

BOARD OF EDUCATION –REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WEBB UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
THURSDAY MARCH 14, 2024 - 6:30 PM – LIBRARY

MEMBERS PRESENT: Diane Heroux, Marissa Van Valkenburg, Margaret Morelli, Holly Armendola, Jen Lis
ALSO PRESENT: Mary Kate Russell, John Swick, Jessica Pashley
PUBLIC PRESENT: Margaret DiOrio, Jeanie West, Laura Delaney, Jennifer Spears, Hannah Schoen, Page Hannah, Sheila White, Tracey Down, Jackie Kuhn, Madeline Fenton, Loretta Gaffney, Karen Beck, Meaghan Foley, Jarid Guidry, Sharon Finkle-Kleps, Kathy Connell, Erica Murray, Katie Langworthy, Robin Hill, Steve Evans, Ron DeBree, David Beck

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President, Diane Heroux

SPECIAL TOPICS/PUBLIC FORUM:

- None to report

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by M. Van Valkenburg, seconded by H. Armendola, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2024 regular meeting.
MINUTES

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by J. Lis, seconded by M. Morelli, the Board voted to approve warrant and claims:
WARRANTS

- #27 Fund A with 59 checks written for a total of \$291,868.51
- #15 Fund C with 5 checks written for a total of \$9,544.83
- #4 Fund H1 with 2 checks written for a total of \$6,365.51
- #21 Fund TA with 3 checks written for a total of \$42,460.90
- #20 Fund TA with 1 check written for a total of \$1,541.01

Vote: Yes- 5 No- 0

APPROVAL: CSE On the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, on a motion by M. Van Valkenburg, seconded by H. Armendola, the Board voted to approve the recommendations and the authorization of reports and funds as needed to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations.
RECOMMENDATIONS

Vote: Yes- 5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by M. Morelli, seconded by J. Lis, the Board voted to approve that a Public Budget Hearing be established for May 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town of Webb UFSD gymnasium, and that the Town of Webb Union Free School District Board of Registration shall meet in the schoolhouse of said district located at 3002 NYS Rt. 28, Old Forge, New York on May 8, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of preparing the final voter registration register of the school district for the Annual Budget Vote, and that the Budget Vote be established for May 21, 2024 from 2:00-8:00 p.m. in the Town of Webb UFSD gymnasium.
MEETING DATES

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by J. Lis, seconded by M. Morelli, the Board voted to approve the addition of the following proposition on the May 21, 2024 Budget Vote/Election ballot:
PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase a Case 221 Compact Wheel Loader at a total maximum cost not to exceed \$80,000.00, and to pay for the purchase from the Maintenance Equipment Reserve Fund established by a Proposition approved by the voters in 2017?

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by M. Van Valkenburg, seconded by J. Lis, the Board voted to approve the cancellation of the March 28, 2024 Board of Education Meeting.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, on a motion by M. Van Valkenburg, seconded by H. Armendola, the Board voted to approve the following Spring 2024 athletic appointments:

ATHLETIC APPOINTMENTS

Michael Conti	Girls Modified Softball Co-Coach	Year 1	\$1252.50
Madeline Marsack	Girls Modified Softball Co-Coach	Year 1	\$1252.50
Kerissa Dunn	Volunteer to Softball Program		
Jennifer Rundell	Volunteer to Softball Program		
John Morelli	Volunteer to Golf Program		
Alana Haehl	Volunteer to Golf Program		
Melissa Wilde	Volunteer to Track & Field Program		
Stephen Viscelli	Volunteer to Track & Field Program		

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE OFFICER On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by M. Morelli, seconded by M. Van Valkenburg, the Board voted to appoint Mark Pettitt as the District's designated Civil Rights Compliance Officer.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: PROVISIONAL CUSTODIAN On the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, on a motion by M. Morelli, seconded by M. Van Valkenburg, the Board voted to approve the provisional appointment of Kyle Yuckel as a Custodian, at the rate of \$18/hour, effective February 1, 2024.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

ACCEPTANCE: RESIGNATION On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by J. Lis, seconded by H. Armendola, the Board voted to accept the resignation of Jennifer Dunn as the Extra Classroom Treasurer effective January 1, 2024.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: EXTRA DUTY ADVISOR On the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, on a motion by M. Van Valkenburg, seconded by H. Armendola, the Board voted to approve Jessica Pashley as the Extra Classroom Treasurer effective January 1, 2024 for the prorated amount of \$1,211.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: CO-SER AGREEMENT On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by M. Morelli, seconded by J. Lis, the Board voted to approve the Cooperative Educational Services Agreement (CoSer) entered into by Madison-Oneida BOCES and the Town of Webb UFSD effective July 1, 2024.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by M. Van Valkenburg,
DECLARE SURPLUS seconded by M. Morelli, the Board voted to declare the following items as surplus for the purpose of donation:

- (4) Street Hockey Goalie kits
- (20) Hockey Helmets

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, on a motion by M. Morelli,
RETIREMENT seconded by H. Armendola, the Board voted to accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement from Judy Ehrensbeck, Reading Specialist, effective June 30, 2024, with appreciation for her years of service and dedication to the district.

Vote: Yes-5 No- 0

APPROVAL: On the recommendation of the Board President, on a motion by J. Lis, seconded by
RESOLUTION M. Van Valkenburg, the Board voted to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reviewed in executive session a proposed separation agreement in relation to the resignation of Superintendent of Schools, Rex Germer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Board of Education hereby approves the proposed separation agreement, and authorizes the Board President, or her designee, to take all necessary actions on behalf of the Board of Education to effectuate the same.
2. Upon full execution of the separation agreement, the Board of Education further accepts the resignation of Rex Germer, effective the close of business on March 1, 2024.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Diane Heroux - Yes
Holly Armendola - Abstain
Marissa Van Valkenburg - Yes
Margaret Morelli - Yes
Jennifer Lis - Yes

D. Heroux read the following report on behalf of Jennifer Dunn, Acting Superintendent:

- We have made it to March and the realization that there are only four months left is starting to set in. Discussions have begun about graduation, end of the year activities and assessments. We are still waiting for the governor's final budget to see what kind of shape our budget will be in and what new initiatives we will be held to. The District is well underway with their Workplace Violence Prevention Program and within the committee of ten have begun to identify risks and already begun implementing procedures to reduce them.
- The district had an inventory evaluation done, which required someone to physically inspect the rooms, buildings and offices to determine the value of our assets. This is typically done every 5 (five) years and aids in depreciation costs, insurable values as well as over all asset controls. New tags were placed on items around the building to allow for easier scanning in the future.
- Congratulations to Kyle Brown on his recognition with SAANYS for the Leadership and Support Award Winner of the Year. This award recognizes leadership of members whose responsibilities span across the building and district level supporting efforts and encouraging collaboration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- OM&T - H. Armendola reported that the following was discussed: case 221 compact wheel loader, serving line construction, heating project, meeting with construction team for walkers door entrance remodel, cleaner switching to custodian and also filling in with bus driving duties, school is working with martial arts program for sharing practice spaces, nets at North St. have worked very well to accommodate more practices, softball field updates, gym floor updates. The following public comments were made following the OM&T report: location of

softball bleachers, martial arts program, utilizing McCauley Mountain, number of administrators and staff within the District.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- D. Heroux reported that there will be 1 open BOE seat and petitions are now available in the District Office. Notified the public that this will be the last meeting until after Spring break
- M. Van Valkenburg, J. Lis and M. Morelli thanked the public for attending and wished everyone a happy Spring break
- H. Armendola commended J. Dunn for doing a great job

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by M. Morelli, seconded by J. Lis, to enter into executive session at 6:59 pm to discuss the health and safety of students, and a potential future contract. John Swick was invited into executive session.

Vote: Yes – 5 No – 0

John Swick exited executive session at 7:40pm

REGULAR SESSION:

Motion made by M. Morelli, seconded by J. Lis, to return to regular session at 8:10pm.

Vote: Yes – 5 No – 0

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by M. Morelli, seconded by H. Armendola,, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm.

Vote: Yes – 5 No – 0

District Clerk

Minutes are in draft form until approved by the Board of Education.