

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

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – February 13, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Michael Kramer – President Almanda Sturtevant – Vice-President Bruce Brach Maureen Healt Robert Healt Abby Podkowka Mackenzie Smaldon	Kristy McGrath, Superintendent, Sharon Cihocki, Business Administrator, Michelle Freeman, District Clerk, Dan Roberts, Asst. Secondary Principal; Linda Weber, WL Principal; Michael Faustino, Director of Technology, Instr. & Curriculum; Wendy Foye, CSE Director; Matthew Benson, Supt. of Bldgs. & Grounds; Marie Yager, Darlene DeFazio, Jennifer Gallo (ATA), Kendra Hopsicker (ATA)
<u>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</u>	

At 7:00 p.m. Board President Kramer, called the Regular meeting to order and led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESIDENT’S MOMENT:

Mr. Kramer stated he attended the Legislative Forum in Watertown on Friday afternoon, February 2nd. There were 50 people in attendance consisting of board members & superintendents. Discussed were the trials and tribulations districts are facing with the push for electric buses, decrease in foundation aid, tax cap and free lunches. Although not the most opportune day and time, this session was very informative and recommends others attend next year.

Musical rehearsals are in full swing for the performance coming up in March. Our athletes have done very well. Athlete Hallway Walk was held for those going to States in wrestling, bowling, indoor track, cross country ski. Skills USA did an outstanding job at Regionals. Unified bowling has been a big success.

Happy 100th Day! Adirondack celebrated the 100th day of school yesterday, February 12th.

Former Board member and former Transportation Supervisor Terry Fitch passed away. Mr. Fitch was very active within the Adirondack/Boonville community. Our condolences to the Fitch family.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Fauvelle – Chairperson of the Social Studies Department explained the Seal of Civic Readiness to the Board. It was delayed due to the pandemic. In the summer of 2022 it was put together for the 2022-23 school year. Civic education empowers students to make informed decisions. Shows student understanding of commitment to government – civic responsibility. Students have to complete required social studies requirements, earning a total of 6 points from Civic Knowledge and Civic Participation as outlined by NY State Ed.

BUDGET:

Mrs. Cihocki went over the following budget information with the Board:

- Debt Service Projection, summary of debt service and building aid. Includes projections for existing capital project and ends in 2037-38.
- Reserve Balance, Budget Draft 2 which includes debt service, salaries, BOCES and special ed., still moving numbers and Revenue Draft 1 which reflects governor’s proposal and adjustment for building aid. Tax cap has not been done yet.

PUBLIC FORUM:

No one came forward for public forum.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Ms. Healt moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education approved the following Consent Agenda:

Minutes:

- January 23, 2024 2nd Regular Meeting

Substitutes:

Non-Teaching:

- >> Marcia Brooks – Sub-Food Service Helper
- >> Robin Butts - Sub-Library Aide, Sub-Food Service Helper, Sub-School Monitor
- >> Marlee Gleason – Sub-Office Specialist I
- >> Kyle Wilcox – Sub-Groundswoker/Cleaner

Teaching:

- >> Bethany Croniser – Sub-Teacher
- >> Michelle Knakkergaard – Sub-Teacher

pending background clearance

Field Trips:

REQUESTOR:	DESTINATION:	DATE:
Model UN	Potsdam High School for Conference	2/28/24
FFA	Cincinnatus Central School	3/16/24
National Honor Society	Watertown High School for Senior Recognition	4/4/24
BE 3 rd graders	The MOST Museum in Syracuse	5/21/24
BE 4 th graders	Beaver Camp in Croghan	6/6/24

REGULAR AGENDA:

Surplus Equipment:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Healt moved and Ms. Sturtevant seconded; carried 7-0, the Board of Education 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.

Support Staff:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Healt seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education appointed the following support staff:

Name	Position	Civil Service Classification	Type/Duration of Appointment	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Gordon Hastwell	Building Maintenance Mechanic	Competitive	Provisional	2/14/24	Grade 19 \$20.82/hr.

Leave of Absence:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Healt seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education approved the request from Gordon Hastwell to take a leave of absence from his position as Groundswoker/Cleaner, effective February 14, 2024 pending above appointment to the provisional position of Building Maintenance Mechanic.

Spring 2024 Coaches, Assistant Coaches & Volunteers:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Healt seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education approved the following coaches, assistant coaches and volunteers for the spring 2024 sports season:

Varsity Baseball - Phil Puleo
 JV Baseball - Mike Santa Maria
 Mod Baseball - Jason Cosser
 Volunteer Asst. – Devon Banks, Jason Reppard, Aaron Woodill

Varsity Softball - Sean Green
 JV Softball - Jason Croniser
 Mod Softball - Courtney Foll
 Volunteer Asst. Mod Softball - Liz Horan

Boys Varsity Track - Rob Hennessey
 Girls Varsity Track - Brittany Lewis
 Asst. Varsity Track - Kelsey Charbonneau
 Mod Track - Ryan Jennings
 Asst. Mod Track - Mitch Maryhugh

Varsity Golf - Nick Palczak
 Asst. Golf - Mickey Fauvelle

Committee on Special Education:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, Mr. Healt moved and Mrs. Smaldon seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education granted approval for placement of students.

School Tax Adjustment:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 7-0; the Board of Education approved the following school tax adjustments:

Parcel #	Town/Village	Reason	Tax Year
22.018-1-15	Village of Boonville	Did not receive STAR exemption, refund \$924.00	2023

INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:

➤ **Warrants & Receipts:**

Warrants:	Receipts:
Scholarship Fund Warrant - January	Lunch Fund Cash Receipt – December
Lunch Fund Warrant – January	Federal Fund Cash Receipt – December
Capital Fund Warrant – January	General Fund Cash Receipt – December
Federal Fund Warrant – January	Scholarship Fund Cash Receipt – December
General Fund Warrant – January	Debt Service Fund Cash Receipt – December
	Capital Fund Cash Receipt – December
Appropriation Status:	
General Fund – December	

- Treasurer’s Report – December 31, 2023
- Aged Senior Tax Exemption – Board agreed to leave it where it is at.
- Budget Discussion (based on January presentation) – Mr. Brach stated we need to put together a 5-year comprehensive plan as to cost per pupil. Will discuss at next meeting.

- Policies for First Read: Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Healt seconded, carried 7-0; to adopt the following policies:
 - Student Voter Registration and Pre-Registration #7470
 - Student Directory Information #7242
 - District Investments #5220
- Disproportionality for Suspension – Mrs. McGrath shared information with the Board. A representative is coming in March.
- The terms of the following Board of Education members expire on June 30, 2024:
 - >> Robert Healt
 - >> Mackenzie Smaldon
 - >> Almanda Sturtevant
- Board of Education petitions will be available from the District Clerk on Friday, March 1, 2024, and must be returned by Monday, April 22, 2024. The number of signatures required on the petition is 25.

HANDOUTS:

- ACS Enrollment as of February 1, 2024
- District Calendar – February 2024
- Claims Auditor Report – January 2024
- Conference Reports: *Foundations of Effective Reading Instruction* – Holly Sroka

At 8:33 p.m. Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Healt seconded, carried 7-0 to go into Executive Session to discuss Related Professionals’ Union (non-teaching) negotiations.

Board members returned from executive session at 9:24 p.m. Mr. Healt moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded; carried 7-0; to go into regular session.

At 9:25 p.m. Mr. Healt moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 7-0; to adjourn to the 2nd Regular Meeting to be held in the LGI room at the high school on Tuesday, February 27, 2024.