



Minutes of the Board of Education

April 20, 2021

Members Present: Chris Foster
Samantha Hicks
Doug Kelley
Meghan McGarry
Ann Morone
Peter Schaefer
Jessica Zweig
Danielle LaPier, Student Member Ex-Officio Member

Members Absent: Samantha Hicks (excused)

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools: Dr. James R. Franchini
Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning: Matt Hladun
Assistant Superintendent for Business: Michael Ouimet
Director of Personnel Development: Kimberly Nugent

A meeting of the Board of Education was held virtually via ZOOM on April 20, 2021. The meeting began at 6:00 p.m

On the motion by Ms.Morone seconded by Ms. McGarry, to begin Executive Session at 6:01p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

I. Executive Session

Recommend an executive session to discuss:

 proposed, pending or current litigation;

 X collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;

 the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation;

 matters leading to the appointment, employment discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;

 the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property;

 other [specify] _____

On the motion by Ms.McGarry seconded by Mr. Foster, to leave Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

II. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Jessica Zweig, President

III. Superintendent's Report

(Start: 6:34p.m.)

- News and Updates
- Celebrations of Success

IV. Public Comment - Community members seeking to provide questions or comments to the Board of Education should email them to the District Clerk at [District Clerk](#). Comments and questions that are received before the conclusion of the Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, April 20th will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

V. Consent agenda - move to approve the consent agenda as listed A-D
 Although Board action is required, it is generally unnecessary to hold discussion on these items. With the consent of all members, they are therefore grouped and approval is given in one motion. In the event a Board member wants to discuss any item, it is moved to an appropriate place on the agenda.

A. Approve to accept Board of Education minutes of April 12, 2021.

B. Financial Recommendations

FINANCIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the Budget Status report for April 2021
2. Approve the Revenue Status report for April 2021
3. Approve budget transfers as presented for ordinary contingent expenditures necessary to maintain the educational program or necessary to preserve property or ensure the health and safety of students or staff
4. Approve to accept the Property Tax Report Card, as per the attached
5. Approve the 2020-21 Health and Welfare contract with Rensselaer City School District in the amount of \$7,260.00 for students attending non-public schools
6. Approve the appointment of the Inspectors of Election to conduct the budget, bus purchase propositions and school board member vote on May 18, 2021, as per the list provided.
7. Approve the appointment of Yvonne Phillips as Chief Inspector of Election to conduct the budget, bus purchase propositions, and school board member vote on May 18, 2021.

C. Routine Personnel Action

The Board will take action on routine resignations, appointments, leaves and terminations.

Instructional Appointment: Temporary

Name	Assignment/FTE	Effective Dates	Salary
Dobert, Deborah	Teacher Assistant-Afterschool (2 Sessions per week 2:30pm-5:00pm)	04/20/2021-06/16/2021	APTA Collective Bargaining Agreement Professional Hourly Rate

Non-Instructional: Resignation

Name	Position	Effective Dates
Sliwinski, Jodi	Teacher Aide	04/01/2021

Non-Instructional: Resignation for Retirement Purposes

Name	Position	Years of District Service	Effective Dates
Sutton, Ruth	Bus Driver, Food Service Helper	9.5	06/26/2021

Appointment: Approved Non-Instructional Substitutes

Name	Assignment	Effective Date
Ernst, Ronald	Custodial Worker, Groundskeeper	04/15/2021

D. Special Education Recommendations SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS
Move that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the actions of the CSE, CPSE and 504 committees and Agreed upon Amendments.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

On a motion by Ms. Morone, seconded by Mr. Foster, to approve consent agenda items A-D.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

VI. Approve the revised 2020-2021 School District Calendar, as attached.

On a motion by Dr. Schaefer, seconded by Ms. Morone approve to accept the revised School District Calendar for 2021-2022 school year.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

VII. Discussion:

- Proposed Revenue Budget 2021-22
- Proposed Expenditure Budget 2021-22.

VIII. **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the proposed school district budget in the amount of \$61,456,847 for the 2021-2022 school year, for presentation to the residents of the Averill Park Central School District at the Budget Hearing on May 10, 2021, and for vote of the qualified residents of said school district on May 18, 2021.

On a motion by Ms. McGarry seconded by Ms. Morone, to approve the proposed school district budget in the amount of \$61,456,847 for the 2021-2022 school year, for presentation to the residents of the Averill Park Central School District at the Budget Hearing on May 10, 2021, and for vote of the qualified residents of said school district on May 18, 2021.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

IX. Election of Members of the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services: There are three incumbent nominees for three BOCES board positions: three expiring terms.

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of **Mr. Mark Mann**, Rensselaer, NY (District of Residence: East Greenbush Central School District), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

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For

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Against

On a motion by Ms. McGarry seconded by Ms. Morone, the election of **Mr. Mark Mann**, Rensselaer, NY (District of Residence: East Greenbush Central School District), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of **Ms. Mary Marro-Giroux**, Troy, NY (District of Residence: The Enlarged City School District of Troy), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

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For

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Against

On a motion by Mr. Foster seconded by Dr. Schaefer the election of **Ms. Mary Marro-Giroux**, Troy, NY (District of Residence: The Enlarged City School District of Troy), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

YES: 6

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of **Mr. Frank Zwack**, Stephentown, NY (District of Residence: Berlin Central School District), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

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For

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Against

On a motion by Ms. McGarry seconded by Ms. Morone election of **Mr. Frank Zwack**, Stephentown, NY (District of Residence: Berlin Central School District), as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

YES: 6

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

X. Administrative Budget for 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

RESOLVED: that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene Counties is authorized to expend the sum set forth in the 2021-22 tentative Administrative budget document in the amount of \$6,710,997.

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For

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Against

APPROVED BOCES ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR 2021-2022

On a motion by Mr. Foster seconded by Ms. McGarry, resolved that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene Counties is authorized to expend the sum set forth in the 2021-22 tentative Administrative budget document in the amount of \$6,710,997.

YES: 6

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

XI. **RESOLUTION**

“IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Legal Services Retainer between the Averill Park Central School District and the Honeywell Law Firm, PLLC for the 2021-2022 school year is approved and the Board President is authorized to execute the retainer on behalf of the School District.”

On a motion by Dr. Schaefer seconded by Mr. Kelley, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Legal Services Retainer between the Averill Park Central School District and the Honeywell Law Firm, PLLC for the 2021-2022 school year is approved and the Board President is authorized to execute the retainer on behalf of the School District.

XII. Board Member Reports

XIII. Adjourn Meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED

On the motion by Ms. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Kelley, to adjourn meeting at 7:53 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Linda M. Fitzpatrick, District Clerk