

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
January 8, 2024**

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. James Phillips led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board Members were in attendance: Randal Kerr, James Phillips, Anthony Tavelli, Sarah Hines and Stuart Wandell. Board Members Susan Watson and Lisa Jensen were absent. The following school personnel were in attendance: Timothy Calice, Ji Katchuk, Todd Schaffer, Greg Asfoury, Edward Mertson, Robert Rodgers, Jami Fabrizio, Stacy Hoyt, Natalia Conaty, Holly Truesdail and Tina Engelhard. There were 11 guests.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Susan Watson and Lisa Jensen arrived at 5:32 p.m.

Presentations: **Little Cardinal Dance Club** – Co-Advisors Natalia Conaty and Holly Truesdail stated the dance club was created in 2015 and currently has 90 dancers ranging from Kindergarten to Grade 3. The club practices for 12 weeks with a recital at the end. Sophia Ortu spoke to the Board about why she likes the dance club. Discussions followed. **15:1 Program** – Jami Fabrizio, Director of Special Education, provided an overview of the program, typical students who are selected for the program, distinction from NYSAA, the common vision between general education teachers, special education teachers and support staff as well as specifics for 15:1 subjects and other classes. Discussions followed (i.e., successes).

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by S. Watson, for approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session of December 11, 2023.

MINUTES

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report: District Updates: Superintendent Calice thanked staff and community members for their support and attendance in the dedication of the Jeff "Coach Ward" Gymnasium. Also, Mr. Calice stated Governor Hochul will hold her State of the State Address on January 9, 2024. Additionally, Mr. Calice asked if there were any discussions the Board would like for him to take to the SBA/CSO Legislative Meeting on January 18, 2024. Discussions followed. **Snapshots of Success:** Mr. Asfoury mentioned the Middle School recently held their Holiday Concert with 60% participation from Grades 5 and 6. Mr. Mertson spoke of Spirit Week, the student-faculty basketball game and the Senior Pancake Breakfast. Mr. Mertson also spoke of the outpouring of support from staff and the community for a student who is currently in the hospital. Discussions followed. Mr. Rodgers stated Nathan T. Hall's Morning Program recently had 60 parents and grandparents in attendance, and the Sharing Parade donated canned goods to the local food pantry before the holidays.

Review of Policies: Policy 4511–Sexual Harassment was revisited and:

On motion of S. Watson, seconded by J. Phillips, the Board of Education moved to waive the second reading of Policy 4511.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Instruction: None.

Financial Reports:

Motion by L. Jensen, and seconded by A. Tavelli, for approval of resolutions 1-24-G1, 1-24-G2 and 1-24-G3

1-24-G1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the Treasurer's Report for November 2023 with balances as follows:

General Fund	\$2,923,350.82
Special Reserves	\$1,019,182.26
Special Reserve CD	\$3,914,723.66
School Lunch Fund	\$ 329,024.86
Special Aid Fund	\$ 37,797.19
Capital Fund	\$ 700,490.42
Debt Service Fund	\$1,129,397.50

ACCEPT TREASURER'S
REPORTS-NOVEMBER
2023

**APPR BUDGET STATUS
REPORTS- NOVEMBER
2023**

1-24-G2

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 November 2023.

**APPR EXTRA CLASS-
ROOM ACTIVITY
REPORTS- NOVEMBER
2023**

1-24-G3

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 November 2023.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by A. Tavelli, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 1-24-G4 and 1-24-G5

**APPR MEMORANDUM
OF AGREEMENT -
SUPERINTENDENT OF
SCHOOLS**

1-24-G4

On motion of A. Tavelli, and seconded by J. Phillips, the Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Superintendent of Schools, attached to and made part of these minutes.

**ACCEPT 1ST READING,
WAIVE 2ND READING &
ADOPT POLICY 4511-
SEXUAL HARASSMENT
(AMENDED)**

1-24-G5 (AMENDED)

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the First Reading and waives the Second Reading of Policy 4511 – Sexual Harassment, and adopts as presented.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by S. Wandell, and seconded by L. Jensen, for approval of resolutions 1-24-C1 and 1-24-C2

**APPR APPT-SUB
TEACHER**

1-24-C1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Nikkota Spoonhower, Substitute Teacher (uncertified), effective January 9, 2024.

**APPR APPT-
ACCOMPANIST**

1-24-C2

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of James Apicella, Accompanist, for the 2023-2024 school year pending funding and student participation.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by A. Tavelli, and seconded by S. Watson, for approval of resolutions 1-24-NC1, 1-24-NC2, 1-24-NC3 1-24-NC4 and 1-24-NC5

**APPR PROBATIONARY
APPT-COOK MANAGER**

1-24-NC1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Karen Shelley, Cook Manager, effective January 9, 2024. (vice: E. Way retirement resignation)

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION-
CASHIER**

1-24-NC2

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Karen Shelley, Cashier, effective January 8, 2024.

**APPR APPT-SUB
TEACHER AIDE
(CLASSROOM, SPEC ED,
CAFÉ, COMPUTER LAB)**

1-24-NC3

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Madison Bigelow, Substitute Teacher Aide (Classroom, Special Education, Cafeteria, Computer Lab), effective December 18, 2023.

**APPR APPT-SUB
TEACHER AIDE
(CLASSROOM, SPEC ED,
CAFÉ, COMPUTER LAB)**

1-24-NC4

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Kimberly Clark, Substitute Teacher Aide (Classroom, Special Education, Cafeteria, Computer Lab), effective January 9, 2024.

1-24-NC5

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Nathan Ellis, Bus Driver (Route Jumper), effective December 31, 2023.

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION-
BUS DRIVER**

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Board Matters:

- Board Docs Presentation, Monday, January 22, 2024, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School
- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, January 22, 2024, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School

BOARD DOCS PRES

NEXT BOE MTG-1/22/24

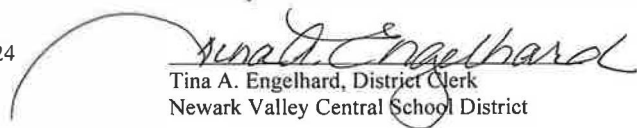
Motion by A. Tavelli, and seconded by J. Phillips, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 5:58 p.m. for the purpose of discussing CSE recommendations and performance of a specific individual.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by L. Jensen, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 6:15 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

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