

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
October 15, 2019

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met in regular session at 6:30 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, Lisa Jensen and Stuart Wandell. The following school personnel were in attendance: Ryan Dougherty, Ji Katchuk, Todd Schaffer, Gregory Asfoury, and Tina Engelhard. There were two (2) guests.

ATTENDANCE

Presentation: External Audit Report- Jerry Mickelson, Insero & Co. CPAs, LLP provided an overview of the External Audit Report. Discussions followed.

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Motion by S. Watson, and seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session minutes of September 23, 2019.

MINUTES

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Dougherty shared information on the following: **Fall Leadership Conference:** An overview was provided of the Conference with discussions around the keynote speaker's message, legal briefings/new NYS laws, up-to-date policy changes and immunizations. **BEDS:** The process has begun on the annual reporting to NYSED. Discussions followed (i.e., increase in enrollment). **Policy Update:** The District is considering entering into an agreement with Ferrara Fiorenza PC with the intent to have all policies reviewed and many updated. Discussions followed. **Tioga County REAP:** Mr. Dougherty recently attended a planning meeting regarding rural economic development. Discussions followed on goals, membership and funding. **Tax Collection:** As this is the first year with no in-house collection, the Board has requested TST BOCES provide a presentation after tax season has ended. Discussions followed. **Snap Shots of Success:** Superintendent Dougherty thanked everyone who worked on all Homecoming events (i.e., Spirit Week at the MS and HS, breakfast, parade, dances, etc.), with a special thank you to Kelsey O'Donnell and Val Fischer. Cross Country, Volleyball and Field Hockey programs were discussed. Superintendent Dougherty thanked Ji Katchuk on the Bond refinance work. Discussions followed on the District's A2 Rating with Moody's.

Instruction: High School-Gregory Asfoury, High School Principal. Mr. Asfoury spoke on his transition with a High Principal; Grade 8 Orientation (relaxed format with 93% parent/family attendance), Open House (well attended and 300 people enjoyed a pasta dinner from Fortunato's); Homecoming Week activities were discussed as well as Advanced Placement/Dual Enrollment (177 students participate). Discussions followed.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

New Business:

Motion by S. Watson, seconded by A. Tavelli, for approval of resolutions 10-19-G1, 10-19-G2, 10-19-G3, 10-19-G4, 10-19-G5 and 10-19-G6

10-19-G1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Art Club Field Trip to New York City, NY, May 8, 2020 through May 9, 2020.

APPR ART CLUB FIELD TRIP-NYC, NY

10-19-G2

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Music Department Field Trip to Boston, MA, May 1, 2020 through May 3, 2020.

APPR MUSIC DEPT FIELD TRIP-BOSTON, MA

10-19-G3

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby establishes a Scholarship Fund in the memory of Angela L. (Burnett) Johnson, who was a student and member of Newark Valley Class of 2001. The name of the scholarship would be The Angela L. (Burnett) Johnson Memorial Fund. It is to be awarded annually to a graduating senior of Newark Valley Central School district who will attend an accredited university pursuing a four-year degree in the field of nursing. The student must have a cumulative weighted average of at least 85% (or a minimum GPA of 3.0 if already enrolled in a post-secondary educational program) and accepted into a four year nursing related

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university program. The student must also have participated in extra-curricular or volunteering activities related to the healthcare field. The scholarship is to be held in trust by the Newark Valley Central School District in an interest-bearing account insured by the F.O.I.C. The scholarship award will be \$1,000 so long as a balance remains in the account. The selection of the recipient will be made by Mrs. Kirsten Michaud with assistance from the Newark Valley Guidance office.

DECLARE EXCESS  
PROPERTY

10-19-G4

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby declares as excess property the surplus or obsolete items as listed and made a part of these minutes.

ACKNOWLEDGE  
RECEIPT-2018-2019  
FINANCIAL AUDIT  
REPORT

10-19-G5

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges the receipt of the 2018-2019 Financial Audit Report as prepared by the independent auditors, Insero & Co. CPAs, LLP.

APPR RETAINER  
AGREEMENT-LEGAL  
SERVICES

10-19-G6

RESOLVED, on motion of S. Watson, seconded by A. Tavelli, That the Board of Education hereby approves the Retainer Agreement for Legal Services between Ferrara Fiorenza and Newark Valley Central School District.

Vote: 7 Yes            0 No            Motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by L. Jensen, for approval of resolutions 10-19-C1, 10-19-C2, 10-19-C3, 10-19-C4, 10-19-C5, 10-19-C6 and 10-19-C7

APPR APPT-2019-2020  
MENTOR

10-19-C1

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Laurie Hess, Mentor, for the 2019-2020 school year.

APPR APPT-2019-2020  
COACHES

10-19-C2

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of the following Coaches for the 2019-2020 school year, pending funding and student participation:

Craig Hirko	Boys 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach	Tim Pisarczyk	Boys 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach
Charles Craparo	JV Boys Basketball Coach	Scott Stratton	Varsity Boys Basketball Coach
Dennis Wright	Cheerleading Winter Asst. Coach	Kathryn Brindisi	Cheerleading Winter Head Coach
Craig Hirko	Girls 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach	Jason Monte	JV Girls Basketball Coach
Gregory Schweiger	Varsity Girls Basketball Coach	Edward Pratt	Bowling Coach
Kelsey O'Donnell	Volleyball 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Coach	Brandilyn Duke	Volleyball 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Coach
Joseph Lakin	Modified Wrestling Coach	Eric D'Arcy	JV Wrestling Coach
Bill Kitchin (0.5FTE)	Varsity Wrestling Coach	Mike Daly (0.5FTE)	Varsity Wrestling Coach

APPR REAPPT-2019-2020  
SUB TEACHERS

10-19-C3

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the reappointment of the following Substitute Teachers for the 2019-2020 school year:

Karen Meschter (uncertified)            Frances Miller (certified)

APPR APPT-SUB  
TEACHERS

10-19-C4

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of the following Substitute Teachers, effective October 16, 2019:

G. Renee Gaylord (uncertified)            Katherine Guiles (uncertified)

APPR APPT-SUB  
TEACHING ASST.

10-19-C5

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of G. Renee Gaylord, Substitute Teaching Assistant, effective October 16, 2019.

APPR APPT-LIGHT  
EQUIPMENT TECH/  
OPERATOR

10-19-C6

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Walter Knudsen, Light Equipment Technician/Operator, for the 2019-2020 school year, pending funding and student participation.

**10-19-C7**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the 27 day paid leave and up to 130 day unpaid leave of Morgan Crandell, School Psychologist, effective November 25, 2019.

APPR 27 DAY PAID & UP TO 130 DAY UNPAID LEAVE

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

**Personnel:**

Motion by S. Watson, seconded by J. Phillips, for approval of resolutions 10-19-NC1, 10-19-NC2, 10-19-NC3 and 10-19-NC4

**10-19-NC1**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Yvonne Boulanger, Custodial Worker, effective October 18, 2019.

ACCEPT RESIGN-CUSTODIAL WORKER

**10-19-NC2**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Yvonne Boulanger, Bus Monitor, effective October 21, 2019 through October 20, 2020.

APPR PROB APPT-BUS MONITOR

**10-19-NC3**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the 2 day paid leave and up to 31 day unpaid leave of Amy Zavaski, Cashier, effective September 28, 2019 through November 11, 2019.

APPR 2 DAY PAID & UP TO 31 DAY UNPAID LEAVE

**10-19-NC4**

RESOLVED, Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, That the Board of Education hereby approves the probationary appointment of Kelly Kephart, Mechanic's Helper, effective October 16, 2019 through October 15, 2020.

APPR PROB APPT-MECHANIC'S HELPER

Privilege of the Floor: None.

Board Matters:

- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, October 28, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room, HS
- Board of Education Meeting, *Tuesday*, November 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room, HS
- Board of Education Meeting, Monday, November 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room, HS

NEXT BOE MTG-10/28/19

BOE MTG

Motion by S. Watson, seconded by A. Tavelli, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. for the purpose of discussing legal matters.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

Motion by J. Phillips, seconded by A. Tavelli, for the Board to return to Regular Session at 8:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Vote: 7 Yes 0 No Motion carried.

October 15, 2019



Tina A. Engelhard, District Clerk