

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

MINUTES

Monday, April 9, 2018

District Office - 15 Quade Street - 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Deason – Vice President, Mrs. Culliton, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Greenwood, Mr. Levin, Mr. Rivers, Mrs. Spector-Tougas

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mrs. Maurer, Mrs. Stockdale

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Paul Jenkins, Trent Clay, Bobby Yusko, Tammy Silvernell, Debbie Hall, Jennifer Hayes, Carrie Mauro, Rebecca Vanderkish, Chris Reed, Laurie Parker

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Skye Heritage, Paul Streicher, Brandon Lis, Ken Chester, Jason Brechko, Michele Hogan, Betty Brown

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT: Stacie DiMezza, Trevor DiMezza, Nathan Dunn

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Deason, Vice-President, at 7:00 p.m.

1. MINUTES:

It was moved by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, **to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2018 Regular Board of Education Meeting.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- A special Board of Education Meeting is being held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 to approve the BOCES Budget, and the positions on the BOCES Board of Education.
- The Adirondack Area School Boards Association Community Service Awards Dinner will take place on May 3, 2018 at the Queensbury Hotel.
- Some of you may or may not have seen the news or the Post Star about hiring a resource officer in the school district. A couple of news stations have come in for interviews. We have had one meeting on this. There is nothing etched in stone, but we seem to be getting a lot of traction out of it. We need to have more discussions with the city.
- We will be approving the budget at tonight's meeting. Bobby sent a budget book that was very comprehensive to each Board Member. There is a difference between revenues and expenditures. We will be utilizing reserves and fund balance. We have added positions in this budget, and replaced retirements.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

4. REPORTS:

- Jackson Heights PTA – Jason Brechko reported Kindergarten Round-Up took place on March 21st. The PTA helped with the meet and greet, and provided refreshments for approximately 40 families. Jackson Heights received a \$1,500 grant from the GF Foundation for sensory equipment. The Fit Fest will be held on Friday, April 27th. The students will play basketball, softball, soccer, yoga and Zumba. Cornell Cooperative will come and talk about healthy eating, and Warren County will give presentations on dental care and bike safety. In the afternoon, the kids will hold a JDRF Walk. The Mauro 5K will be held on May 16th with the Kids on the Run Group. The 5K is for 3rd and 4th graders, with 55 students participating. The Odyssey of the Mind team went to the state

competition in Binghamton on April 7th. They placed second and are headed to the Worlds Competition in May.

- Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Graham reported the Buildings and Grounds Committee met on March 28th. Phase 1 of the Construction Project has been approved, and went out to bid. Phase 2 was submitted to SED, and can take up to 40 weeks for approval. Also discussed at the meeting was a new safety entrance at Kensington. The committee was also updated on the land purchase at 35 Glenwood Avenue.
- Policy Committee - Mrs. Greenwood reported the Policy Committee met on March 28th. The committee reviewed a number of policies. The policies are listed under the consent agenda for approval at tonight’s meeting.
- Curriculum Committee – Mr. Deason reported the curriculum committee opened with a presentation by Ann Ryan of the HOPE Committee. Mrs. Ryan shared an update with the Board on the various activities that the HOPE Committee supports, and the Committee members that work behind the scenes to make it all happen. HOPE Committee Members include: Ann Ryan, Krista Field, Donna Schoelermann, Betty Brown, Kari Benway, John Woodell Freire, Erin Wever, Pete Taylor, Carol Hobbs, Laurie Parker, Kristy Brennan, Kathy Cerny, and Jennifer Caffarel. Activities of the HOPE Committee include: Superintendent’s Conference Day Luncheon, Clothing Boutique, Food Backpacks, Adult Prom, Sock-tober, Community Exchange Foundation Volunteering, Community Spaghetti Dinner, Taste of HOPE, and Prom Dress Try-On Night. In addition to the HOPE Committee Update, Trent Clay provided a comparison of High School Regents data of local districts as well as an update on our recent visit from the State Education Department in relation to our Focus designation. The State Education Department DTAR visit was a positive experience that will assist our efforts to improve our graduation rate and make stronger connections with families.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Mrs. Greenwood, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)

- A. Student Placements – CSE/CPSE Recommendations
- B. Financial Reports
 - 1. Warrant 9A, 9B, and the Internal Claims Auditor’s Report
 - 2. Treasurer’s Report for the month ending January 31, 2018 and February 28, 2018
- C. Field Trips
 - 1. Community Service and Student Bonding Trip to Camp Chingachgook from April 28, 2018 – April 29, 2018
 - 2. Senior Class Team Building Trip to Camp Chingachgook from May 6, 2018 – May 7, 2018
- D. Donations
 - 1. Yamaha 221 Flute from Kelsey Crosby valuing \$700.00
 - 2. \$500 from Ken Collette for Girls Modified Lacrosse Shirts
 - 3. 2- EDUM3500 Blue Chairs from Paragon, Inc. (Meteor)
- E. Bid from Turf Management Company, Inc. for the Morse Field Athletic Complex Ground Maintenance
- F. Discard Books
 - 1. Middle School Library Books
 - 2. Music! It’s Role and Importance in our Lives
- G. Change the Rate of Pay for Election Inspectors from \$10.00 per hour to \$12.50 per hour
- H. Election Inspectors and Alternate Inspector for the Budget Vote on May 15, 2018
- I. The Glens Falls Farmers Market Agriculture-based Entrepreneurship Scholarship
- J. Early Graduation Request for Robert Eyler
- K. Policies 7530 – 8320 and 8261 - 8440

I. Personnel

1. Professional Appointments:

Brown, Russell, Science Teacher, Step 10 MA, \$53,632.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2018 – September 1, 2022

Quillen, Meghan, Elementary Teacher, Step 2 MA, \$48,466.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2017 – September 1, 2021

O'Connor, Kristen, Elementary Teacher, Step 1 MA, \$48,329.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2018 – September 1, 2022

Truax, Bethany, Elementary Teacher, Step 6 MA, \$50,146.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2018 – September 1, 2021

Sanders, Jenna, Elementary Teacher, Step 6 MA, \$50,146.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2018 – September 1, 2021

McGan, Katherine, Elementary Teacher, Step 1 MA, \$48,329.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2018 – September 1, 2022

Gell, Mary, Elementary Teacher, Step 6 MA, \$50,146.00, Effective September 1, 2018, Probationary Period: September 1, 2018 – September 1, 2022

2. Non-Teaching Resignations:

Colvin, Tara, Part-Time Bus Driver, Effective March 13, 2018

Warner, Lori, Substitute Nurse at St. Mary's, Effective March 23, 2018

3. Substitute Appointments:

Zacharias, Tracey, Nurse, Substitute for Amy Mignot, Salary; \$29,000.00 (prorated), Effective March 26, 2018 – June 22, 2018

Carpenter, Francis, Cleaner, Salary; \$12.13/hour, Effective March 22, 2018

4. Non-Teaching Appointment:

McCullough, Erin, 5.50 Hour Teacher Aide, Effective March 13, 2018, Salary; \$10,989.00 (Prorated), Probationary Period: March 13, 2018 – March 13, 2019

5. Volunteer Coaching Appointments (2017-2018):

<i>Gregory, David</i>	Modified Baseball
<i>Nordquist, Won-Suh</i>	Track & Field
<i>Pelton, MacKenzie</i>	Varsity Softball
<i>Strong, Jared</i>	Varsity Lacrosse
<i>Toich, Connor</i>	JV Lacrosse

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

6. It was moved by Mr. Deason, seconded by Mr. Graham, **to approve the 2018-2019 Budget.**
(Roll Call): Mr. Levin (Yes), Mrs. Greenwood (Yes), Mrs. Culliton (Yes), Mrs. Spector-Tougas (Yes), Mr. Deason (Yes), Mr. Graham (Yes), Mr. Rivers (Yes). The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)

7. CORRESPONDENCE: None

8. OLD BUSINESS: None

9. **NEW BUSINESS:** None

10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:12 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, **to adjourn to executive session to discuss a legal matter and negotiations.**

The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

Executive Session ended at 7:34 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, **to come out of executive session.**

The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:35 p.m., there being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Rivers, seconded by Mr. Graham, **to adjourn the meeting.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

Amy Towers
Clerk, Board of Education