

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
October 5, 2022

Present: Mrs. Cathi Root, President
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President
Mr. Chris Klossner, Member
Mr. Joshua Whitmore, 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. Kendra Seaver, Business Executive
Mrs. Kristy Robertson, Clerk

Others: Mr. Dan Stauder
Mrs. Karen Stauder
Ms. Leslie Spurgin, Insero
Ms. Nicole Lamberti, Morning Times

Absent: Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member
Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Member
Mrs. Lee Wood, 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 Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the September 21, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

5. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Zwierlein reported that she attended the September 22nd Legislative Meeting and gave a brief report about the meeting. At the meeting the chair and vice chair were elected, and

legislative shadows were appointed, Mrs. Zwierlein will be shadowing Assemblyman Chris Friend. Mrs. Zwierlein also reported that Tioga is the only district in BTBOCES that is not a member of NYSSBA, there was a short discussion of the pros and cons of NYSSBA membership. SBA Annual Business Meeting and Meet the Candidates Night will be held on Thursday, October 20th. The legislative breakfast will be on February 24th.

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

Mrs. Meister reported that there are two students on home instruction and one more potential off campus placement; she stated that she is having difficulty getting the NCI training scheduled and the training will not take place on the October 7th conference day, but she will continue to work on getting a future date scheduled; she also reported that all intake meetings are complete.

Mr. Cook reported that 5-week reports will be going home with students next Tuesday, October 11th and he is continuing to work with Kelsey Sheldon regarding a few students that are chronically absent.

Mrs. Camin reported that she has met with new teacher mentors; the agenda for Friday's conference day is all set and includes professional development trainings, parent/teacher conferences and a trail mix bar.

Mrs. Bombard acknowledged that her staff has done an outstanding job in the first few weeks of school, battling illness and getting students back into a school routine; she also reported that the master schedule is built and all students are placed where they need to be throughout the day; parent/teacher conferences will be held Friday afternoon; the first attendance report has been printed, most issues are with students chronically being tardy and letters will be sent home for those students; two after school programs in the community have contacted the district and a letter of interest was sent home with students; the social worker/guidance counselor position is currently being filled by a long term sub while the search for a permanent placement continues; the elementary school held their first Top Tiger assembly and celebration.

Mr. Josh Roe acknowledged Mountain Top Greenhouse for their continued support of our students with their \$445 donation to Modified Field Hockey, Bowling, and Science Olympiad; the district will continue to support our local 4-H youth and allow the Animal Aholics club to use the transportation facilities for meetings and activities; Mr. Shay is starting an e-gaming club at the high school using donated materials, the club will be holding meetings before and after school to accommodate all 46 students that have signed up and their schedules; Mr. Roe is working with the business office to evaluate salaries after NYS proposed a \$1.00 per hour minimum wage increase; in an effort to comply with all district and legal policies, student drivers have been issued an assigned and numbered parking spot once all of their paperwork has been submitted to the high school office; Homecoming will be on Friday, October 21st and Spirit Week will be October 17th-October 21st with a pep rally on Friday, October 21st; Mr. Roe also stated that the freshman class has had a great start to the year; students' schedules were modified due to the

last minute Spanish teacher appointment to begin the school year, all schedule changes have been made and students are placed in the proper class; at this time two applications have been submitted for the Dean of Students position that is posted.

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein asked how students get their ticket(s) for the homecoming dance. Mr. Roe stated that tickets are available to purchase during lunch periods throughout spirit week.

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein asked if hallway decorating was still a part of spirit week. Mr. Roe confirmed that hallway decorating is still a part of spirit week and would occur on Thursday, October 20th from 6-10pm.

Mrs. Leslie Spurgin reviewed the DRAFT of the audit report with the board and answered any questions that came up.

After Mrs. Leslie Spurgin's report, Mr. Roe acknowledged the outstanding job Mrs. Kendra Seaver and Mrs. Renee Wainwright have done on the financial end of the business office.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the Old/New Business Consent Agenda as follows:

*Second reading and adoption of new policy 5241, Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)
Required For All Projects Exempt Under RPTL 487*

7. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Chris Klossner, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as follows:

Approval of the application for corrected tax roll for Spencer property

Approval to advertise bidding of CNC Mill with Lathe Attachment

Acceptance and approval of donation from Visions Loves Educators for Ms. Gusefski's classroom

8. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda as follows:

Approval of the following co-curricular appointment:

Nicholas Alexander Tri-M Music Honor Society Advisor

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

Laura Joyce Beehler- Support Staff (Bus Driver)

Mitchell Stahl- Support Staff (Custodial)

Livia Gumble- Instructional Staff

Approval of the following resignation:

Letter received from Kathryn Mayer resigning her position of Bus Garage Cleaner effective September 30, 2022

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein inquired how the district was doing with bus drivers. Mr. Roe replied that the district is currently fully staffed with drivers.

Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein asked what the district's plan was regarding electric bus mandates. Mr. Roe gave a brief description of the current mandates, along with state and federal grants available for funding.

9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

Mrs. Karen Stauder inquired about the recent change made to a high school science class. Mr. Roe gave a brief explanation regarding the change. Mrs. Karen Stauder had no further questions.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to enter executive session at 6:58 pm to discuss CSE/CPSE/504 matters.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations.

A MOTION was made by Chris Klossner, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to return to public session at 8:00 pm.

11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Kristy Robertson
Clerk