

Special Meeting Minutes

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Scotia-Glenville Central School was held in the Cafeteria of the Middle School, in said district on April 24, 2024.

President Talbot called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Present: Boucher-Furnish, Carbone, Massaro, Orr, Singh, H. Talbot, K. Talbot

Absent: None

MOVED by Carbone, SECONDED by Singh, that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session in order to hear a grievance and also a personnel matter.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned Executive Session at 6:54 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 7:01 p.m. Superintendent Swartz was present for the whole session. Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Arket, Business Manager Giaquinto, District Attorney Honeywell, SGTA President Hoffmann, SGTA Representative DarkAngelo-Wood were present for the first part of the executive session.

Deputy District Clerk Busman was present for the Open Session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

HEARING/PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Rhondalynn Neal, 136 Freemans Bridge Road, spoke to the Board regarding boys' lacrosse and the differences between the Athletic Code of Conduct and the High School Code of Conduct.

PRESENTATION: SMARTSCHOOLS (RICK ARKET, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION)

Assistant Superintendent Arket gave a presentation to the Board on SmartSchools. (The powerpoint for this presentation is contained as Appendix A to these minutes).

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS (SUSAN M. SWARTZ, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS)

Superintendent Swartz highlighted all the resources our students can access from the GIVE Back Room, located at the Senior High School. There have been well over 30 prom dresses taken for our upcoming dance.

Linda Lewis has asked the district to participate in donating rolls of toilet paper for the Backpack Program.

The Senate passed legislation that would force TikTok's China-based parent company to sell the social media platform under the threat of a ban. It will be interesting to see the impact that will have on our students if the ban happens.

MOVED by Carbone, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education approve the following:

BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATION SERVICES (BOCES) 2024-2025 ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET AND BOARD VACANCIES (ALBANY-SCHOHARIE-SCHENECTADY-SARATOGA COUNTIES)

- a. Approve the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga Counties be authorized to expend the sums set forth in the Administrative Budget document in the total amount of \$14,618,385 during the school year 2024-2025 and to raise such sum by assessments to component school districts, non-component school districts, other BOCES and other sources as required by law, as submitted.

- b. Election of BOCES Board members (board is entitled to one vote per vacant seat). BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Scotia-Glenville hereby casts its vote for the following candidate(s) to fill two (2) vacant seats for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027, on the Board of cooperative Educational Services of Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga Counties, as submitted:
1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education cast its vote for the election of Lynne Lenhardt (Home District: Bethlehem Central School District), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga Counties.
 2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education cast its vote for the election of Kimberly Tully (Home District: Niskayuna Central School District), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga Counties.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ACCEPT THIRD FISCAL PROJECTION FOR 2023-2024

MOVED by K. Talbot, SECONDED by Massaro, that the Board of Education accept the Third Fiscal Projection for the 2023-2024 with the supporting Revenue and Budget Status Reports and Summary Variance Analysis and Fund Balance Projection Report, as submitted. (This projection is contained as Appendix B to these minutes.)

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE QUESTAR III 2024-2025 INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR INTERNAL AUDITING SERVICES

MOVED by Singh, SECONDED by Boucher Furnish, that the Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 Inter-municipal agreement with Questar III for Internal Auding Services, as submitted. (This agreement is contained as Appendix C to these minutes).

ROLL CALL
AYES: 7
NOES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

APPOINT POLL CLERKS AND INSPECTORS FOR THE ANNUAL DISTRICT ELECTION

MOVED by Orr, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education appoint the individuals on the list of Poll Clerks and Inspectors for the Annual District Election on May 21, 2024, as submitted. (This list is contained as Appendix D to these minutes).

ROLL CALL
AYES: 7
NOES: 0
MOTION CARRIED

MOVED by Carbone, SECONDED by Singh, that the Board of Education accept/approve the following three items:

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GIFT AND DONATION FROM SCOTIA-GLENVILLE FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Approve the Resolution, dated April 11, 2024, regarding accepting and appropriating the Gift and Donation from Scotia-Glenville Friends of Music of a Deep Bass Xylophone, valued at \$2,352.00, to the Fine Arts Department, as submitted. (This resolution is contained as Appendix E to these minutes).

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GIFT AND DONATION FROM LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA

Approve the Resolution, dated April 24, 2024, regarding accepting and appropriating the Gift and Donation from Lincoln Elementary School PTA to be used for Arts in Education programs, increasing the BOCES Arts in Education Account (A211049401) in the amount of \$1,725.00, as submitted. (This resolution is contained as Appendix F to these minutes).

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GIFT AND DONATIONS FOR VARIOUS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS

Approve the Resolution dated April 15, 2024, regarding accepting and appropriating the Gift and Donations to be applied to various High School Award Scholarships, as submitted. (This resolution and the list of donations are contained as Appendix G to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION: AWARD PARKING LOT RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR GLEN-WORDEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MOVED by Boucher Furnish, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education award the bid for the Glen-Worden Elementary Parking Lot Project to New Castle Paving, LLC, in accordance with bid specifications and their low bid, as submitted. (This resolution is contained as Appendix H to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED by Carbone, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education accept/approve the following items:

COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Accept the resignation of Hank Brown, Bus Driver/Mechanic (Transportation Department), effective c.o.b. April 19, 2024, with appreciation for his service to the district, as submitted. (This request is contained as Appendix I to these minutes).
- b. Accept the request for a paid leave of absence for Katharine May, 2nd Grade Teacher (Sacandaga Elementary), effective April 22, 2024 through June 30, 2024.
- c. Accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Julie Mancini, Teaching Assistant (Lincoln Elementary), effective c.o.b. May 3, 2024, with appreciation for her service to the district, as submitted. (This request is contained as Appendix J to these minutes)
- d. Accept the resignation of Sarah Hunt, Special Education Teacher (Middle School), effective c.o.b. June 30, 2024, to accept a new position in the district.
- e. Accept the letter of resignation for retirement purposes of Robin Brino, Registrar (District-wide), effective c.o.b. June 30, 2024, with appreciation for her service to the district, as submitted. (This request is contained as Appendix K to these minutes).
- f. Accept the letter of resignation of Jeannine Franze Bechand, Science Teacher (Middle School), effective c.o.b. June 30, 2024, with appreciation for her service to the district, as submitted. (This request is contained as Appendix L to these minutes).

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT**a. Staffing**

1. Approve the appointment of Susan Hoefer as Substitute Elementary Teacher (Glen-Worden Elementary), effective March 21, 2024 through May 31, 2024, with the prorated 2023-2024 salary to be at the rate of \$59,135 (Step 10), per days worked.
2. Approve five days for Lauren Carr, Substitute Language Pathologist (Glen-Worden Elementary), prior to her appointment date of May 6, 2024, at the rate of \$108/day.
3. Approve the extended appointment of Andrew Biittig as Substitute English Teacher (Senior High School) **from** April 8, 2024 through April 30, 2024 **to** April 8, 2024 through June 25, 2024, with no change in salary.
4. Approve the appointment of Jude McQueen as Substitute Elementary Teacher (Sacandaga Elementary), effective May 2, 2024 through June 25, 2024, plus four shadow days prior to the May 2 start date, with the prorated 2023-2024 salary to be at the rate of \$61,368 (Step 12), per days worked.
5. Approve the probationary appointment of Sarah Hunt as 6th Grade General Education Teacher (Middle School), effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2027, with no change in salary.
6. Approve the change in appointment location for Debra Byrne, Library Media Specialist **from** Glendaal Elementary **to** Middle School, effective September 1, 2024, with no change in salary.
7. Approve the 2024-2025 salary list rates and stipends for the following employees, as submitted:

Management Confidential Employees

(This list is contained as Appendix M to these minutes).
8. Approve the appointment of Amber Szady as Senior High School Extraclassroom Activity Fund Treasurer for the 2023-2024 school year, effective April 9, 2024, with an additional five summer days for this position.
9. Approve the 2024 Learning Leaps Summer School Staff list, as submitted. (This list is contained as Appendix N to these minutes).
10. Approve the attached list of individuals as substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted. (This list is contained as Appendix O to these minutes).

ROUTINE BUSINESS**a. Placement of Children with Disabilities**

Accept the Placement of Children with Disabilities as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-school Special Education in their reports dated April 24, 2024.

b. Treasurer's Report – March 2024**c. Budget Transfers – March 2024****d. Minutes: Regular Meeting – March 25, 2024**

ROLL CALL
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0
 MOTION CARRIED

e. Internal Claims Auditor's Report/Warrants/Warrant Report Exceptions:

Payroll Warrants

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| A-50 | 03/15/2024 | \$1,227,836.54 |
| A-52 | 03/29/2024 | \$1,340,197.05 |
| A-54 | 04/12/2024 | \$1,216,077.96 |

Check Warrants

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| A-46 | 03/01/2024 | \$1,281,375.38 |
| A-49 | 03/15/2024 | \$ 750,256.37 |
| A-51 | 03/29/2024 | \$1,246,372.50 |
| H-11 | 03/29/2024 | \$ 164,492.11 |

President Talbot noted receipt of the Internal Claims Auditor's Report/Warrants/Warrant Report Exceptions. (These reports are contained as Appendix P to these minutes).

OTHER BUSINESS**a. HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 2024 AND APRIL 2024**

MOVED by Boucher Furnish, SECONDED by Orr, that the Board of Education approve the Health and Safety Committee meeting minutes from March 2024 and April 2024.

ROLL CALL
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0
 MOTION CARRIED

HEARING/PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

None

MOVED by K. Talbot, SECONDED by Singh, that the meeting be adjourned.

ROLL CALL
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0
 MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Jill Busman, Deputy District Clerk