

**GLENS FALLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

MINUTES

**Monday, April 13, 2015
District Office - 15 Quade Street - 7:00 p.m.**

- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Poulos – President, Mr. Conrick – Vice-President, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Kunst, Mr. McTiernan, Mrs. Spector-Tougas
- BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:** Mrs. Berger, Mr. Deason, Mrs. Maurer
- ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** Paul Jenkins – Superintendent, Christopher Hearley, Trent Clay, Barbara Sealy, Carrie Mauro, Jennifer Hayes, Debbie Hall, Christopher Reed, Mark Stratton
- STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Diane Ogden, Bob Cote, Brandon Lis, Jason Brechko, Skye Heritage
- COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kelly Culliton, Ray Preusser, Nora Borgos, Renée Borgos

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Poulos, President, at 7:00 p.m.

1. MINUTES:

It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2015 Regular Board of Education Meeting.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)

2. INFORMATION:

2.1 Calendar of Events

Tuesday, April 21	Special Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 29	Voter Registration Day (9-11 a.m. & 5-7 p.m.)
Wednesday, May 6	Public Relations Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
	Athletic Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
	Public Hearing on the 2015-2016 Budget – 7:00 p.m.

2.2 Superintendent's Report:

- Mr. Jenkins presented Mrs. Kunst with certificates for achieving Level 1 and Level 2 from the New York State School Boards Association. Level 1 is for Board Achievement and Level 2 is for Leadership in Governance. Congratulations!

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- Jason Brechko asked the Board to take into consideration class sizes at the elementary schools during the budget process.

4. REPORTS:

- Middle School PTSA – Kelly Culliton reported the last PTSA meeting was held on Thursday, March 12th. The PTSA is in the process of planning the last 5/6 activity night for the school year. A crafts room and outdoor sport activities will be added for students who would like to do more than just dancing and eating. Staff Appreciation Week is May 4th through May 8th. The Schools to Watch ceremony is scheduled for June 4th in the afternoon.
- High School Student Council – Nora Borgos reported the Student Council created a Volunteer Resource website called Red and Black Gives Back, in order to provide more opportunities for our

students to give back to the school and community. They are hoping to create a sense of unity among the student body while working towards a common goal. The Student Council created a display case in the school entrance with pictures of high school students volunteering at past events. The site was already used for the Kensington Spring Fair and Odyssey of the Mind. Many students volunteered for both events. Upcoming events for which students can volunteer include the Abraham Wing Spring Fair, and I love New York Parks event at Moreau Lake. The Student Council reached out to several local non-profit agencies to let them know that they can contact the Student Council if they need volunteers. Also, the club advisers and Government Class teachers have been sharing events, and students can access the site by going to the Student tab on the district website. The Junior Prom will be held on April 25th. The Grand March takes place in the High School auditorium to be followed by dinner and dancing at the Great Escape Lodge. The after prom party will be held at the high school. The Student Council organized Cabin Fever Week during the first week of March at the High School. Students dressed in different themes for each day. The themes included Mismatch Day, 80's day, Tie Dye Day, Tacky Tourist Day, and Red, White, and Blue day. The week concluded with the Neon dance organized by the sophomore class.

- Goals Update – Mr. Jenkins reported the next goals meeting is on May 6th. The Board is hoping to adopt the goals at the Board of Education meeting in June.
- Budget Update – Mr. Jenkins gave a presentation on the Budget. The presentation is attached to these minutes and posted on our website. The district is looking at an extended elementary school program. The program would be six weeks in the summer. It will be a program for students who need additional support in Math, ELA and STEM Sciences. We are trying to incorporate summer programs and enrichment programs for our elementary students. Our goal is to create something in the future for our middle school and then hopefully for our high school. The District will be adopting the 2015-2016 budget on April 21st. Thank you to our Business Director, Christopher Hearley, for putting together the budget for us.

5. ITEMS FOR ACTION:

- 5.1 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, to **arrange for appropriate special education programs and services as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (A copy of the recommendations is included with these minutes).
- 5.2 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, to **approve Warrant 9A, 9B, and the Internal Claims Auditor's Report.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.3 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, to **accept the bid from Turf Management, Co., Inc. for Grounds Maintenance of the Morse Field Athletic Complex.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.4 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, to **approve Two Members of the High School Speech and Debate Team, and the Speech and Debate Advisor to attend the National Competition in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida from May 22, 2015 – May 25, 2015.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.5 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, to **approve the Health and Welfare Services Contract with South Colonie Central School District.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.6 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, to **approve the Contract with Community, Work & Independence, Inc. (CWI) for Day Habilitation Services.**

The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).

- 5.7 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve the School District Day Treatment Contract with Northeast Parent and Child Society.**
The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.8 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to approve the Fund Surplus Resolution Agreement and Release with Questar III.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.9 It was moved by Mr. Conrick, seconded by Mrs. Burton, **to approve the first reading of the following policies:**
 5220 – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants and Bequests to the School District
 5230 – Property Tax Exemptions (with changes)
 5410 – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering
 5411 – Procurement of Goods and Services
 5412 – Alternative Formats for Instructional Materials
 5510 – Accounting of Funds (with changes)
 5511 – Extra Classroom Activities Fund
 5540 – Financial Accountability
 5542 – Audit Committee
 5631 – Pest Management and Pesticide Use
 5640 – Smoking/Tobacco Use
 5650 – Energy Conservation and Recycling in the Schools (with changes)
 5660 – School Food Service Program (Lunch and Breakfast)
 5672 – Information Security Breach and Notification
 5684 – Facilities: Inspection, Operation & Maintenance (with changes)
 5740 – School Bus Safety Program (with changes)
 The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.10 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve Waiving the Second Reading of the Policies listed in 5.9.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).
- 5.11 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to Adopt the Policies listed in 5.9.**
The motion was carried unanimously (6-0) (attached).
- 5.12 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to approve the Election Inspectors and Alternate Inspectors for the Budget Vote on May 19, 2015.**
The motion was carried unanimously (6-0).
- 5.13 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to accept the bid as listed for Phase III of the Capital Project.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0) (Attached).

6. **PERSONNEL:**

- 6.1 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to accept the following Professional Resignation:**
Turken, David, Music Teacher, Effective June 30, 2015

 The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)
- 6.2 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to accept the following Non-Teaching Retirements:**
Frasier, Noelle, Teacher Aide, Effective June 26, 2015
Desourdy, Joseph, Head Custodian, Effective August 1, 2015

The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)

6.3 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to approve the following Non-Teaching Resignations:**

Korniak, Norman, Groundskeeper, Effective April 6, 2015

Lorrain, Sherry, Senior Typist, Effective May 1, 2015

The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)

6.4 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve the following Volunteer Coaches (2014-2015):**

Barrows, Tom, JV Softball

Johnson, Herman, JV Track

Moynihan, Lisa, JV Track

Padasak, Ashleigh, Varsity Softball

Purner, Jeff, Varsity Lacrosse

The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)

6.5 It was moved by Mr. Conrick, seconded by Mrs. Burton, **to approve the following Mentor Appointment:**

Lis, Brandon, Special Education Teacher, High School, Salary; \$1,580, Effective September 3, 2014

The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)

7. CORRESPONDENCE: None

8. OLD BUSINESS: None

9. NEW BUSINESS: None

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:20 p.m., it was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mr. Conrick, **to adjourn to executive session to discuss a legal issue and a personnel issue.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0).

Executive Session ended at 8:13 p.m.

It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, to come out of executive session.

The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0).

11. ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:14 p.m., there being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Conrick, seconded by Mrs. Burton, **to adjourn the meeting.** The motion was carried unanimously. (6-0)

Amy Towers
Clerk, Board of Education