

**ADIRONDACK CENTRAL SCHOOL  
ADIRONDACK HIGH SCHOOL  
BOONVILLE, NY 13309**

**DRAFT**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – May 9, 2017**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>
John Abdo - President Richard Gallo – Vice-President Sandra Beasock Mark Emery Michael Kramer Almanda Sturtevant	Edward Niznik, Superintendent, Sharon Cihocki, Business Administrator, Michelle Freeman, District Clerk, Wendy Keehfus-Jones, BE Principal; Mark Trabucco, MS Principal; Linda Guernsey; FPT Principal; Dan Roberts, WL Prinicipal; Kimberly Mursch,, Asst. HS Principal; Bob Healt, Director of Facilities III, Cynthia Lauzon, Athletic Director; Marie Yager, Carolyn Renno, Lesa Wilbert, Jan Denslow, Sandy Tagliamonte, Holly Shanley, Ryan O’Neil, Gretchen Schlicht
<b><u>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</u></b> Doug Muha	

At 7:32 p.m. Mr. Abdo called the Regular meeting to order.

Mr. Niznik presented Mrs. Beasock and Mr. Gallo with certificates from NYSSBA recognizing their service as Board members.

**PRESIDENT’S MOMENT:**

Recognized the teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week. Congratulations to the students of Skills USA making it to Nationals in Kentucky.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Mrs. Marie Yager: Thank you to Mrs. Renno, French Teacher and Mrs. Salmon, Speech Pathologist, who are retiring. Her children had each of them, great teachers, going to miss them. She asked, what does a student do if they need to go to summer school, but can’t afford it.

Ms. Holly Shanley: Transportation concern about where her son gets picked up for the bus. Cars travel 60 mph past the bus stop. She is nervous something bad is going to happen. She did ask for a sign and that has been put up, but doesn’t seem to help.

Mrs. Carolyn Renno: Thanked the Board and said she has always been happy to come to work at Adirondack.

Public Forum ended at 7:40 p.m.

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:**

**Mrs. Smith – High School Principal**

- Skills USA students did great, onto Nationals.
- Currently administering AP exams.
- Will be doing field testing.
- May 20<sup>th</sup> is the Junior Prom at Stysh’s
- May 26<sup>th</sup> eighth graders will be meeting with 9<sup>th</sup> graders for transition into high school.

**Mrs. Mursch – Asst. High School Principal:**

- Impact Week is next week leading up to Prom. Activities all week during lunch periods provided by guidance, YWCA, KISS FM, Oneida County Health Dept., Insight House, speaker Ken Bartolo to speak on substance abuse.

**Ms. Lauzon – Director of PE, Health Athletics/Interim MS Principal:**

- In Athletics, games have been canceled and rescheduled due to the weather, flooded fields, etc. Have to get all games in by May 26<sup>th</sup>. Senior Rec for track was held. Thank you to coaches, BYAA, bus garage who have been incredible getting things done to get games in.
- In Phys. Ed., canoeing has been cold.
- In the MS, thank you to MS faculty, staff, HS staff, faculty, administrators for their support in the transition. Guidance has been awesome.

Mr. Niznik thanked Ms. Lauzon for stepping in to the MS principal position. Not everyone knows that she was a principal previously and is doing a great job.

**Mrs. Keehfus-Jones – Boonville Elementary Principal:**

- NYS Math Assessments were last week.
- Parent Teacher Conferences next week.
- Boonville PTA is sponsoring a book fair and book bingo, kids love it.

**Mrs. Guernsey – Forestport Elementary Principal:**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will be going to BREIA hiking.
- Will be having spring book fair.
- Busy planning June events.
- Thank you to the PTA for sponsoring the student garden again this year.

**Mrs. Foye – CSE Director:**

- CSE Department sponsored a Sip & Paint which raise \$120 for Autism Awareness. Mrs. Ringwald will be coming to the 12:1:3:1 class to do something similar with students.
- Committee on Pre-School has been holding meetings.
- Busy finalizing services.

**Mr. Roberts – West Leyden Elementary Principal:**

- West Leyden PTA held a literacy night.
- Volunteers from Skills USA came to work with students.
- Parent/Teacher conferences next week.
- Elementary concert/art show on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Mr. Healt – Director of Facilities:**

- High School fire system has been repaired.
- Plumbing for outside concession stand at the HS repaired.
- Everything switched over at Boonville Elementary to new transformers installed over April break.
- Bus accident on Main St. where a car rear-ended a bus, no injuries.
- Had insurance walk-through.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mrs. Sturtevant moved and Mrs. Beasock seconded, carried 6-0; the Board approved the following by a consensus motion:

**Minutes:**

April 25, 2017 Special meeting.

**Non-Teaching Substitutes:**

- >> Linette Croniser – Sub-Bus Attendant
  - >> Matthew Roberts – Sub-Bus Driver
  - >> Bradley Smith – Sub-Bus Driver
  - >> Timothy Scott – Sub-Bus Driver
- \*\*pending background clearance\*\*

**Field Trip:**

French & Spanish Club members to Water Safari	6/21/17
MS students to the Beeches for STEM event	6/7/17

**Building Use:**

Forestport PTA to use the Forestport Bus Garage	5/22 & 5/23/17
Forestport PTA to use the art/music and multipurpose rooms	6/6/17
Class of 1967 to tour the Boonville Elem building	6/9/17
MS High Honor students to use the HS cafeteria and kitchen	6/13/17
Adirondack Pop Warner Cheer to use the track/outdoor bathrooms MP room and inside bathrooms	8/1/17 – 11/3/17

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

Mrs. Beasock moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 6-0; the Board approved the following:

**Budget Vote:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board designated Attorney Richard Warren as Chairperson of the School Budget Vote and Election of Members, Tuesday, May 16, 2017; and designate Superintendent Edward Niznik as acting Clerk in the event the District Clerk is absent or unable to act in this capacity.

**Budget Vote Inspectors/Teller:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approved the following inspectors and teller for the School Budget Vote and Election of Board Members:

Inspectors – Barbara Sykes, Sherie Coe (Required by Oneida County Board of Elections, paid by the District \$120.00 each)

Teller – Tonya Kazek

**Retirement Resignations:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepted the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Mrs. Donna Salmon, Speech Language Pathologist effective July 1, 2017.

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepted the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Mrs. Carolyn Renno, French Teacher effective June 30, 2017.

**Bus Attendant Permanent Appointment:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appointed Ms. Dawn Williams, Bus Attendant, to a permanent position after successful completion of her probationary period.

**Support Staff:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appointed the following support staff:

Name	Position	Civil Service Classification	Type of Appointment	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Dawn Williams	Bus Driver	Non-Competitive	26-week Probationary	5/1/17	Grade 20, Step 1

**Surplus Equipment/Books:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board declared equipment and/or textbooks from the District as surplus and be disposed of in the most expedient manner as per the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools.

**Committee on Special Education:**

Resolved that, upon recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, granted approval for placement of students.

**School Lunch Fund Transfer:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board granted the District Treasurer's request to advance \$40,000.00 to School Lunch Fund until funding received.

**Budget Transfers:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approved the Budget Transfers for March and April 2017.

**Instructional Calendar Revision:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approved the revision to the 2017-2018 Instructional Calendar.

**Mrs. Beasock moved and Mr. Gallo seconded, carried 6-0; the Board adopted the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the Adirondack Central School District (the "District"), is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), ECL Section 8-0101, *et seq.*, and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations"); and

**WHEREAS**, the District is considering undertaking a capital improvement project consisting of renovations and improvements to the District's high school/middle school complex, including, site improvements, original furnishings, fixtures and equipment (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the District, as a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), ECL Section 8-0101, *et seq.*, and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations"), having reviewed the impact of the Project upon the environment, intends hereby to determine that the Project constitutes a "Type II Action" under 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(25) of the Regulations and is not subject to review under SEQRA. The regulatory bases for this determination are Section 617.5(c)(1): "maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility" and Section 617.5(c)(2): "replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site ...."

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by this Board of Education as follows:

**Section 1.** The Project constitutes a "Type II Action" under 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(25) of the Regulations and is not subject to review under SEQRA. The regulatory bases for this determination are Section 617.5(c)(1): "maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility" and Section 617.5(c)(2): "replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site."

**Section 2.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Poll Vote:** 6 – Yes; **Mr. Emery, Mr. Kramer, Mrs. Beasock, Mr. Abdo, Mr. Gallo, Mrs. Sturtevant.**  
0 – No, 1 - Absent.

**Mr. Gallo moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 6-0; the Board adopted the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, Rite Aid of New York filed tax certiorari proceedings challenging the assessment of its property located at 102 E Schuyler Street, Town of Boonville, New York, for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 tax years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Petitioner has proposed to resolve the pending proceedings pursuant to the following:

- a. Discontinue the 2015-16 petition;
- b. Reduce the 2016-17 assessment to \$1,000,000
- c. Waive all real property tax refunds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education is willing to resolve the proceedings pursuant to the terms outlined above.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that:

1. The Board of Education agrees to resolve the tax certiorari proceedings commenced by Rite Aid of New York in accordance with the terms set forth above and in the form approved by Ferrara Fiorenza PC.
2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Poll Vote: 6 – Yes: Mr. Emery, Mr. Kramer, Mrs. Beasock, Mr. Abdo, Mr. Gallo, Mrs. Sturtevant. 0 – No, 1 - Absent.**

Mr. Kramer moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 6-0; the Board approved the following:

**Support Staff:**

Name	Position	Civil Service Classification	Type of Appointment	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Chris Bailey	Bus Attendant	Non-Competitive	26-week Probationary	5/8/17	Grade 6, Step 1

**Bus Driver Resignation:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepted the resignation of Mr. David Poyer, Bus Driver, effective May 5, 2017.

**INFORMATION & DISCUSSION {Enclosures}:**

➤ **Policies:**

**Mrs. Sturtevant moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 6-0; the Board adopted the following policies:**

- Education of Homeless Children and Youth – 7131 - *2nd Reading*
- Registration and Professional Development - 6160 – *2nd Reading*
- Reserve Funds - 5160 – *2nd Reading*
- Budget Adoption – 5130 – *2nd Reading*
- Audit Committee – 5572 – *2nd Reading*

➤ **Warrants**

- General Fund Warrant # 16
- Lunch Fund Warrant # 10
- Special Aid Warrant # 7
- Capital Fund Warrant #10

➤ Treasurer's Reports – March 31, 2017

➤ School Lunch/Breakfast Quarterly Report

➤ College Student Observation:

Student	College	Cooperating Teacher	Time Period
Dolly Peterson	Crane School of Music /SUNY Potsdam	Ms. Schlicht	Oct. 30 – Dec. 15, 2017

➤ Results of Vote for the 2017-2018 BOCES Administrative Budget and Election

➤ NYSSBA Membership Dues

**HANDOUTS**

➤ Enrollment Figures as of May 1, 2017

➤ District Calendar, May 2017

➤ Claims Auditor Report – April 2017

➤ Conferences Approved by Superintendent

➤ Conference Report – *Makerspace Conference* – Jamie Benson

At 8:02 p.m. Mr. Emery moved and Mrs. Beasock seconded, carried 6-0; to go into executive session to discuss negotiations.

Board members returned from executive session at 10:03 p.m. Mr. Emery moved and Mrs. Beasock seconded; carried 6-0, to go into regular session.

At 10:04 p.m. Mrs. Beasock moved and Mr. Kramer seconded, carried 6-0, the Board adjourned to the Annual District Meeting (Budget Vote) to be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 in room G111 at the Middle School.