

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
January 24, 2022

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met in regular session at 5:33 p.m. Susan Watson led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board Members were in attendance: Randal Kerr, Susan Watson, James Phillips, Sarah Hines, Lisa Jensen and Stuart Wandell. Board Member Anthony Tavelli was absent. The following school personnel were in attendance: Ryan Dougherty, Ji Katchuk, Todd Schaffer, Greg Asfoury, Robert Rodgers, Jami Fabrizio, Valerie Murtha, Heidi Cardone, Riann Warren and Tina Engelhard. There were three (3) guests.

ATTENDANCE

Presentation: None.

Privilege of the Floor: None

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2022.

MINUTES

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

**Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Dougherty spoke on: **NCRERN:** This is a free one (1) year partnership with researchers at Harvard University. Harvard will be working with 20 NYS rural districts where data will be analyzed and interventions for application and implementation provided. One area to be examined is college readiness/post-secondary enrollment. Discussions followed. **Executive Budget Run:** The news from Albany is not terrible but not good with a 4% on the Executive Budget run. Discussions followed. **COVID:** There is a 62% drop in cases in the last week. The Executive Orders are set to expire on February 1, 2022. It is possible that the Governor may let the orders expire. Discussions followed. **Instructional Update:** Valerie Murtha, Director of Data & Instructional Progress, spoke on COVID and substitute teachers, Jolynn Thompson providing the much needed instructional support that includes data collection and reporting, the 2022-2025 Technology Plan and the recent Grades 3 through 8 Math and ELA computer simulations. Discussions followed. **Snapshots of Success:** Mr. Dougherty thanked Kyle Guerin, BOCES I.T., for the great job he has done for and with the District over the past four (4) years. He is being promoted and moving to Windsor CSD.

**Old Business:**

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 7-21-G1 and 7-21-G2

**7-21-G1 (AMENDED)**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby approves appointment of the following Committee on Preschool Special Education and list of Preschools within Tioga County and adjoining Counties:

APPT COMMITTEE ON  
PRESCHOOL EDUCA-  
TION AND APPROVED  
PRESCHOOLS  
(AMENDED)

1. The parents of the preschool child,
2. An additional parent member of a child with a disability residing in the school district or a neighboring school district and whose child is enrolled in a preschool or elementary level education program, provided that such parent is not a required member, if specifically requested in writing by the parent of the student or by a member of the school at least 72 hours prior to the meeting (Autumn Lavine),
3. Not less than one regular education teacher of the child whenever the child is or may be participating in the regular education environment. The specific staff member to attend will be determined by the CPSE Chairperson.
4. Not less than one special education teacher, or, if appropriate, not less than one special education provider of the child. The specific staff member to attend will be determined by the CPSE Chairperson.
5. A representative of the district who is qualified to provide or supervise special education and who is knowledgeable about the general education curriculum and the availability of preschool special education programs and services and other resources of the school district and municipality. The representative of the school district shall serve as the chairperson of the committee. This person is appointed as **Chairperson** – Jami Fabrizio (Alternate: Morgan Crandell, Suzette Fahey, or ~~Danielle Fenner Heidi Cardone~~).
6. An individual who can interpret the instructional implications of evaluation results, provided that such individual may also be the individual appointed as the regular education teacher, the special education teacher or special education provider, the school psychologist, the representative of the school district or a

**APPT COMMITTEE ON  
PRESCHOOL EDUCA-  
TION AND APPROVED  
PRESCHOOLS  
(AMENDED) (CONT.)**

- person having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student when such member is determined by the school district to have the knowledge and expertise to fulfill this role on the committee.
7. Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the child, including related services personnel as appropriate, as the school district or the parents shall designate. The determination of knowledge or special expertise of such person shall be made by the party (parents or school district) who invited the individual to be a member of the committee on special education.
  8. For a child in transition from early intervention programs and services, the appropriate professional designated by the agency that has been charged with the responsibility for the preschool child; and the child with the disability, whenever appropriate.
  9. A representative of the municipality of the preschool child's residence, provided that the attendance of the appointee of the municipality shall not be required for a quorum.
  10. For Initial Referrals Only - a professional who participated in the evaluation of the child, appointed by the evaluating agency, for any meetings prior to the initial recommendation for a child for whom services are first being sought, or, an appropriate professional employed by the school district - Morgan Crandell (Alternates: Suzette Fahey, Debra Berghorn, Sarah Cianciosi, Danielle Fenner Heidi Cardone).

**List of Approved Preschools: Broome County:** Children's Therapy Network, Children's Unit for Treatment & Evaluation, Franziska Racker Center Inc., Handicapped Children's Association, Family Enrichment Network/The Child Development Council. **Tioga County:** Children's Therapy Network, Children's Unit for Treatment & Evaluation, Franziska Racker Center Inc., Handicapped Children's Association, Family Enrichment Network/The Child Development Council. **Tompkins County:** Children's Therapy Network, Children's Unit for Treatment & Evaluation, Franziska Racker Center Inc., PLLC Hear 2 Learn.

**APPT COMMITTEE ON  
SPECIAL EDUCATION  
(AMENDED)**

**7-21-G2 (AMENDED)**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby approves appointment of the following Committee on Special Education (District Level):

1. The parents or persons in parental relationship to the student.
2. Not less than one regular education teacher of the child whenever the child is or may be participating in the regular education environment. The specific staff member to attend will be determined by the CSE Chairperson.
3. Not less than one special education teacher, or, if appropriate, not less than one special education provider of the child. The specific staff member to attend will be determined by the CSE Chairperson.
4. A school psychologist.
5. A representative of the district who is qualified to provide or supervise special education and who is knowledgeable about the general education curriculum and the availability of resources of the school district, provided that an individual who meets these qualifications may also be the same individual appointed as the special education teacher or the special education provider of the student or school psychologist. The representative of the school district shall serve as the chairperson of the committee. This person is appointed as Chairperson - Jami Fabrizio (Alternate: Morgan Crandell, Suzette Fahey, or Danielle Fenner Heidi Cardone).
6. An individual who can interpret the instructional implications of evaluation results, provided that such individual may also be the individual appointed as the regular education teacher, the special education teacher or special education provider, the school psychologist, the representative of the school district or a person having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student when such member is determined by the school district to have the knowledge and expertise to fulfill this role on the committee.
7. A school physician, if specifically requested in writing by the parent of the student or by a member of the school at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.
8. An additional parent member of a child with a disability residing in the school district or a neighboring school district, provided that such parent may be the parent of a student who has been declassified within a period not to exceed five years or the parent of a student who has graduated within a period not to exceed five years if specifically requested in writing by the parent of the student or by a member of the school at least 72 hours prior to the meeting (Autumn Lavine).
9. Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the child, including related services personnel as appropriate, as the school district or the parents shall designate. The determination of knowledge or special expertise of such person shall be made by the party (parents or school district) who invited the individual to be a member of the committee on special education.
10. The child with the disability, whenever appropriate.

APPT COMMITTEE ON  
SPECIAL EDUCATION  
(AMENDED) (CONT.)

Subcommittees on Special Education membership (Nathan T. Hall Elementary School, Middle School, High School)

1. The parents of the student.
2. Not less than one regular education teacher of the student whenever the student is or may be participating in the regular education environment.
3. Not less than one of the student's special education teachers or, if appropriate, not less than one special education provider of the student. The specific staff member to attend will be determined by the CSE Chairperson.
4. A representative of the district who is qualified to provide, administer or supervise special education and who is knowledgeable about general education curriculum and who is knowledgeable about the availability of resources of the school district. This person is appointed as Chairperson – Jami Fabrizio (Alternate: Morgan Crandell, Suzette Fahey, or ~~Danielle Fenner Heidi Cardone~~).
5. A school psychologist, whenever a new psychological evaluation is reviewed or a change to a program option with a more intensive staff/student ratio is considered.
6. An individual who can interpret the instructional implications of evaluation results, who may be a member appointed pursuant to sections 2-5 or 7 of this paragraph.
7. Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student, including related services personnel as appropriate, as the committee or the parents shall designate. The determination of knowledge or special expertise of such person shall be made by the party (parents or school district) who invited the individual to be a member of the subcommittee on special education.
8. The student, if appropriate.

Vote: 6 Yes            0 No            1 Absent            Motion carried.

**Financial Reports:**

Motion by L. Jensen, and seconded by S. Watson, for approval of resolutions 1-22-G10, 1-22-G11 and 1-22-G12

**1-22-G10**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the Treasurer's Report for December 2021 with balances as follows:

ACCEPT TREASURER'S  
REPORTS-DECEMBER  
2021

General Fund	\$2,011,440.04
Special Reserves	\$7,176,822.80
Special Reserve CD	\$ -
School Lunch Fund	\$ 59,845.86
Special Aid Fund	\$ 17,152.77
Capital Fund	\$ 56,595.24
Debt Service Fund	\$ 746,213.96

**1-22-G11**

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 December 2021.

APPR BUDGET STATUS  
REPORTS- DECEMBER  
2021

**1-22-G12**

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 December 2021.

APPR EXTRA CLASS-  
ROOM ACTIVITY  
REPORTS- DECEMBER  
2021

Vote: 6 Yes            0 No            1 Absent            Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Motion by L. Jensen, and seconded by S. Watson, for approval of resolutions 1-22-G13, 1-22-G14, 1-22-G15 and 1-22-G16

**1-22-G13**

PURSUANT to Education Law 2034(6)(b), more than six months have elapsed since the June 16, 2020 and May 18, 2021 school board elections and budget votes; and, upon the information and belief of the Board of Education, there have been no challenges or proceedings commenced; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the District Clerk to unseal and open the ballot boxes and destroy the official ballots contained therein, together with the unused ballots, if any.

AUTH DESTRUCTION  
OF BALLOTS-JUNE 2020  
& MAY 2021 SCHOOL  
BRD ELECTIONS &  
BUDGET VOTES

APPR FUNDING-NV  
CSEA, LOCAL 1000  
AFSCME CONTRACT

1-22-G14

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion of L. Jensen, seconded by S. Watson, the Board of Education hereby approves the funding for the contract between Newark Valley Central School District and CSEA, Local 1000 AFSCME, effective July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2025.

APPR CONTRACT,  
TIOGA CO  
PRESCHOOL SPEC ED  
CONTRACT

1-22-G15

Upon the motion of L. Jensen, seconded by S. Watson, the Board of Education approves Individual and Agency Contract with Tioga County Public Health Department for Preschool Special Education Services Program during December 10, 2021 through June 30, 2022, as attached to and made part of these minutes, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to sign the Contract.

APPR CONTRACT-THE  
RESEARCH FOUNDATION  
FOR THE STATE  
UNIV OF NY FOR  
PRESCHOOL SPEECH  
& LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGIST SRVCS

1-22-G16

Upon the motion of L. Jensen, seconded by S. Watson, the Board of Education approves the contract with The Research Foundation for The State University of New York for preschool speech and language pathologist services during January 24, 2022 through July 8, 2022, as attached to and made part of these minutes, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to sign the Contract.

Vote: 6 Yes                      0 No                      1 Absent                      Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by S. Wandell, for approval of resolutions 1-22-C3, 1-22-C3, 1-22-C4, 1-22-C5, 1-22-C6, 1-22-C7, 1-22-C8, 1-22-C9 and 1-22-C10

APPR TRANSFER-MS  
PRINCIPAL TO EXEC  
PRINCIPAL

1-22-C3

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the transfer of Todd Schaffer, Middle School Principal, to Executive Principal effective January 31, 2022.

APPR TRANSFER-HS  
PRINCIPAL TO MS  
PRINCIPAL

1-22-C4

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the transfer of Greg Asfoury, High School Principal, to Middle School Principal effective January 31, 2022.

APPR UP TO 95 UNPD  
LEAVE DAYS-HS  
MATH TEACHER

1-22-C5

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves up to 95 Unpaid Leave Days for Edward Mertson, High School Mathematics Teacher, effective January 31, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

APPR APPT-INTERIM  
HS PRINCIPAL

1-22-C6

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Edward Mertson, Interim High School Principal, effective January 31, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

APPR PROB APPT-  
ELEMENTARY APPT

1-22-C7

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the following probationary appointment:

Name of Appointee:	Jennifer Thomas
Tenure Area:	Elementary
Date of Commencement of probationary services:	February 28, 2022
Expiration date of the appointment:	February 27, 2025
Certification Status:	Students with Disabilities (Grades 7-12-Generalist); Professional Certificate effective 12/12/2020; Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6); Professional Certificate issued 12/20/20; Students with Disabilities (Birth-Grade 2); Professional Certificate issued 12/12/2020; Childhood Education (Grades 1-6); Professional Certificate pending; Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2); Professional Certificate pending.

APPR APPT-SUB  
TEACHER

1-22-C8

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Claire Rodgers, Substitute Teacher (uncertified), effective January 25, 2022.

1-22-C9

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Kelly Pickert, After School Enrichment, for the 2021-2022 school year, pending funding and student participation.

APPR APPT-2021-2022  
AFTER SCHOOL  
ENRICHMENT

1-22-C10

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Ashley Sage, Mentor, for the 2021-2022 school year.

APPR APPT-2021-2022  
MENTOR

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by S. Wandell, for approval of resolutions 1-22-NC9 and 1-22-NC10

1-22-NC9

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Heather Strohmeier, School Nurse, effective January 31, 2022 through January 30, 2023. (vice: K. Haney resignation)

APPR PROB APPT-  
SCHOOL NURSE

1-22-NC10

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Carol Pribulick, Substitute Teacher Aide (Classroom, Special Education, Cafeteria, Computer Lab), effective January 25, 2022.

APPR APPT-SUB  
TEACHER AIDE (CLASS-  
ROOM, SPEC ED,  
CAFETERIA,  
COMPUTER LAB)

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Board Matters:

- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, February 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School
- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, February 28, 2022, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School

NEXT BOE MTG-2/14/22  
BOE MTG

Motion by S. Wandell, seconded by S. Watson, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 5:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing CSE recommendations.

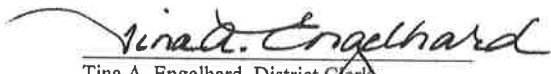
Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Motion by L. Jensen, seconded by J. Phillips, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 6:08 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

January 24, 2022

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