

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – February 25, 2020**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>
Michael Kramer - President Almanda Sturtevant – Vice-President Bruce Brach Mark Emery Richard Gallo Doug Muha	Edward Niznik, Superintendent; Sharon Cihocki, Business Administrator; Michelle Freeman, District Clerk; Marie Yager, Richard Chrisman-ATA
<b><u>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</u></b> John Abdo	

At 6:04 p.m. Board President, Michael Kramer called the meeting to order.

Mr. Emery moved and Mr. Muha seconded; carried 5-0; to go into executive session to discuss the employment history of particular personnel. Mr. Niznik was appointed Clerk Pro-Tem in the absence of the District Clerk.

Mrs. Sturtevant entered the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Board members returned from executive session at 7:02 p.m. Mr. Muha moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 6-0; to go to regular session.

At 7:03 p.m. Mr. Kramer led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

**PRESIDENT’S MOMENT:**

Mr. Kramer asked for a moment of silence for the passing of former Adirondack teacher Mr. Dave Parzych.

**BUDGET:**

Mrs. Cihocki, Business Administrator went over the following:

**2020-2021 Budget Draft 3** – A few modifications, reduction of ELA series (Math series still included), addition of debt service for existing capital project, movement of BOCES expense code to more accurately reflect technology costs related to students. Minor reductions in some codes.

**Revenue Draft 3** – Basic formula state aid number increased to include building aid for existing building project. Tax levy decreased to reflect reduction in expenditures.

**Preliminary Property Tax Cap** – Final tax cap cannot be calculated since state has not provided guidance on the BOCES capital exclusion. Tax cap is 2.3% not including any impact from BOCES project. Hoping to have more solid number by end of week.

**BOCES Service Request** – For the most part same as last year. Estimated cost increase of 4% or actual cost.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Mr. Brach stated he attended the solar energy project meeting that was held in Forestport. Basically the company is looking at leasing 1,000 acres of land. They are talking of splitting \$400,000 between the Town of Forestport, Village of Boonville and the school. In his opinion, it would be a good idea to put together an ad hoc committee to look further into this. Mr. Kramer said he would talk to Lowville to see how they handled their solar energy project.

Mrs. Yager stated she attended the solar meeting that was held in Boonville and they couldn’t answer the questions she asked them.

Public Forum ended at 7:30 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Gallo, carried 6-0; the Board approved the following by a consensus motion:**

**Minutes:**

February 11, 2020 Regular Meeting

**Non-teaching Substitutes:**

Non-teaching:

>> Elizabeth Newvine – Substitute School Bus Attendant

\*\*pending background clearance\*\*

**Building Use Requests:**

West Leyden PTA to use the WL gym and cafeteria	3/5/2020
Math Honor Society to use the HS cafeteria and foyer	4/3 & 4/4/20

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

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

**Permanent Position Food Service Helper:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appointed Ms. Shawn Southwick to the permanent position of Food Service Helper after successful completion of her 26-week Civil Service probationary period effective March 3, 2020.

**Bus Driver in Training:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appointed Ms. Elizabeth Newvine as a bus driver in training effective February 26, 2020.

**Transportation Request:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the transportation request from the Town of Forestport Youth Recreation to the Adirondack Bank Center in Utica on Sunday, March 15, 2020. As in the past the driver and mileage would be paid through the Town Voucher system.

**INFORMATION & DISCUSSION {Enclosures}:**

- The terms of the following Adirondack School Board Members expire on June 30, 2020:
  - >> John Abdo
  - >> Michael Kramer
- Board of Education petitions will be available from the District Clerk on Monday, March 2, 2020, and must be returned by Monday, April 20, 2020. The number of signatures required on the petition is 25.
- College Students Observance & Fieldwork:

Name	College	Major	When	Teacher/Bldg.
Emily Rundle	University of Buffalo	School Librarian	20 full school days during spring semester	Ms. Zeigler HS
Amy Sears	Utica College	Childhood Ed./Special Ed	20 hours of fieldwork	Mrs. Griffin BE

At 7:35 p.m. Mr. Muha moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 6-0; to go into executive session to discuss the employment history of particular personnel.

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**Michelle Freeman, District Clerk**

Board members returned from executive session at 8:26 p.m. Mr. Emery moved and Mr. Gallo seconded, carried 6-0; to go into regular session.

At 8:30 p.m. Mr. Muha moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 6-0; to adjourn to the Special meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 in the District office at 6:00 p.m.

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**Edward S. Niznik, Clerk Pro-Tem**