

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
February 26, 2024**

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Susan Watson led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board Members were in attendance: Randal Kerr, Susan Watson, James Phillips, Anthony Tavelli, Sarah Hines and Lisa Jensen. Board Member Stuart Wandell was absent. The following school personnel were in attendance: Timothy Calice, Ji Katchuk, Todd Schaffer, Edward Mertson, Jami Fabrizio, Randy Zukowski, JoAnn Byrne, Stacy Vergason and Tina Engelhard. There were 11 guests.

ATTENDANCE

Presentations: **Academic Support Center (ACS)** – Stacy Vergason, Library Media Specialist, provided a report on the ACS (origin, student scheduling, funding and future plans). The upstairs library was renovated to provide students with a place to go to make up tests/quizzes, receive academic support from a teacher, work with student tutors and collaborate on projects. Two student tutors, Aiyanna Stebbins and Katie Rombach, are National Honor Society members and spoke of their participation and experiences. Discussions followed.

Stuart Wandell arrived at 5:54 p.m.

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2024.

MINUTES

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report: **District Updates:** Superintendent Calice stated the **Elementary School Principal** position was recently posted with a deadline of March 1, 2024. The timeline will be aggressive and staff from Nathan T. Hall will be a part of the process. Discussions followed. The **Strategic Planning** process will soon begin and will include community feedback through ThoughtExchange. Discussions followed. **Snapshots of Success:** Titus Callahan and Cadin Creeley did an outstanding job competing in the recent NYS Wrestling Championships. Girls' Varsity Basketball will be playing against Susquehanna Valley in the Section IV Class B Semi-Final on Tuesday, February 27, 2024. Discussions followed. **Budget** – Randy Zukowski, Transportation Supervisor, presented the **Vehicle Replacement Plan** of the proposed 2024-2025 Budget. Discussions followed (i.e., 10-year vehicle purchase history, fleet profile, electric buses, recommendations, etc.). Ji Katchuk, School Business Administrator, reviewed the **Status and Use of Reserve Funds in Future Budgets, Debt Service, Capital Reserve Project, Tax Levy Limit Calculation** of the proposed 2024-2025 Budget. Discussions followed (i.e., long/short term liabilities, reserve funds, existing debt, etc.).

Instruction: None.

Financial Reports:

Motion by A. Tavelli, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 2-24-G6, 2-24-G7 and 2-24-G8

2-24-G6

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the Treasurer's Report for January 2024 with balances as follows:

General Fund	\$1,552,248.60
Special Reserves	\$1,020,567.21
Special Reserve CD	\$3,950,690.54
School Lunch Fund	\$ 340,332.25
Special Aid Fund	\$ 58,468.67
Capital Fund	\$ 673,514.81
Debt Service Fund	\$ 921,136.76

**ACCEPT TREASURER'S
REPORTS-JANUARY
2024**

2-24-G7

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Comprehensive Budget Status Reports for: General Fund, Repair Reserve Fund, Unemployment Reserve Fund, Property Loss Reserve Fund, Retirement Reserve Fund, Employee Benefit Reserve Fund, Vehicle Reserve Fund, Capital Reserve Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund, Capital Fund and Debt Service Fund dated January 2024.

**APPR BUDGET STATUS
REPORTS- JANUARY
2024**

**APPR BUDGET STATUS
REPORTS- JANUARY
2024**

2-24-G8

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Extra Classroom Activity Fund Reports for the month of January 2024.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by L. Jensen, and seconded by A. Tavelli, for approval of resolutions 2-24-G9, 2-24-G10, 2-24-G11 and 2-24-G12

**ACCEPT 2ND READING-
POLICY 4700 – WORK-
PLACE VIOLENCE
PREVENTION**

2-24-G9

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the Second Reading of Policy 4700 – Workplace Violence Prevention.

**ADOPT 2024-2025
INSTRUCTIONAL
CALENDAR**

2-24-G10

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby adopts the 2024-2025 Instructional School Calendar as presented.

**APPR CORRECTED
REPORT OF TAX
COLLECTOR**

2-24-G11

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the corrected Report of Tax Collector for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year dated February 8, 2024 and attached to and made part of these minutes.

**APPR CONTRACT-
UPSTATE SECURITY
CONSULTANTS**

2-24-G12

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion of L. Jensen, seconded by A. Tavelli, the Board approves the contract with Upstate Security Consultants, LLC, as attached to and made part of these minutes, and authorizes the Board of Education President to sign the Agreement.

Pursuant to all relevant laws, codes, and policies, the contracted employee of Upstate Security Consultants, LLC, is authorized to carry a firearm while fulfilling the duties of the contract on campus. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to rescind or modify this written authorization.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by S. Wandell, for approval of resolutions 2-24-NC5, 2-24-NC6, 2-24-NC7 and 2-24-NC8

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION-
CUSTODIAL WORKER**

2-24-NC5

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Zachary Evans, Custodial Worker, effective February 16, 2024.

**APPR PROB APPT-FOOD
SERVICE WORKER/
HELPER**

2-24-NC6

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Sheila Hollenbeck, Food Service Worker/Helper, effective February 27, 2024 through February 26, 2025.

**APPR PROB APPT-FOOD
SERVICE WORKER/
HELPER**

2-24-NC7

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Ena Way, Food Service Worker/Helper, effective February 27, 2024 through February 26, 2025.

**APPR PROB APPT-FOOD
SERVICE WORKER/
HELPER**

2-24-NC8

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Tanya Odd, Food Service Worker/Helper, effective February 27, 2024 through February 26, 2025.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Board Matters:

- Board President Randal Kerr and Superintendent Calice spoke on the recent Legislative Breakfast.
- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, March 11, 2024, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School
- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, March 25, 2024, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School

NEXT BOE MTG-3/11/24

BOE MTG

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by S. Watson, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 6:44 p.m. for the purpose of discussing CSE recommendations and collective bargaining.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Motion by S. Watson, seconded by J. Phillips, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

February 26, 2024


Tina A. Engelhard, District Clerk
Newark Valley Central School District