

**ADIRONDACK CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOONVILLE ELEMENTARY – Via Live Stream
BOONVILLE, NY 13309**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – May 12, 2020

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE	OTHERS
Michael Kramer - President Almanda Sturtevant – Vice-President John Abdo Bruce Brach Mark Emery Richard Gallo Doug Muha	Edward Niznik, Superintendent, Sharon Cihocki, Business Administrator, Michelle Freeman, District Clerk Meeting was conducted via livestream due to Governor’s Executive Order, meeting held without public attendance
<u>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</u>	

At 7:05 p.m. Board President, Mr. Kramer called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

PRESIDENT’S MOMENT:

Mr. Kramer welcomed everyone to the 3rd installment of our live streamed meetings. He explained that Mr. Niznik, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. Cihocki, Mr. Youngs and himself were spread out in the cafeteria and the other board members were throughout Boonville Elementary and some from home to follow the social distancing requirements and not having public attendance at meetings.

Mr. Kramer thanked the bus drivers, cafeteria staff and volunteers for all they do preparing and delivering meals to students. Thank you to teachers and especially to parents, you are all doing a great job and we will get through this.

Mr. Niznik mentioned a few housekeeping items. On Friday, May 15th Adirondack is participating in Section III dedication to 2020 graduates. The lights on the field at the high school will be on from 8:20 a.m. to 8:40 p.m. (20 minutes). Students/families may drive past the field to see.

The Budget Hearing is set for Thursday, May 28th. It will be live streamed from Boonville Elementary. Mr. Niznik will give his budget presentation and the regular meeting will follow.

Mr. Kramer read the qualifications of a voter to vote in the budget/election. This year is not going to be held at the middle school, it will be by absentee ballot only. It is going to be different. If someone doesn’t receive a ballot and is qualified to vote, an absentee ballot can be obtained by calling the District Office.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None due to Governor’s Executive Order of no public attendance, meeting livestreamed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mrs. Sturtevant moved and Mr. Gallo carried 7-0; the Board approved the following by a consensus motion:

Minutes:

Approve the minutes from the April 21, 2020 2nd Regular meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Mr. Abdo moved and Mr. Muha seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following:

Teacher Retirement:

Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepted the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Ms. Sharon Luczynski, Special Education Teacher effective July 1, 2020. Both Mr. Niznik and Mr. Kramer expressed their appreciation for everything Mrs. Luczynski has done for the district and wished her the best in her retirement.

Mr. Emery moved and Mr. Abdo seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following:

Administrators’ Association Retirement Incentive:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the Memorandum of Agreement dated April 15, 2020, between the District and the Adirondack Administrators’ Association regarding a local retirement incentive.

Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Gallo seconded, carried 7-0; the Board accepted the following:

Administrator Retirement:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepted the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Mrs. Wendy Keehfus-Jones, Administrator effective June 30, 2020. Mr. Niznik expressed his appreciation for everything Mrs. Keehfus-Jones has done in her years as Boonville Elementary Principal and wished her the best in her retirement.

Mr. Gallo moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0; 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 Mrs. Amanda Taylor, Food Service Helper to a permanent position following the successful completion of her probationary period effective May 13, 2020.

Mr. Brach moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 7-0; the Board accepted that following:

Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser Donation:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepted the donation of \$11,179 from the annual Gertrude Hawk fundraiser to purchase school supplies for the students of Boonville Elementary. Mr. Niznik thanked Mrs. Cihocki for her hard work chairing this event.

Bruce Brach moved and Mr. Abdo seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following:

CSE Contract with South Lewis:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education entered into agreement with the South Lewis Board of Education for the Adirondack CSD to contract with the South Lewis CSD for instruction of students with disabilities in a program that is appropriate for the 2020-2021 school year.

Lead Evaluator Training – Administrators:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been provided evidence that Adirondack Central School Administrators, Heidi Smith, Daniel Roberts, Jill Rowlands-Will, Wendy Foye, Linda Guernsey, Wendy Keehfus-Jones, Jill Schafer and Cynthia Lauzon have completed training which meets the requirements of 8 NYCRR 30-2.9 and the Adirondack Central School District’s Annual Professional Review Plan for certification as Lead Evaluators of teachers.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the superintendent of schools, Heidi Smith, Daniel Roberts, Jill Rowlands-Will, Wendy Foye, Linda Guernsey, Wendy Keehfus-Jones, Jill Schafer and Cynthia Lauzon be certified as Lead Evaluators of teachers.

Lead Evaluator Training – Superintendent:

Resolved that, the Board approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been provided evidence that Ed Niznik, Superintendent of Schools, has completed training which meets the requirements of 8 NYCRR 30-2.9 and the Adirondack Central School District’s Annual Professional Review Plan for certification as a Lead Evaluator of principals.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ed Niznik be certified as a Lead Evaluator of principals.

Mr. Emery moved and Mr. Muha seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following:

Tenure:

Resolved that, upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education prospectively award tenure to the following teachers in the following tenure areas, conditioned upon compliance with APPR requirements or waiver as determined by the State of New York:

Name	Tenure Area	Effective Date
Ashlyne Czepiel	Elementary Education	September 1, 2020
Claire Haile	Music	September 1, 2020
Kristen Korman	Special Education	September 1, 2020
Courtney Foll	English Language Arts	September 26, 2020

Mr. Abdo moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following:

Capital Improvement Project Contracts:

Resolved that, upon the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education award the following contracts for Phase 2 of the 2018 Capital Improvement Project:

Company Name	Contract	Base Bid	Total Contract Award
Paragon Environmental	Site Work	\$497,000	\$497,000
Putrelo Bldg. Enterprises, Inc	General Construction	\$4,242,000	\$4,242,000
HJ Brandeles Corp.	Plumbing	\$488,000	\$488,000
Oneida Electrical Contractors, Inc.	Electrical	\$1,283,000	\$1,283,000
HJ Brandeles Corp	Mechanical	\$1,994,000	\$1,994,000

Mrs. Sturtevant moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following:

Committee on Special Education:

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

Budget Transfers:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approve the budget transfers for April 2020.

INFORMATON & DISCUSSION:

- **Policy:** *Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0; to bring this policy back for a second reading*
 - Privacy & Security for Student Data & Teacher & Principal Data, 5676 – ***First Reading***

- **Warrants:**
 - General Fund Warrant # 12
 - Lunch Fund Warrant # 10
 - Special Aid Warrant # 8
 - TA Warrant #10

- **Receipts:**
 - General Fund Receipts #10
 - Lunch Fund Receipts #10
 - Special Aid Receipts #7
 - TA Receipts #10
 - TE Receipts #10

- Change in date and format of the Adirondack Budget Vote & Election - Now to be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 by absentee ballot only. Mr. Kramer read list of those running for board seats: Mr. Abdo, Mrs. Ingersoll, Mr. Kramer.

- Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2020 via Live Stream from Boonville Elementary.

- Jeff-Lewis BOCES Budget Vote & Election results.

Mr. Niznik stated he, administrators and some teachers loaded three buses and headed out to visit 87 seniors. Each senior was given a sign for their yard along with a goody bag. Some faculty and staff followed behind beeping their horns and cheering for each senior. We miss all our students, K-12, but it is a special time for our seniors. We have a few other things up our sleeve. It was uplifting to see them. It is our hope and plan to have some sort of program for graduation, stay tuned for that. Shout out to students and staff doing a great job. It is a lot of work. Some parents are working and then trying to teach their kids. Take time for yourselves and family, your social well-being is a concern for us. Please contact us if you need something, we are in the office. You can leave a message also and we will get back to you.

At 7:41 p.m. Mr. Abdo moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 7-0; the Board adjourned to the Public Hearing/2nd Regular Meeting to be live streamed on Thursday, May 28, 2020 from Boonville Elementary.

Michelle Freeman, District Clerk