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## GLENS FALLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

### MINUTES

**Monday, April 10, 2017**  
**District Office - 15 Quade Street - 7:00 p.m.**

- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Deason – Vice President, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Culliton, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Kunst, Mrs. Maurer, Mrs. Stockdale
- BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Graham – President, Mrs. Spector-Tougas
- ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** Paul Jenkins – Superintendent, Bobby Yusko, Trent Clay, Tammy Silvernell, Carrie Mauro, Debbie Hall, Jennifer Hayes, Barbara Sealy
- STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Skye Heritage, Brandon Lis, Julia Erskine
- COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sara Quartiers, Hannah Pettis

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

1. **MINUTES:**  
It was moved by Mrs. Kunst, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2017 Regular Board of Education Meeting.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)
2. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**
  - We will be going through the budget presentation that was given last week with the new state aid figures. If the Board is comfortable, we can approve our 2017-18 budget tonight, or we can table it and find another date that works. We will need to have the budget approved by April 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - A Special Board of Education Meeting will take place on April 25<sup>th</sup> to approve the BOCES Administrative Budget, and to vote for six candidates for the BOCES Board of Education. The Special BOE meeting will be conducted in the District Office Conference Room at 6:15 p.m., and we will be moving the Capital Project Meeting time to 6:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium because of a conflict.
  - May 8<sup>th</sup> will be our final capital project meeting. It will be held at 6:00 p.m. prior to our Board of Education meeting.
  - Bobby Yusko, Assistant Superintendent for Business, provided an overview of the 2017-2018 proposed budget.
3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None
4. **REPORTS:**
  - Big Cross PTA – Sara Quartiers reported on March 17<sup>th</sup>, Big Cross held its annual Spring Fair, students and families came out for an evening of games, crafts and prizes. There was a cake walk, raffle drawings and lots of yummy snacks in the cafeteria. Thank you to all the parents, and the high school students who came over to help out with the event. Due to a grant received, Big Cross is offering a variety of different after school enrichment programs. These programs include a Reader's Theater Club, Board Games Club, Coding Club and Yoga. These enrichment activities are offered in monthly installments, grouping grade level participants together and giving everyone a

chance to try out each club. All total, over 100 students signed up for the enrichment opportunities for this month. Eleven staff members were involved in the program, and we have about sixteen parents/students participating in Thursday's after-school yoga (grades K-2). The third and final session of the enrichment program begins on May 1<sup>st</sup>. PARP kicked off during the month of March! A super hero theme was used to get students excited about this annual reading event. Students are eagerly reading to help Ms. Hall earn her super powers. An assembly that will show off these super powers is planned for the week after vacation. Big Cross hosted its first ever craft fair. Twenty-one local vendors were set up in the gymnasium and the cafeteria. There was a basket raffle, a bake sale and a photographer taking Easter photos against a spring backdrop on the stage. All in all, over \$1,000 was raised during the event. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year that the Big Cross PTA will be offering 2 grants for the SUNY Adirondack Summer Enrichment Program. Students in grades 3 and 4 at Big Cross can complete the application process which includes asking their parents to fill out a brief form, and the students need to write a short paragraph. The PTA will choose one 3<sup>rd</sup> grader and one 4<sup>th</sup> grader to be recipients of this grant that will allow them to choose a summer enrichment course through SUNY Adirondack that will be fully funded by our PTA. Last year, our PTA selected four students for this particular grant. The PTA is gearing up for the Scholastic Book Fair, which will kick off the week after vacation. This is the coveted buy one get one free event that Scholastic hosts each year. Parent volunteers run the book fair throughout the week, usually running from dismissal time to 4:00 or 4:30. The PTA ensures that the book fair is opened later in the evening at least one day a week to account for parents who work until 5:00 or later.

- Jeremy Deason – great job at the Kensington Fair this past weekend. It was a great turn out, and fun was had by all!
- High School Student Council – Hannah Pettis reported Cabin Fever Week was a success! It was a great week with students showing their originality and school spirit as they dressed up for each different themed day. Trivia Night was held on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Teams of both students and faculty participated in a friendly competition. A huge thank you to Mr. Shaver for being the Master of Ceremonies, and to Coach Zurlo and Paul Streicher for setting up the technology for the event. A great time was had by all. Mr. Cote organized a fundraiser, and the Student Council purchased and donated \$170 worth of personal hygiene products to the HOPE Committee's Boutique. The Glens Falls Rotary has asked for help in finding a Glens Falls family or two that would be interested in hosting an exchange student next year. We are hoping that this will be a possibility. Red and Black Gives Back Update: Student Council's effort to recognize and promote volunteerism continues with several events:
  - The Student Council raised \$734 to support the South High Marathon Dance by making and selling ribbons for two weeks. Many members were able to make a live donation on Friday night, and received a standing ovation from the students at South High.
  - We recruited and organized volunteers for the Kensington Spring Fair, Odyssey of the Mind, and the upcoming Pet Fest.
  - We will be recognizing students who have at least 20 volunteer hours with a breakfast in May.
  - Members of the Rotary came and spoke about an opportunity to participate in an interact club with the YMCA youth leaders. Several members of the Student Council attended the first few meetings, and are investigating if we can incorporate any of their events into our Student Council.
- Personnel Committee – Kristin Greenwood reported the committee met on April 5<sup>th</sup>, and discussed personnel matters.
- Curriculum Committee – Mr. Jenkins reported the committee met prior to tonight's meeting. Mr. Clay reviewed the results of the Brightbytes/Clarity Technology Survey, and showed with the survey results how technology supports our instructional vision, and our focus efforts.

5. **ITEMS FOR ACTION:**

- 5.1 It was moved by Mrs. Greenwood, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, **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. (7-0) (A copy of the recommendations is included with these minutes)
- 5.1a It was moved by Mrs. Greenwood, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, **to approve additions to the CSE/CPSE Recommendations.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)
- 5.2 It was moved by Mrs. Culliton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve Warrant 9A, 9B, and the Internal Claims Auditor's Report.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)
- 5.3 It was moved by Mrs. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to approve the 2017-2018 School Calendar.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)
- 5.4 It was moved by Mrs. Kunst, seconded by Mrs. Greenwood, **to approve the Election Inspectors and Alternate Inspector for the Budget Vote on May 16, 2017.**  
The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)
- 5.5 It was moved by Mrs. Culliton, seconded by Mrs. Greenwood, **to approve the Classroom Lease Agreement with WSWHE BOCES from July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2022.**  
The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)
- 5.6 It was moved by Mrs. Stockdale, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to approve Discarding OT/PT Equipment.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0) (Attached)
- 5.7 It was moved by Mrs. Greenwood, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to approve the 2017-2018 Budget. (Roll Call):** Mrs. Greenwood (Yes), Mrs. Culliton (Yes), Mrs. Burton (Yes), Mr. Deason (Yes), Mrs. Kunst (Yes), Mrs. Maurer (Yes), Mrs. Stockdale (Yes). The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

6. **PERSONNEL:**

- 6.1 It was moved by Mrs. Culliton, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to approve the following Professional Resignations:**  
*Camelo, Gregory*, Library Media Specialist, Effective June 30, 2017  
*Casimano, RosaLynn*, Special Education Teacher, Effective June 30, 2017  
  
The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)
- 6.2 It was moved by Mrs. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve the following Non-Teaching Retirement:**  
*Dubee, Adrien*, Custodian, Effective May 6, 2017  
  
The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)
- 6.3 It was moved by Mrs. Greenwood, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve the following Non-Teaching Resignations:**  
*Burnell, Donna*, Part-Time Bus Monitor, Effective March 1, 2017  
*Warrington, Alexander*, Custodian, Effective March 23, 2017

**Ruddy, Lauren**, Teacher Assistant, Effective April 5, 2017

The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

**6.4** It was moved by Mrs. Culliton, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to approve the following Non-Teaching Appointments:**

**Eggleston, Mark**, Part-Time Bus Driver, Salary; \$16.44 per hour, Effective March 20, 2017, Probationary Period: March 20, 2017 – September 20, 2017

**Evans, Joshua**, Cleaner, Effective March 27, 2017, Salary; \$25,245.00 + \$504 Second Shift Stipend, Probationary Period: March 27, 2017 – September 27, 2017

**Rivette, Schyler**, 6.50 Hour Teacher Assistant, Effective April 3, 2017, Salary; \$13,732.55 prorated, Probationary Period: April 3, 2017 – April 3, 2020

**Tholl, Elizabeth**, 6.50 Hour Teacher Aide, Effective April 10, 2017, Salary; \$12,578.15 prorated, Probationary Period: April 10, 2017 – April 10, 2018

The motion was carried. (7-0)

**6.5** It was moved by Mrs. Culliton, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to approve the following Volunteer Coaches (2016-2017):**

**Pelton, MacKenzie**, Varsity Softball

**Pruess, Erin**, Varsity Softball

**Nordquist, Won-Suh**, Track and Field

The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

**7. CORRESPONDENCE:** The Board received an email regarding the proposed lights on the High School Athletic Field.

**8. OLD BUSINESS:** None

**9. NEW BUSINESS:** None

**10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:00 p.m., it was moved by Mrs. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Kunst, **to adjourn to executive session to discuss a personnel issue.** The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

**Executive Session ended at 8:52 p.m.**

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

The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

**11.** At 8:52 p.m., the public portion of the meeting was reopened and the following action was taken:

It was moved by Mrs. Kunst, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, **to appoint Rebecca Vanderklisch to the position of Director of Pupil Personnel, Salary; \$90,000, Effective August 1, 2017, Probationary Period: August 1, 2017– August 1, 2021**

The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

At 8:53 p.m., there being no further business, it was moved by Mrs. Maurer, seconded by Mrs. Culliton, **to adjourn the meeting**. The motion was carried unanimously. (7-0)

Amy Towers  
Clerk, Board of Education