

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
March 22, 2021**

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. The following Board Members were in attendance: Susan Watson, James Phillips, Anthony Tavelli, Sarah Hines, Lisa Jensen and Stuart Wandell. Board Member Randal Kerr was absent. The following school personnel were in attendance: Ryan Dougherty, Ji Katchuk, Todd Schaffer, Jami Fabrizio, Ted Hardenstine, Jolynn Thompson and Tina Engelhard.

ATTENDANCE

Presentation: Ji Katchuk provided a detailed review of the Administrative, Capital and Program components of the first draft of the proposed 2021-2022 Budget. Discussions followed.

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by S. Watson, for approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes and the Executive Session of March 8, 2021.

MINUTES

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Dougherty has been working with Tioga County Health Department on a vaccine clinic at the Middle School which is scheduled for March 24, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There are 300 1st shots and 200 2nd shots available. The Owego and Berkshire clinics were collapsed into the Newark Valley clinic. Discussions followed. **Budget Updates:** Superintendent Dougherty provided a general observation on the State Budget: It is currently unknown how much discretionary/earmarked dollars for schools is in the \$1.9 trillion Federal stimulus. The Senate and Assembly are proposing much larger school aide than the Governor. Superintendent Dougherty will keep the Board posted. Discussions followed. **Instruction During COVID:** Mr. Hardenstine (Middle School) and Ms. Thompson (Nathan T. Hall) spoke about their teaching perspectives and experiences and what it has meant for kids and the classrooms. They spoke on how instructing has evolved from Spring 2020 to the present, different teaching formats and styles, challenges, successes, kids' resiliency, surprises, etc. Discussions followed on review vs teaching, parent meetings and the appreciation of teachers.

Financial Reports:

Motion by A. Tavelli, and seconded by S. Wandell, for approval of resolutions 3-21-G8, 3-21-G9 and 3-21-G10

3-21-G8

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

ACCEPT TREASURER'S
REPORT-FEBRUARY
2021

General Fund	\$ 3,231,380.35
Special Reserves	\$ 6,292,040.54
Special Reserve CD	\$ -
School Lunch Fund	\$ 27,122.77
Special Aid Fund	\$ 23,577.67
Capital Fund	\$ 1,023,927.78
Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,048,579.72

3-21-G9

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 February 2021.

APPR BUDGET STATUS
REPORT- FEBRUARY
2021

3-21-G10

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 February 2021.

APPR EXTRA CLASS-
ROOM ACTIVITY-
FEBRUARY 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 3-21-G11, 3-21-G12, 3-21-G13 and 3-21-G14

3-21-G11

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion of L. Jensen, seconded J. Phillips, the Board of Education hereby approves

APPR FUNDING-VEAA
AGREEMENT

**APPR FUNDING-VEAA
AGREEMENT (CONT)**

the funding for the agreement between the Superintendent of Schools of the Newark Valley Central School District and the Valley Educational Administrator's Association.

**ADOPT 2021-2022
INSTRUCTIONAL
CALENDAR**

3-21-G12

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby adopts the 2021-2022 Instructional School Calendar as presented.

**NOTICE OF BUDGET
HEARING AND ANNUAL
VOTE**

3-21-G13

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND VOTE
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Budget Hearing

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District, as follows:

(1) A budget hearing of the qualified voters of Newark Valley Central School District (the "School District") shall be held in the School District on May 10, 2021 at the District Office located at the Newark Valley High School, 68 Wilson Creek Road, Newark Valley, New York beginning at 5:30 pm, where there shall be presented the proposed School District budget for the following year and for the purpose of voting upon the propositions described in the Annual Vote hereinafter set forth.

(2) The meeting shall be called by giving the following notice thereof:

Annual Vote

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Vote of the qualified voters of the School District, will be held at Newark Valley High School, 68 Wilson Creek Road, Newark Valley, New York, on the 18th day of May 2021. The vote will be on the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures, for propositions involving the expenditure of money or the authorizing of levy of taxes, as well as the election of members of the Board of Education. The vote upon such propositions shall be by paper ballot, and the polls shall be open for qualified voters of the School District desiring to vote on the propositions from 12:00 pm until 8:00 pm. The propositions to be voted on are: (i) acquire school buses and student transportation vehicle for the School District for its 2020-2021 Fiscal Year and (ii) to expend moneys from a voter approved capital reserve to pay a portion of the costs of the acquisition of school vehicles, including school buses and any other preliminary and incident costs related thereto. The polls shall be open until 8:00 pm. At such meeting, taxes to be levied by installment will be proposed. The following propositions will be submitted at said meeting and shall state the taxes to be proposed, the objects or purpose for which such taxes will be authorized, and the maximum amount to be expended for such objects or purpose:

Proposition No. 1

Shall the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District, located in the counties of Tioga, Tompkins, Cortland and Broome, State of New York, be authorized to finance the costs of the acquisition of three (3) school buses at a maximum cost of \$380,000 and to authorize and issue serial bonds in the principal amount of \$342,000 and to levy real estate taxes for the cost of such purpose?

Proposition No. 2

If Proposition No. 1 is adopted, shall the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District, located in the counties of Tioga, Tompkins, Cortland and Broome, State of New York, be authorized to expend \$38,000 from moneys in a voter approved capital reserve fund established by the School District on May 12, 1993, as amended on May 21, 2002, for the purchase of School District vehicles, including school buses and any other preliminary and incidental costs related thereto in and for the School District?

Statement of Money Required for Next School Year

A copy of the statement of the amount of money which would be required for the next school year for school purposes shall be completed 7 days before the budget hearing and may be obtained by any resident of the School District at each school-house during the period of 14 days immediately before the annual meeting and election, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

Vote for Board Members

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. not later than April 16, 2021. The following vacancies are to be filled:

NOTICE OF BUDGET
HEARING AND ANNUAL
VOTE (CONT)

- A three-year term ending June 30, 2021, currently held by Lisa Jensen
- A three-year term ending June 30, 2021, currently held by James Phillips
- A three-year term ending June 30, 2021, currently held by Stuart Wandell

Each petition must be addressed to the Clerk of the District, be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, the name and address of the candidate, and shall describe the specific vacancy on the Board of Education for which the candidate is nominated, which description shall include at least the length of term of office, and the name of the last incumbent. No person shall be nominated for more than one specific office.

Absentee Ballots

Applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the vote if the ballot is to be mailed to the absentee voter, or the day before the vote if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the absentee voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk of the District not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote.

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the District Clerk during regular office hours which are between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of qualifications of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the Clerk, or designee, to the inspectors of election on election day.

Military Ballots

Military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 607-642-3221 or tengelhard@nvcs.stier.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 4:00 pm on April 22, 2021. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.

By order of the Board of Education of the
Newark Valley Central School District
Tina A. Engelhard, District Clerk

3-21-14

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the bid for Meat and Cheese for May 1 through August 13, 2021 from Renzi, Ginsberg, Lupo's, Headwater, and Slate Foods.

ACCEPT BID AWARD-
MEAT & CHEESE

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by S. Wandell for approval of resolution 3-21-C6, 3-21-C7, 3-21-C8 and 3-21-C9

3-21-C7

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Katia D'Arcy and Mikki Roberts, Event Managers, for the 2020-2021 school year, pending funding and student participation.

APPR APPT-2020-2021
SPORTING EVENT
PERSONNEL

3-21-C8

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the following appointments for the 2020-2021 school year, pending funding and student participation:

APPT APPT-2020-2021
COACHES

Cody Cornell Modified Girls Soccer Coach (0.5 FTE)
Charles Schneider Modified Girls Soccer Coach (0.5 FTE)

APPR APPT-SUB
TEACHER

3-21-C9

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the reappointment of Susan Fedorwich, Substitute Teacher (certified), for the 2020-2021 school year.

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by L. Jensen, for approval of resolutions 3-21-NC4

APPR PROB APPT-BUS
DRIVER

3-21-NC4

RESOLVED, The Superintendent having reviewed the report of the School Physician regarding the Fitness of Kelly Kephart to operate a school bus and further having reviewed three statements from three different persons not related by either blood or marriage to the applicant pertaining to the applicant's moral character and reliability, and the Superintendent having certified to the Board of Education that the bus driver is of good moral character and reliable, that this Board of Education does and hereby appoint Kelly Kephart to the Civil Service Classification, Non competitive – bus driver for a probationary term commencing March 22, 2021 and ending March 21, 2022. (Regular Bus Driver) (Vice: L. Tarbox death; D. Kline transfer)

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Board Matters:

NEXT BOE MTG-4/12/21

BOE MTG

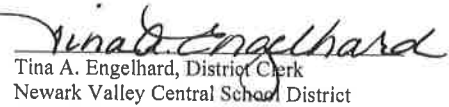
- BT-BOCES Annual Business Meeting, Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 5:00 p.m. via ZOOM
- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, April 12, 2021, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School
- Board of Education Meeting, *THURSDAY*, April 22, 2021, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School

Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by S. Wandell, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 6:53 p.m. for the purpose of discussing CSE recommendations.

Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent Motion carried.

Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by L. Jensen, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 6:55 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

March 22, 2021


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