

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
March 27, 2023**

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: Randal Kerr, James Phillips, Anthony Tavelli, Lisa Jensen and Stuart Wandell. Board Members Susan Watson and Sarah Hines were absent. The following school personnel were in attendance: Todd Schaffer, Ji Katchuk, Greg Asfoury, Edward Mertson, Robert Rodgers, Jami Fabrizio, Theresa Asfoury, Anthony Miller and Tina Engelhard. There were six (6) guests.

**ATTENDANCE**

Presentations: Ji Katchuk provided a detailed review of the Administrative, Capital and Program components of the first draft of the proposed 2023-2024 Budget. Discussions followed.

Privilege of the Floor: Doug Cornwell, Newark Valley resident, announced the Class of 1973 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion will have activities Homecoming weekend. Additionally, they have a Facebook page.

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by A. Tavelli, for approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 13, 2023 and the Special Business Meeting of March 17, 2023.

**MINUTES**

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 2 Absent Motion carried.

**Interim Superintendent's Report:** **Joint Dinner:** The Dinner was held at Windsor CSD on March 22, 2023 and was attended by administrators and board members from across the area. The speaker was Dr. Harvey Stenger, Binghamton University President, who spoke on Energizing Community Partnerships: Binghamton University and the Southern Tier. Discussions followed on the District looking at programs for high school students in achieving the opportunities and potential jobs that may be coming to the area. These jobs would be available to individuals who are entering the workforce straight out of high school. It was noted that the projection is 5,000 jobs. **Virtual Meeting with NYSED-Stimulus Funds Targeted Review:** Todd Schaffer, Ji Katchuk and Val Murtha attended a half day Zoom meeting with NYSED to review how the District spent the Federal stimulus funds. This meeting was detailed oriented and should be wrapped up in 30 to 60 days. Discussions followed. **Snap Shots of Success:** Mr. Asfoury stated the Middle School placed well in the App Challenge competition. There were 30 regional teams with the Middle School 6<sup>th</sup> Grade had 2 teams and 1 7<sup>th</sup> Grade team. The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade team advanced to the Congressional level. Discussions followed.

**Instruction:** Mr. Rodgers noted the Board members toured the facility and spoke with teachers and students. Mr. Rodgers noted that students were the tour guides. Discussions followed (i.e., Chromebooks, iPads, technology vs books, the future of libraries, etc.).

**Financial Reports:**

Motion by L. Jensen, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 3-23-G4, 3-23-G5 and 3-23-G6

**3-23-G4**

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

General Fund	\$2,261,566.12
Special Reserves	\$1,446,280.00
Special Reserve CD	\$6,450,072.78
School Lunch Fund	\$ 356,975.21
Special Aid Fund	\$ 32,536.09
Capital Fund	\$ 360,679.17
Debt Service Fund	\$ 947,850.31

**ACCEPT TREASURER'S  
REPORTS-FEBRUARY  
2022**

**3-23-G5**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim 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 2023.

**APPR BUDGET STATUS  
REPORTS- FEBRUARY  
2022**

**APPR EXTRA CLASS-  
ROOM ACTIVITY  
REPORTS- FEBRARY  
2022**

**3-23-G6**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Extra Classroom Activity Fund Reports for the months of February 2023.

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 2 Absent Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Motion by S. Wandell, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 3-23-G7, 3-23-G8 and 3-23-G9

**APPR 2022-2023 K-12  
NON-RESIDENT  
STUDENT TUITION  
RATE**

**3-23-G7**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Transportation Request for the 2023-2024 school year:

Ross Corners Christian Academy 1 student

**NOTICE OF BUDGET  
HEARING AND ANNUAL  
VOTE**

**3-23-G8**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the 2022-2023 K-12 non-resident student tuition rate of \$5,506.

**3-23-G9**

**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 8, 2023 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 16th day of May 2023. 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 for the School District for its 2023-2024 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 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 \$473,250.00 and to authorize and issue serial bonds in the principal amount of \$425,925.00 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 \$47,325.00 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?

**NOTICE OF BUDGET  
HEARING AND ANNUAL  
VOTE (CONTINUED)**

**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 17, 2023. The following vacancies are to be filled:

A three-year term ending June 30, 2023, currently held by Randal H. Kerr  
A three-year term ending June 30, 2023, currently held by Susan Watson

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](mailto: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 5:00 pm on April 17, 2023. 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

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 2 Absent Motion carried.

**Personnel:**

Motion by J. Phillips, and seconded by ~~S. Watson~~ **S. Wandell**, for approval of resolutions 3-23-NC5, 3-23-NC6, 3-23-NC7, 3-23-NC8 and 3-23-NC9

**3-23-NC5**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Richard Boldis, Teacher Aide (Cafeteria), effective March 17, 2023. **ACCEPT RESIGN-  
TEACHER AIDE (CAFÉ)**

ACCEPT RESIGN- CUSTODIAL WORKER	<p><u>3-23-NC6</u> RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Jessica Morrow, Custodial Worker, effective March 20, 2023.</p>
ACCEPT RESIGN-BUS DRIVER	<p><u>3-23-NC7</u> RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Carl Perkins, Bus Driver, effective April 22, 2023.</p>
APPR APPT-SUB BUS DRIVER	<p><u>3-23-NC8</u> RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Carl Perkins, Substitute Bus Driver, effective April 23, 2023.</p>
APPR PROB APPT-BUS MONITOR	<p><u>3-23-NC9</u> RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Tammy Keener, Bus Monitor, effective March 31, 2023 through March 30, 2024. (vice: J. Thompson resign)</p> <p>Vote:    5 Yes                      0 No                      2 Absent                      Motion carried.</p> <p>Privilege of the Floor: Doug Cornwell, Newark Valley resident, spoke about library services, textbooks and online e-books.</p>
NEXT BOE MTG-4/6/23  BOE MTG	<p><u>Board Matters:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board of Education Meeting, <b>THURSDAY</b>, April 6, 2023, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School</li> <li>• Board of Education Meeting, <b>TUESDAY</b>, April 18, 2023, 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room, High School</li> </ul> <p>Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by S. Wandell, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing CSE recommendations and particular personnel.</p> <p>Vote:    5 Yes                      0 No                      2 Absent                      Motion carried.</p> <p>Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by S. Wandell, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 6:59 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Vote:    5 Yes                      0 No                      2 Absent                      Motion carried.</p>

March 27, 2023

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