

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
Regular Meeting  
May 3, 2023

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

Adm./Others: Mr. Joshua Roe, Superintendent  
Mr. Willard Cook, MS Principal  
Mrs. Mary Grace Camin, Director of Instruction  
Mrs. Michelle Bombard, ES Principal  
Mr. Jeffrey Isaacs, HS Dean of Students  
Mrs. Kendra Seaver, School Business Executive  
Mrs. Kristy Robertson, Clerk

Others: Mr. Alex MacDonald

Absent: Mr. Chris Klossner, Member  
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Director of Pupil Services

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:42 pm.

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC**

**4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the April 17, 2023, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

A MOTION was made by Lee Wood, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the amended minutes from the March 1, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

**5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

There was nothing to report for Legislative, Health Trust Consortium, Workers' Compensation Alliance, other board reports, events, or updates.

Mrs. Meister was unable to attend the meeting, and sent a written report that Mr. Roe read to the board on her behalf; most of the preschool meetings are complete; elementary meeting dates have been set for the end of May, meeting notices will be going out to parents soon.

Mr. Cook reported that the middle school has been testing, testing, testing; the ELA test has been administered and graded; Math will conclude tomorrow and will be graded next week; 6<sup>th</sup> grade went on a field trip to the Keystone Theatre in Towanda to see a screening of a book they read in class; after the theatre they stopped for lunch at McDonald's where all students were on their best behavior.

Mrs. Camin reported that she has been supporting both elementary and middle school with State testing; Tioga is the last district to score our own tests; BOCES sent staff to the district for onsite scoring training; new teacher orientation will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Mrs. Bombard reported the math State test finished up today at the elementary school; there are several field trips coming up, PreK is going to the Tanglewood Nature Preserve, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade is going to Animal Adventure, 1<sup>st</sup> grade is going to the Science Center, and PreK is also going to Kopernick; Kindergarten screening will be held next Tuesday through Thursday, PreK screening will be held the following week.

Mr. Isaacs reported that State field tests will be given soon; weekly meetings with at risk students continue; the Spring Showcase had a great turnout and there are plans to include all grade levels next year; prom is this weekend.

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, member, commented that she was glad to see information on Regents' review sessions coming home with students. Mr. Roe stated that some teachers have sent information home with students, and he is working on getting a list of all review sessions to send home.

Mr. Roe reported that Phase II of the capital project has been approved through SED and has entered the bid phase; Phase II includes HVAC, gym and main entrance facade work at the Middle School, along with the High School gym entrance, and upgrades to the wastewater facility; the turf project is progressing through SED; this year the seniors will be going to Hershey Park and having dinner together on the way back; Men's Senior Baseball League, Inc. made a request to use our facilities on Sundays when needed, they will prep the fields and provide liability insurance, the board had no objection to the facilities being used.

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

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the approve the Constellation 36-month fixed price renewal.

## 7. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the March 2023 Extraclassroom Report.

## 8. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda as follows:

***Acceptance and Approval of the letter of resignation received from Jaimie Wheeler from her Special Education position effective August 20, 2023.***

***Approval of the following permanent appointments:***

- Charles Cornell
- Kendra Seaver

***Approval of the following probationary appointment(s):***

Name of appointee:	Jacqueline Medovich
Tenure area:	Academic Language
Date of commencement of probationary service:	September 1, 2023
Expiration date of appointment:	August 31, 2026*
	*1-year prior tenure credit granted
Certification status:	Spanish 7-12, Supplementary Certificate expires August 31, 2028

*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.*

## 9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

## 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to enter executive session at 7:13pm to discuss CSE/CPSE/504 matters, and the employment history of a particular person or persons leading to the appointment of a particular person or persons.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations.

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to return to public session at 8:15pm.

## **11. ADJOURN**

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:16pm.

Kristy Robertson  
Clerk