

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
Regular Meeting  
September 21, 2022

Present: Mrs. Cathi Root, President  
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President  
Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member  
Mr. Chris Klossner, Member  
Mr. Gregory Schweiger, 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  
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Director of Pupil Services  
Mrs. Kristy Robertson, Clerk

Others: Mr. Alex MacDonald

Absent: Mr. Joshua Whitmore, Member

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**3. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC**

**4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the September 7, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

**5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

Mrs. Zwierlein reported that she will be attending the legislative meeting tomorrow night.

Mr. Schweiger reported that he will be attending the health trust consortium meeting on October 21, 2022.

There was nothing to report for Workers' Compensation, or Other Board Reports, Events, or Updates.

Mrs. Meister reported that there have been more move-ins that require services, and she is working on finding them the correct placement, she will have more to report on that at the next meeting; she also reported that she is in the process of scheduling a training through BOCES on the proper way to handle and de-escalate combative student behavior.

Mr. Cook reported that he is continuing to work with Kelsey Sheldon on chronic student absences; he worked with Mary Grace Camin to identify students that will benefit from extra support through AIS; student council elections are next week; a new program was started this year to give extra support to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students academically.

Mrs. Camin reported that she has started meeting with new teachers and stopping into their classrooms to help address any issues they may be having and to celebrate the wonderful things they are doing; she is also finalizing the agenda for the October 6<sup>th</sup> Superintendent's Conference Day.

Mrs. Bombard reported that it has been a great start to the year, despite sickness; benchmarking has been finished and student of concern meetings will start next week; teachers and staff have been focusing on routines and structure with the students to set them up for success this school year.

Mr. Josh Roe acknowledged Mr. Cook for recognizing that in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades some students need more of the focus on classroom learning and work, and less focus on homework, Mr. Roe has carried this philosophy through to the high school; he also reported that the start of school went very smoothly with students and that Covid is still here and very real, current guidelines require 5 days of quarantine for a positive test and then 5 days of being masked; after school activities are back and great to see students being able to participate, clubs will be starting soon too; high school Spanish is planning a trip to NYC on October 8<sup>th</sup> to visit the 9/11 memorial and see Sebastian Yatra.

Mr. Roe also reported on the status of projects, the ERATE project that is expanding Wi-Fi to the stadium press box is nearly done and will allow for security cameras to be used in this area, the fuel tank project is complete and has come in under budget, 13 outdated cameras have been updated with newer cameras and the district will receive 90% of the cost reimbursed by the state; the lights in the HS gym/elementary parking lot have been fixed and are now working as they should.

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein asked for more details on how the clubs at high school work for the students to participate, Mr. Roe explained that the students are given a flier with all the clubs listed and a brief description of what they are about. Most club meetings are held afterschool.

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

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the New/Old Business Consent Agenda as follows:

**Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between TCSD and Tioga Support Staff**  
**First reading of policy:**

- *Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Required for All Projects Exempt Under RPTL 487*

*Second and final reading will take place at the meeting on October 5*

**Approval of the establishment of the new student activity/club and stipend activity/club advisor position, Tri-M Music Honor Society**

## **7. FINANCIAL**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as follows:

**Approval of August 2022 Treasurer's Report**

**Approval of August 2022 Extraclassroom Report**

## **8. PERSONNEL**

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

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

*Tabitha Blevins*

*Debra Ham*

*Alyssa Mosher*

*Carissa Nelson*

*Elizabeth Strong*

**Approval of the following addition(s) to the sub list(s):**

*Judy Jura- Instructional Staff retroactive to September 1, 2022*

*Matthew Grosso- Instructional Staff*

*Stuart Hill- Support Staff (Custodial)*

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

Mr. Alex MacDonald thanked the Board for all their support.

## **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to enter executive session at 6:42 pm to discuss the employment history of a particular employee and CSE/CPSE/504 matters.

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

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to return to public session at 7:36 pm.

**11. ADJOURN**

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm.

Kristy Robertson  
Clerk