Dir. Of Pupil Services (Zoom)
Mr. Joshua Roe, Principal
Mrs. Jill Reese, Clerk
Mrs. Kendra Seaver, Treasurer (Zoom)

Absent: Dr. Abram Nichols, Member
Mr. Joshua Whitmore, Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve Board Minutes dated March 18, 2020 for the Regular Meeting as presented and Board Minutes dated April 8, 2020 for the Emergency Meeting as presented.

5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Roe reported that his teachers are struggling with the new learning platform. Their students seem to be disappearing, not doing the work that is being put out there. They talk to the parents and to the students, but with no success. There has been no guidance from the state as far as grading procedures. They have adjusted the curriculum in each course.

Mrs. Bombard reported that the elementary is using Seesaw for their student learning program. Some of the families are struggling as they only have one electronic device but multiple students; they have been sending packets to some families and have been receiving satisfactory feedback. Mrs. Bombard has been having discussions with teachers on where their students will be in the Fall in respect to retentions, etc.

Dr. Hamilton stated that Tioga had received two generous donations recently; one from Tioga Downs which was a large donation of food which to be handed out to district families; the other was a monetary donation from district residents to be used for the school lunch program.

Dr. Hamilton reviewed the proposed budget with the intent to adopt the 2020-2021 school budget at the next meeting to be held on May 6, 2020.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the 2020-21 BT BOCES Administrative Budget in the amount of \$3,237,554 and to cast votes for Peter Nowacki, Michon Stewart, and William Powell for trustee seats for the Broome Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the A1A contract with King & King Architects.

A MOTION was made by Cathi Root, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to table discussion of the contract extensions for the bargaining units until after Executive Session.

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Continuation of Coverage for the current benefit plans for the contract period April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

7. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the *Financial Consent Agenda* items as follows:

February 2020 Claims Auditor Report

March 2020 Claims Auditory Report

March 2020 Overtime Report

Food Service Meat& Cheese Bid for the period 5/1/2020 – 8/11/2020

December 2019 financial Report

Approval of \$1,000 donation from Mr. & Mrs. Hodge for the school lunch program

8. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Juul Extension Agreements for Jodi Riggs and Rose Shapiro.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the following permanent appointment:

Name of Appointee: Roby Boothby
Civil Service Position: Bus Driver
Probationary period ends: April 23, 2020
Permanent appointment date: April 24, 2020

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the following probationary appointments:

Name of Appointee: Nicholas Alexander
Tenure Area: Special Music
Certification(s): Initial K-12 Music; Expires 8/31/22
Commencement of Probationary Service: September 1, 2020
Expiration Date of Appointment:* August 31, 2024

Name of Appointee: Stephanie Hills
Tenure Area: Special Physical Education
Certification(s): Phys. Ed. (Professional; Issued 7/7/17)
Commencement of Probationary Service: September 1, 2020
Expiration Date of Appointment:* August 31, 2024

Name of Appointee: Karli Myers
Tenure Area: Academic English
Certification(s): Eng. Language Arts 7-12 (Professional Issued 9/1/13)
Commencement of Probationary Service: September 1, 2020
Expiration Date of Appointment:* August 31, 2023**
**Jarema Credit for prior tenure

Name of Appointee: Erin Sweeney
Tenure Area: Academic Math
Certification(s): Pending
Commencement of Probationary Service: September 1, 2020
Expiration Date of Appointment:* August 31, 2024

Name of Appointee: Kristi VanDusen
Tenure Area: Elem K-6
Certification(s): Early Child. B-2; Child. Ed. 1-6 (Initial Exp. 1/31/22)
Commencement of Probationary Service: September 1, 2020
Expiration Date of Appointment:* August 31, 2023**
**Jarema Credit for prior year service

**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 probation 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.*

9. CSE/CPSE/504 RECOMMENDATIONS

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve CSE, CPSE or 504 Recommendations as presented.

10. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Scot Taylor, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to enter into executive session at 7:11 pm, to discuss matters leading to the employment of particular person and negotiations discussion.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to return to public session at 8:04 pm.

12. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Scot Taylor, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to discuss the tabled agenda item from earlier in the meeting.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to reject the proposed contract extensions for the Support Staff, Teachers' Association, and Administrative Association.

13. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm.

Jill Reese
Clerk