

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
July 31, 2024

Present: Mrs. Cathi Root, President
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President arrived at 6:03pm
Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Member
Mr. Scot Taylor, Member
Mrs. Lee Wood, Member

Adm./Others: Mr. Joshua Roe, Superintendent
Mrs. Michelle Bombard, ES Principal
Mr. James Wood, Interim HS Principal
Mrs. Kendra Seaver, Business Executive
Mrs. Kristy Robertson, Clerk

Others:

Absent: Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member
Mrs. Mary Grace Camin, MS Principal
Mr. Willard Cook, MS Principal
Mr. Owen Kelso, Director of CSE

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the July 2, 2024, Reorganizational and Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

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

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, member, arrived at 6:03pm

Mrs. Bombard reported that 16 new Kindergarten students have registered since the end of the school year; next Tuesday will be a screening day for newly registered PreK and Kindergarten students; 3rd and 4th grade classrooms are getting new furniture as part of a grant, teachers have been in getting their rooms ready; Mr. Stevens has been in getting his new room ready; in two

weeks, 3rd and 4th grade teachers will be attending a training through BOCES on CBT; teacher letters will be going home to parents/students at the end of next week.

Mr. Wood reported that Mr. Alexander and the summer honors band had a concert in the middle school auditorium on July 26th; credit recovery started Monday for a handful of students, all but one student attended; the beginning of the fall sports season is less than a month away.

Mrs. Camin was unable to attend the meeting and sent a report that Mr. Roe read to the board. The report stated that it has been a welcoming and exciting month back in the middle school; all vacancies in the middle school have been filled for the upcoming school year; credit recovery will be completed on August 1st; welcome letters and updates will be send out by August 9th; orientations will be held from August 27th through August 29th; a big thank you to our custodial staff for all of their hard work over the summer getting the buildings ready for a new school year.

Mr. Roe reported that construction in the middle school gym was adjusted to account for a 3.5 inch height difference in the gym floor; bleachers in the middle school gym will be done on 2nd shift and completed by September 12th; concrete will be poured in the kitchen tomorrow and then ceiling, tile and equipment work will begin; the high school cafeteria has been emptied and cleaned in preparation for the annual alumni banquet this Saturday; upgrades at the waste water treatment plant are on hold until the right bearings arrive; the district is still on the waiting list for EPA funding for electric buses and we are hoping to have more information in the next month or two; Governor Hochul has directed the Rockefeller Institute to review and report on the Foundation Aid formula by December 1st, Mr. Roe and other area superintendents will be attending a meeting on the financial aid study next week and will also be meeting with local politicians.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Scot Taylor, seconded by Lee Wood and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve the Old/New Business Consent Agenda as follows:

Approval of the Parent Handbook for 2024/25

Approval of the Transportation Manual for 2024/25

Approval of the Athletic Handbook for 2024/25

Approval of the Bus Driver Manual for 2024/25

7. FINANCIAL

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

Approval of the June 2024 Extraclassroom Report

Approval of the June 2024 Treasurer's Report

Approval of the Tax Warrant

8. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Lee Wood, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda as follows:

Acceptance and approval of the letter received from Emily Losier, resigning her position of Monitor. Emily's last day of service is retroactive to 6/30/24

Acceptance and approval of the letter received from Amanda Forrest, resigning her position of Monitor. Amanda's last day of service will be 8/31/2024

Approval of the following probationary appointment(s):

Name of appointee: Kaitlyn McWhorter
Tenure area: Guidance Counselor (HS)
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2024
Expiration date of appointment*: August 31, 2028
Certification status: School Counselor, Initial 6/10/2023

Name of appointee: Vicki Tibbals
Tenure area: Academic Science (MS)
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2024
Expiration date of appointment*: August 31, 2027**
**1-year prior tenure credit granted
Certification status: Biology 7-12, Permanent 9/1/2006

Name of appointee: Shannon Pelrah
Tenure area: Special Education (HS)
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2024
Expiration date of appointment*: August 31, 2028
Certification status: Applied for Students w/Disabilities (All Grades) 1/21/24

*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 addition to the volunteer list:

Stephanie Hills- Volleyball

Approval of the following addition(s) to the substitute list(s) for the 24-25 school year:

- Stephanie MacDonald- Instructional Staff retroactive to 7/1/24
- Kaitlyn McWhorter- Instructional Staff retroactive to 7/8/24
- Vicki Tibbals- Instructional Staff
- Shannon Pelrah- Instructional Staff
- Sadie VanAllen- Instructional Staff
- Carl Cole- Support Staff

9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Lee Wood, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to enter executive session at 6:23pm 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 Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to return to public session at 7:56pm.

11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Lee Wood, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:57pm.

Kristy Robertson
Clerk