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## GLENS FALLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

### MINUTES

**Monday, May 14, 2018**

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

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

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Graham

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** Paul Jenkins, Trent Clay, Bobby Yusko, Debbie Hall, Jennifer Hayes, Carrie Mauro, Rebecca Vanderklish, Chris Reed

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Skye Heritage, Paul Streicher, Brandon Lis, Ken Chester, Betty Brown, Kristine Trevett-Jones

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sara Quartiers, William Lefton, Darlene Lefton, Heather Shoudy Brechko

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

**1. MINUTES:**

It was moved by Mr. Deason, seconded by Mrs. Stockdale, **to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2018 Regular Board of Education Meeting, and the April 24, 2018 Special Board of Education Meeting.**

The motion was carried unanimously. (8-0)

**2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- The Odyssey of the Mind team that is headed to the world championships performed at the Curriculum Committee Meeting and also provided an example of a spontaneous problem. The team is headed to Iowa on May 23<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. Good luck at the world championships, and congratulations!
- Junior Scotty Jones was featured as a “13 Kid Who Cares”. It was a nice story, and a great honor!
- National Teacher Appreciation week was May 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. Teachers were featured on our website, and the PTA’s, and PTSA’s provided luncheons and different recognitions during the week.
- The budget vote is May 15<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Sanford Street School. The Board will meet at 9:00 p.m. in the district office to go over the results.
- We have a few events coming up this month. We have spring concerts, the Art Expo, and the Senior Sports Awards Banquet.
- The New York State School Boards Association’s School Board U Recognition Program is designed to recognize extensive time and effort for school board members who strive to continually expand their knowledge and skills. The program is comprised of four achievement levels. We have Board Members receiving awards. Mr. Deason, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Spector-Tougas, and Mrs. Stockdale have all achieved Level 1, Board Achievement awards, and Mrs. Greenwood and Mrs. Stockdale have achieved Level 2, Board Excellence Awards. Congratulations!!

3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**    None

4. **REPORTS:**

- **Big Cross PTA** - Sara Quartiers reported “Walking Wednesdays” resumed last week at Big Cross. Kids will be encouraged to walk to school every Wednesday from now until the second to last Wednesday of the school year. Big Cross was proud to be the winner of Hannaford Helps and received \$2,200 from this program. Big Cross conducted a McStaff night on May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Exit 18 McDonalds. Staff members bravely signed up for shifts to work the counter and the drive thru. Kids and families enjoyed being able to interact with their teachers in this exciting and different atmosphere. The event was a huge success! Big Cross hosted their first Zumba night on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Zumba instructor, Jennifer Islas, led approximately 60 kids in a fun evening of exercise. Last week was staff appreciation week at Big Cross. The theme was “our staff is out of this world!” Each day teachers were treated to something different...muffins and coffee, rolling snack cart, lunch catered by the Grateful Den, breakfast, school lanyards, and a raffle drawing for various gifts and prizes. The PTA is looking forward to making several improvements to the school including 5 new water bottle refilling stations to the school as well as paving the track. The PTA continues to look ahead to plan and prepare for some of the bigger events coming up like the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade bike rodeo and the annual ice cream social.
- **Middle School PTSA** – Sara Quartiers reported the students experienced the annual Colonial Days on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Kids interacted and were able to see first-hand how colonial people lived with the help of reenactors. Staff Appreciation Day is Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will be treated to a luncheon to celebrate all they do for our children in the Middle School. The annual 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Spring Fling is set for Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. The dance is a Hollywood Theme. The PTSA is proud to support teacher, Mr. Brechko as he aims to teach middle school students the art of chess while having a Chess Tournament for all middle school students. The PTSA will help purchase prizes for the tournament. The PTSA continues to look ahead to plan and prepare for some of our bigger events happening late this year like Spirit Day on June 1<sup>st</sup>, and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade ice cream social on June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **Jackson Heights PTA** – Heather Shoudy Brechko reported the kids loved the Kathryn Otoshi School Assembly. The 4<sup>th</sup> graders put together a science musical. McTeacher Night was successful! Staff Appreciation week was last week, and staff was provided with breakfast and a luncheon. The Kids on the Run 5K for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders is May 16<sup>th</sup>. The Science Experiment Day is on May 18<sup>th</sup>. The Field Day for 4<sup>th</sup> graders is June 1<sup>st</sup>, and the end of the year family picnic is June 14<sup>th</sup>. The moving up ceremony for 4<sup>th</sup> graders is on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Field Day is on June 21<sup>st</sup>, and kids will be treated with ice cream from the ice cream truck. The PTA will be awarding two \$250 scholarships to two graduating High School seniors.
- **Kensington Road PTA** – Kelly Stevens reported the Spring Fair was held on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The total amount raised was \$6,400. Thank you to the community for all their support, and the businesses that donated items to be raffled. The fair was a huge success! The kids enjoyed playing games, eating food and putting tickets in boxes to win prizes. Next year, the Spring Fair will be held on April 9<sup>th</sup> when not so many events are happening throughout the District. McTeachers Night was last week, and the kids enjoyed seeing their teachers and Mrs. Hayes working at McDonald’s. The annual Bike Rodeo was held for the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders, and the kids loved it! A couple of parents attended the parent evening with author Kathryn Otoshi on May 7<sup>th</sup>. It was an amazing presentation. Thank you Trent for acquiring the grant. The kids loved the books. May 18<sup>th</sup> students will be celebrating National Armed Forces Day. The PTA moved their meetings to Tuesday nights so they can attend the Board Meetings.

- Athletics – Mr. Rivers reported the Athletic Committee met on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Corlew gave a quick update on the girls and boys modified lacrosse teams that were added this year. The numbers on both teams are good. The diving board rigging has been cleared through our insurance company. The awards ceremony is being held on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and the Senior Awards Banquet is May 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Personnel Committee – Mrs. Culliton reported the Personnel Committee met on May 9<sup>th</sup>, and reviewed tenure.
- Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Maurer reported the Curriculum Committee met prior to the Board Meeting. Mrs. Geruso gave a presentation on the Early College High School Coding Class. The Odyssey of the Mind team that is headed to the World Championships gave an excerpt of the “Mockumentary” Peter Pan that they will be presenting at the world finals. The team gave the Board a “spontaneous problem” which they had to try and solve. The subject was a dark and stormy night. It was very neat to see all the improv going around the table, and it was a lot of fun. Mr. Clay gave an update on APPR, and the High School’s 2018 US News and World Report Silver Medal Award.

## 5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

It was moved by Mrs. Culliton, seconded by Mr. Deason, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was carried unanimously. (8-0)

- A. Student Placements – CSE/CPSE Recommendations (attached)
- B. Financial Reports (attached)
  1. Warrant 10A, 10B, 10C and the Internal Claims Auditor’s Report
  2. Treasurer’s Report for the month ending March 31, 2018
- C. Approve the Following Field Trip (attached)
  1. Envirothon Field Trip to State Competition in Geneva, NY from May 23, 2018 – May 24, 2018
- D. Approve Excessing Two Busses and Two Vans
  - Bus #21, 2002 International Bus – VIN # 1HVBBABN02H517296
  - Bus #22, 2002 International Bus – VIN # 1HVBBABN22H517297
  - Van #31, 2009 Dodge Caravan – VIN # 1D8HN44E89B520760
  - Van #32, 2009 Dodge Caravan – VIN # 1D8HN44EX9B520761
- E. Accept the Bid Results and Award the Contract to Kenney Geotechnical Engineering for Geotechnical Work (Soil Borings, Asphalt Cores, Topsoil Tests, and Infiltration Tests) at Kensington and Jackson Heights (attached)
- F. Rescind the Contract from Glens Falls Solar Guard for Window Film for the Reconstruction and Alterations – Phase 1 of the Construction Project (attached)
- G. Accept the Amended Bid Report for the Window Film Contract and Award the Window Film Contract to New England Security Film for the Reconstruction and Alterations – Phase 1 of the Construction Project (attached)
- H. Discard the Following Textbooks
  - Catherine Called Birdy
  - Websters New World Dictionary – School Edition
  - Choices in Literature Series (3 Volumes) Including Teacher Editions
  - The Star Fisher
  - Slake’s Limbo
  - Night of the Twisters
  - Randall’s Wall
  - Missing May
  - Discover the Wonder: Explorers Activity Guide
  - Discover the Wonder: Science
  - Earth Science Physical Setting 2009: Brief Review
  - Earth Science: The Physical Setting 2012

- Science Study Weekly Challenges Resource Book
  - New York Coach Science - Grade 5
  - Reviewing Living Environment
  - New York Grade 8 Intermediate Level Science Test
  - Exploring Physical Science
  - Biology: The Study of Life
  - Environmental Science: How the World Works and Your Place in It
  - Modern Earth Science
- I. Accept and Approve Summer Sports Camps and Camp Directors (attached)
- J. Abolish the Payroll Supervisor Civil Service Position
- K. Approve Early Graduation Request for Regina Erwin
- L. **Personnel**
1. **Non-Teaching Resignations:**  
*Farrell, Jennifer*, Payroll Supervisor, Effective April 27, 2018  
*Carota, Stephanie*, Teacher Aide, Effective April 30, 2018  
*Hall, William*, Cleaner, Effective May 1, 2018  
*Backus, Carrie*, Teacher Assistant, Effective May 7, 2018  
*Bosford, Kody*, Substitute Cleaner, Effective May 7, 2018  
*Winslow, Kara*, Teacher Aide, Effective May 7, 2018  
*Berkheimer, Matthew*, Custodian, Effective May 18, 2018  
*Quillen, Meghan*, Teacher Aide, Effective June 30, 2018
  2. **Non-Teaching Retirement:**  
*Haynes, Clifford*, Custodian, Effective June 21, 2018
  3. **Non-Teaching Appointment:**  
*Morris, Kristine*, 6.50 Teacher Aide, Effective April 23, 2018, Salary; \$12,987.00 (prorated), Effective April 23, 2018 – April 23, 2019
  4. **Non-Teaching Leave of Absence:**  
*Caringi, Lisa*, Teacher Aide, Effective April 11, 2018 – August 10, 2018
  5. **Professional Leave of Absence:**  
*Rajeski, Melissa*, Special Education Teacher, Effective (approximately) September 9, 2018 – November 18, 2018
  6. **Collaborative Summer Program Teacher Appointment (7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**  
*Clough, Amanda*, Elementary Teacher, \$3,909
  7. **Mentor Appointments (2018-2019):**  
*Krogmann, Carrie*, Salary; \$1,580.00, Mentoring Kristen O'Connor, new Elementary Teacher at Kensington, Effective September 1, 2018  
  
*Duffer, Melanie*, Salary; \$1,580.00, Mentoring Katherine McGan, Elementary Teacher at Jackson Heights, Effective September 1, 2018
  8. **Summer 2018 Special Education 12:1:4 Teacher Appointments (Effective 7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**  
*Walton, Christal*      6.5 hours – Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays  
*Brennan, Kristy*      6.5 hours – Tuesdays, Thursdays
  9. **Summer 2018 Special Education 15:1 (half-day program) Teacher Appointments (Effective 7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**  
*Duffer, Melanie*      3.5 hours

*Field, Krista* 3.5 hours

10. **Summer 2018 Special Education 12:1:4 Support Staff Appointments (Effective 7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**

**Teacher Assistants**

*Caselnova, Robin* 6 work hours + ½ hour unpaid lunch

*Dobroski, Linda* 6 work hours + ½ hour unpaid lunch

**Teacher Aides (1:1)**

*Moore, Assunta* 6 work hours + ½ hour unpaid lunch

*Noonan, Tammy* 6 work hours + ½ hour unpaid lunch

11. **Summer 2018 Special Education 15:1 (half-day program) Support Staff Appointments (Effective 7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**

**Teacher Assistants**

*Zurlo, Lisa* 3.75 work hours + 15 minutes paid break

*Phillips, Kim* 3.75 work hours + 15 minutes paid break

*Brown, Betty* 3.75 work hours + 15 minutes paid break

12. **Summer 2018 Special Education Tutors (as indicated by Student Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Appointments (Effective 7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**

*McLeod, Lisa*

*Ring, Rebecca*

*Brennan, Kristy*

13. **Summer 2018 Special Education Related Service Providers (as indicated by Student Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Appointments (Effective 7/2/18 – 8/10/18):**

*Wells, Lisa* Speech Pathologist (7/2/18 – 7/20/18)

*Rose-Jenkins, Robin* Speech Pathologist (7/23/18 – 8/10/18)

*Martinez, Janel* Nurse

*Mazza, Cameron* Social Worker

*Carner, Shannon* Physical Therapist

*Ryerson, Danielle* Occupational Therapist

14. **Summer 2018 CSE/CPSE Meeting Members/Evaluations/Additional Work Days:**

*Wolfstich, Allison*

*Ovitt, Heather*

*Columbus, Sabrina*

*Aleva, Michelle*

*Hersey, Elaine*

*Freeman, Katie*

*Lavine, Mindy*

*Ryerson, Danielle*

*Caimano, Judy*

15. **Summer 2018 Substitutes:**

*Oustecky, Teresa* Aide

*McKinney, Anne* Nurse (7/23/18 – 7/25/18)

*Zacharias, Tracey* Nurse (7/26/18 – 7/28/18)

*Trevett-Jones, Christine* Aide/Assistant

16. **Change in Salary:**  
*Goodspeed, Patty*, Salary; \$47,431.50, Effective April 30, 2018
17. **Non-Teaching Chaperones (2017-2018):**  
*Baker, Donna*  
*Brown, Kareena*  
*Chandler, Theresa*  
*Condon, Mary*  
*Dwyre, Karen*  
*Flagler, Jane*  
*Harrington, Heather*  
*Hoskins, Karen*  
*Paro, Kari*  
*Pezzulo, Joseph*  
*Stevens, Kelly*  
*Streicher, Rebecca*
18. **Tenure Appointments:**  
*Hobbs, Carol*, Social Worker, Effective September 1, 2018  
*Hubert, Kristina*, Physical Education Teacher, Effective September 1, 2018

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

6. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

7. **OLD BUSINESS:** None

8. **NEW BUSINESS:** None

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:15 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Deason, seconded by Mr. Rivers, **to adjourn to executive session to discuss a legal matter, personnel and negotiations.**

The motion was carried unanimously. (8-0)

**Executive Session ended at 8:00 p.m.**

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

The motion was carried unanimously. (8-0)

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

At 8:01 p.m., there being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Deason, seconded by Mr. Rivers, **to adjourn the meeting.** The motion was carried unanimously. (8-0)

Amy Towers  
Clerk, Board of Education