

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
October 2, 2024

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

Adm./Others: Mr. Joshua Roe, Superintendent
Mrs. Mary Grace Camin, MS Principal
Mrs. Michelle Bombard, ES Principal
Mr. James Wood, Interim HS Principal
Mrs. Kristy Robertson, Clerk

Others:

Absent: Mr. Owen Kelso, Director of CSE
Mr. Scot Taylor, 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 Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the September 18, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Roe reported that there was a Legislative meeting on Thursday, September 19th at 6:00pm that he attended along with Mr. Scot Taylor. At the meeting, there were 28 different items that the representatives voted to support or not support at the legislative level. Plans for the upcoming legislative dinner were also discussed.

There is a Health Trust Consortium meeting scheduled for Friday, October 25th at 6:00pm. Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Mr. Joshua Roe, and Mrs. Kendra Seaver plan to attend the meeting.

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

Mr. Kelso was absent from the meeting.

Mrs. Camin reported that next Friday is a Superintendent's Conference Day, 7th and 8th grade teachers work as a grade level scheduling conferences to allow parents to meet with all teachers conveniently; student council has begun, students interested in being part of student council prepared a speech that they read out loud during lunch and then the students voted to select a representative, the first meetings will be held tomorrow and Friday to plan for spirit week; district students have been invited to participate in Girls in Engineering Day again this year, there will be ten 6th grade girls attending the event.

Mrs. Bombard reported that planning is underway for next Friday's Conference Day; the big brother and sister program has begun, high school students are paired with elementary students as positive mentors; Mrs. Foley is working on coordinating high school helpers that volunteer in elementary classrooms during their study halls; elementary counselor, Trish Brown is working with the other building counselors to plan activities to celebrate Red Ribbon Week, to promote drug-abuse prevention, during the last week of October; Trish Brown is also working with SRO, Scott Cipollina to plan a presentation for students regarding online safety and awareness of people posing as kids online.

Mr. Wood reported that fall sports are winding down and a few teams have already celebrated their seniors, thank you to Mrs. Bailey for the awesome programs; winter sports signups are underway and numbers are looking good; SRO, Scott Cipollina is working with teachers and giving presentations in classrooms; TC3 is hosting a college fair on October 15th that students will be visiting from 11am-1pm, dozens of colleges and universities will be on hand to talk with students about their school.

Mr. Roe reported that he visited local schools with Mr. Shay to learn more about their approach to PR, the last school they visited had a student club that handled the district PR, Mr. Shay and his videography club plan to take over updating the district Facebook page; most areas of construction are at the punch list phase; the original plan to hang banners in the gym is being adjusted to best hold them in place, once the details are finalized the banners will be hung; at the NYSCOSS conference in Albany there was an informative AI session and the Rockefeller Institute gave an overview of their review of the NYS foundation aid formula, along with a question-and-answer session that left more questions than answers; there was a Schooltool training session today for teachers on entering progress report and report card grades; school messenger is now working; the parent portal is now active and includes the NYS required digital survey for parents to complete.

Mrs. Camin added to her report that in the first month of school, 691 books have been circulated out of the middle school library.

Mrs. Cathi Root asked if the roof project is complete. Mr. Roe answered that the project is near completion due to being slowed down by several rainy days recently.

Mrs. Cathi Root asked for an update on the building condition survey being done to identify and help with planning of future projects. Mr. Roe answered that Mike James, with King + King Architects is working on the survey and the report should be ready to present to the board in November.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

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

***Approval** of the 2024 Audit Report for the school year ending June 30, 2024*

7. FINANCIAL

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

***Approval** of the August 2024 Extraclassroom Report*

***Approval** of the Food Service Meat and Cheese Bid*

***Accept and Award** bids for the Surplus Auction as outlined.*

8. PERSONNEL

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

***Acceptance and Approval** of the letter received from Alysa Williams, resigning her custodial worker position. Alysa's last day of service is retroactive to 9/20/24*

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

- *Larry Cole- Support Staff*
- *Dennis Blair- Support Staff*

***Approval** of the following resolution:*

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Tioga Central School District, Tioga County, New York, has called a Special School District election of the qualified voters of said School District to be held on the 5th day of November 2024; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for the appointment of a permanent chairman, chief election inspector and assistant clerks for said special 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. Kristy Robertson, a duly qualified voter of said School District is hereby appointed as the **permanent chairperson** of the special 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 special school district election, so that there shall be at least two inspectors for each ballot box/voting machine to be used thereat:

Cynthia Middendorf, Taylor Robertson, Debra Sherman, Shirley Sherman

Section 3. Kristy Robertson is hereby designated as **chief election inspector**.

Section 4. Each inspector of election appointed for said special 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 special school district election.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Lee Wood and carried by a vote of 5-0 to enter executive session at 6:35pm 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 Lee Wood, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, 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 7:32pm.

11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Lee Wood and carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:33pm.

Kristy Robertson
Clerk