

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

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – November 9, 2021**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>
Michael Kramer – President Almanda Sturtevant – Vice-President Bruce Brach Mark Emery Robert Healt Joan Ingersoll Doug Muha	Kristy McGrath, Superintendent, Sharon Cihocki, Business Administrator, Michelle Freeman, District Clerk, Heidi Smith, HS Principal; Dan Roberts, Asst. Secondary Principal; Jill Rowlands-Will, MS Principal; Linda Weber, WL Principal; Jill Schafer, BE Principal; Michael Faustino, Director of Technology, Instr. & Curriculum; Wendy Foye, CSE Director; Brian Maneen, Transportation Supervisor; Cameron Teachout, Director of Facilities; Patrick Fiorenza, Interim AD; Marie Yager, Gail Wood Haile, Darlene DeFazio, Aaron DeFazio, Sandy Mercer, Richard Chrisman - ATA
<b><u>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</u></b>	

At 6:00 p.m. Board members were given a tour of the high school building by Principal, Mrs. Heidi Smith and Cameron Teachout, Director of Facilities.

At 7:02 p.m. Mr. Kramer, Board President called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

**PRESIDENT’S MOMENT:**

Mr. Kramer thanked Mrs. Smith for the tour. Athletics doing gang busters, so much to look forward to. With Veteran’s Day coming up this week, thank you to all veterans. Every year seems to be more important. All school buildings are doing something to say thank you.

**PRESENTATION:**

Mr. Fiorenza – Interim AD – gave an overview of fall sports season. Football, swim, cross country all doing outstanding. Very proud of girls’ soccer. Boys’ soccer kept pushing themselves – 17 boys on the team, expecting good things in the years to come. Great improvement in modified teams. Recognition within the school helps – pep rallies, walk-throughs have been great. Would like to see better contact between coaches and athletes during the off season. With bus situation he feels asking athletes to drive themselves to games/practices is asking for trouble with winter coming.

Mr. Brach asked about coaches driving as bus drivers.

Mrs. McGrath explained we are looking into that, not an easy pursuit. Driver has to have a CDL to drive even the school suburban.

Mr. Brach would like to see a goal set to have them get their CDL.

Mr. Faustino – Director of Technology, Curriculum & Instruction gave a presentation on Professional Development involving teachers/administrators consisting of Superintendent Conference Days, Teacher Leader Academy, staff and curriculum development, New Teacher Academy and Viewsonic Board Training. Participating in professional development shows the work that is put into teaching our children. Handout was given to Board members.

Mr. Brach stated he would like to see an update on Envision Math and Successmaker.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Mrs. Yager stated the policy regarding smoking on the agenda tonight should be in effect for all. Thank you to everyone for doing such a great job for our district. Parents still have issues about their kids having to wear masks.

Mr. Brach stated he spoke with Eric Martin about making the flag pole on the football field taller so it can be seen from all areas of the field. Mr. Martin would do fundraising to fund the cost of the pole if the district can get it set and a light for it.

Mrs. McGrath stated a new base is needed to support a bigger pole. Mr. Teachout is looking into what that will cost.

Mr. DeFazio wanted to thank Mrs. McGrath and Mrs. Rowlands-Will for their time working with them on bullying. October is Bullying Awareness Month, what has been done? Support is needed. It makes him sad there are not more parents in attendance at meetings. What can we do as a community to help our kids? Bullying is a problem, we need to be doing everything we can. He is open to suggestions to start a support group, not enough parents know what is going on. Parents need to be held accountable.

Mr. Chrisman stated a lot of activities have been done this month about bullying, how to be a better person. Don't give up hope, we may not be winning the war, but we are doing things to combat it.

Public Forum ended at 8:17 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Mrs. Ingersoll moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education approved the Consent Agenda following:**

**Minutes:**

- October 12, 2021 Audit Committee Meeting & Regular Meeting
- October 23, 2021 Special Meeting – Board Workshop

**Substitutes:**Non-Teaching Substitutes:

- >> Beth Fox – Sub - Library Aide
- >> Kimberly Mills – Sub – Teacher Aide
- >> Mary Breisacher – Sub – Bus Attendant
- >> William Dieter – Sub – Bus Attendant
- >> Natasha Smith – Sub – Bus Attendant
- >> Malachi Hutchings – Sub – School Bus Driver (in training)
- >> Paul Ventiquattro – Sub – School Bus Driver (in training)

Teaching Substitute:

Cali McConnell – Sub - Teacher

\*\* Pending Background Clearance\*\*

**Building Use:**

<b>REQUESTOR:</b>	<b>AREA/BUILDING REQUESTED:</b>	<b>DATE(S):</b>
ACS Youth Basketball	HS gym for elementary skills & drills	Sundays, Nov. – Feb. 6th
Adult Volleyball	BE gym to play volleyball (adults)	Mondays, Nov – June 2022
Skills & Drills Basketball ( 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> graders)	West Leyden Elem gym	Tuesdays, Nov 16 – April 1, 2022
Baseball & Softball Skills & Drills (3 <sup>rd</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> graders) (3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> graders)	Middle School gym & multipurpose room	Sundays, Nov – April 2022
Wholesome Living Inc.	Boonville Elem auditorium & music room for dance showcase	Nov. 19, 2021
Boonville Elem PTA	BE cafeteria & auditorium for movie night and Christmas crafts	Dec. 17, 2021

**Field Trips:**

REQUESTOR:	DESTINATION:	DATE:
HS Government Program	Oneida County Office Building with Government students	11/3 and 11/10/21
HS 12:1:3:1 Class	TOPS in Boonville	11/19/21, 1/7/22, 3/4/22, 5/13/22
Quiz Bowl	Ithaca High School for Quiz Bowl Competition	11/20/21
BE & WL 4 <sup>th</sup> grade classes	Stanley in Utica to see the Nutcracker	12/9/21
FFA	On Center in Syracuse for Leadership Series	1/29/22

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**Mr. Emery moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 7-0; the Board approved the following Lead Evaluators and CSE Agreement. :**

**Lead Evaluator (Administrators) Resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has been provided evidence that Adirondack Central School Administrators, Dan Roberts, Michael Faustino, Wendy Foye, Linda Weber, Jill Rowlands-Will, Jill Schafer 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, Dan Roberts, Michael Faustino, Wendy Foye, Linda Weber, Jill Rowlands-Will, Jill Schafer be certified as Lead Evaluators of teachers.

**Lead Evaluator (Superintendent) Resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has been provided evidence that Kristy McGrath, 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** the Superintendent of Schools, Kristy McGrath be certified as a Lead Evaluator of principals.

**CSE Transportation Resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education reviewed the agreement with a parent of a student with a disability to transport the parent's child to an out of district special education placement designated by the District's Committee on Special Education.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Education approves the agreement for transportation and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the same.

**Adirondack Related Professionals' Union MOA:**

**Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Muha seconded, carried 7-0:**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the Memorandum of Agreement between the Adirondack Related Professionals Union and the Adirondack Central School District regarding substitute bus drivers and use of association members it employs in other titles.

**Accompanist Resignation:**

**Mrs. Ingersoll moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Ms. Gail Wood Haile, accompanist effective October 15, 2021.

**JV Volleyball Coach Resignation:**

**Mrs. Ingersoll moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Meagan Riopelle as JV Volleyball coach effective November 3, 2021.

**Coaches and Volunteer Assistants:****Mrs. Ingersoll moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appointed the following coaches and volunteers:

- >> Jamie Day & Elroy Moore - MOD A & B Boys' Basketball Coaches
- >> Patricia Croneiser – JV Volleyball Coach
- >> Rebecca Houser – JV Volleyball Vol. Assist. Coach

**Rate of Pay Increase – Substitute Bus Drivers:****Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the increase in rate of pay for substitute bus drivers to \$23.00 an hour.

**District Treasurer:****Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education amended the appointment date of Ms. Ashley Zeigler in the position of District Treasurer from December 1, 2021 to June 15, 2022. As Ms. Zeigler is currently Deputy District Treasurer she will receive the District Treasurer rate when she is conducting District Treasurer duties in the absence of the current District Treasurer prior to June 15, 2022.

**School Tax Adjustment:****Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following school tax bill adjustment:

Parcel #	Town/Village	Adjustment or Refund	Reason	Tax Year
114-000-1-5.2	Town of Lee Center	adjustment of \$1182.95	Due to assessor error	2021-22

**Committee on Special Education:****Mr. Healt moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 7-0;**

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

**Budget Transfers:****Mr. Healt moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the Budget Transfers for October 2021.

**Board Goals:****Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepted the Board goals.

Mr. Brach stated the Goals Workshop was the most exciting and encouraging in 15 years and would like to have another one soon, even a couple times a year.

**Community Education Courses for the pool:****Mr. Emery moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 7-0;**

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the Community Ed. Courses for the pool.

**INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:**

- **Policies - 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings: Mrs. Ingersoll moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 7-0; the Board adopted:**
  - Smoking, Tobacco & Cannabis (Marijuana) Use, 5640
  - Public Access to Records, 1330

➤ **Receipts & Warrants**

<b>Receipts:</b>	<b>Warrants:</b>
Capital Fund Receipts	Special Aid Fund Warrant #2
Special Aid Fund Receipts	Capital Fund Warrant #4
CM Fund Receipts	Lunch Fund Warrant #4
Debt Services Receipts	General Fund Warrant #6
General Fund Receipts	General Fund Warrant #7
Lunch Fund Receipts	

- Treasurer’s Report – September 30, 2021
- Attendants on School Buses – **Mrs. Ingersoll moved and Mr. Emery seconded, carried 6-1; to hire 2 FTE bus attendants.**
- Employee Assistance Program & Monthly Mental Strategies for Staff
- MVCC College Credit Data
- Jeff-Lewis BOCES CTE Data
- Jeff-Lewis School Boards Association Hybrid Presentation – Superintendent/Board Roles & Responsibilities presented by NYSSBA – December 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- Karissa Swartout – 2021 ACS graduate awarded the Cristin Ann Bambino Scholarship through the NYSIR Foundation

Mr. Kramer asked to clarify what board members were on which committees:

- >> Finance Committee – Mr. Brach, Mrs. Ingersoll, Mr. Kramer
- >> Facilities Committee – Mr. Muha, Mrs. Ingersoll, Mr. Healt
- >> Policy Committee – Mr. Emery, Mr. Brach, Mrs. Sturtevant

**HANDOUTS:**

- ACS letter regarding masks in schools to the Oneida County DOH, Lewis County DOH and NYS DOH
- ACS Medical Director’s letter regarding masks in schools
- ACS Enrollment as of November 1, 2021
- District Calendar – November 2021
- Claims Auditor Report for October 2021
- Conferences Approved by Superintendent
- Conference Reports – *College Board Virtual Forum* –K. Carrock

At 9:18 p.m. Mr. Brach moved and Mr. Muha seconded, carried 7-0; to adjourn to the Regular Meeting to be held at the Middle School on Tuesday, December 14, 2021.