

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

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2nd REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – March 26, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Michael Kramer – President Almanda Sturtevant – Vice-President Bruce Brach Maureen Healt Abby Podkowka Mackenzie Smaldon	Kristy McGrath, Superintendent, Sharon Cihocki, Business Administrator, Michelle Freeman, District Clerk, Dana Ely, Jackie Layton, Jennifer Gallo-ATA, Robert Hinsdill, Darlene DeFazio, Christine Crowley, Leo Moshier, Phil Squadrito
<u>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</u> Robert Healt	

At 7:00 p.m. Board President Kramer called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

PRESIDENT’S MOMENT:

President Kramer wished everyone a nice Easter and enjoy a few days off with the long weekend.

RECOGNITION:

Interim Athletic Director – Mike O’Donnell introduced Cora Hinsdill and her family. Cora is a two-time winner of the NYS Girls Nordic Ski Championship. Mr. Hinsdill – Coach of the Nordic Ski Team – talked about the season and Cora’s accomplishments.

Mrs. McGrath presented Cora with a certificate and box of cookies to celebrate her second win.

Maureen Healt entered the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS:

Capital Project – Christine Crowley from Fiscal Advisors, Phil Squadrito and Leo Moshier from King & King Architects spoke to the Board about the next capital project, going over the aide numbers from the state and what the aidable costs of the project are. She went over the three scenarios:

- 1) Repairs to both Boonville Elementary & West Leyden Elementary: Project Cost: \$35,100,000
- 2) Repairs to Boonville Elementary to consolidate West Leyden Elementary students with Boonville Elementary: Project Cost: \$26,700,000
- 3) Build addition onto HS/MS campus to move BE & WL Elementary students to have one campus: Project Cost: \$26,900,000

The Board would like to discuss more definitively and have a possible timeline at the next meeting.

First In Math – Jackie Layton, Math Coordinator – Spoke to the Board about First in Math, a game-based program that helps students learn, love and live math. It offers instant feedback, personalized goals, team approach and research-based activities for K-5 levels. Leverages students love for gaming and competition. Engaging – can use at home. 200 different games, activities. Pre & Post testing. Logs student’s data – how they are improving – encourages – short videos path of learning foundational fact – fact fluency – skill sets- bonus games including baseball, etc. Teacher friendly, provides a lot of resources. Currently there are 10 grand student champions – March Math Madness at Boonville Elem. Board members received a playing card to see if they could solve the Math fact.

BUDGET:

Ms. Cihocki spoke to the Board about the final proposed budget. No changes at the State level. No changes from previous drafts of the proposed Budget. Board would like to see a basic formula breakdown of the revenue in the future.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Ms. Podkowka stated how amazing the high school musical was.

Public forum ended at 8:07 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Ms. Podkowka moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education approved the following:

Minutes:

- March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting

Field Trips:

REQUESTOR:	DESTINATION:	DATE:
MS Science Class	JCC Extension Center in Lowville	4/11/24
Elementary All County Band/Choir	Remsen CSD	4/12 & 4/13/24
HS Guidance	MVCC in Utica	4/12/24
WL 2 nd & 3 rd grade classes	Accelerate Sports Complex	6/7/24
Boonville Elem PTA	Annual trip to Water Safari in Old Forge	6/12/24
WL Pre-K	Accelerate Sports Complex	6/14/24

Substitute:

>> Stephanie Race – Sub-Teacher

** Pending Background Clearance**

REGULAR AGENDA:

2023-2024 Budget:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brach moved and Mrs. Sturtevant seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education approved the proposed 2024-25 Budget in the amount of \$32,802,337 and agreed the following proposition be presented to the taxpayers of the Adirondack Central School District for their consideration on Tuesday, May 21, 2024:

“Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Adirondack Central School District, Oneida County, New York is hereby authorized to levy the necessary tax and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$32,802,337 for the purpose of the General Fund Budget for the 2024-2025 school year.”

Permanent Appointment:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Healt moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education appointed Mr. Keith Platt, Groundsworker/Cleaner, to a permanent position following the successful completion of his probationary period.

Change in Start Date:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Healt moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education approved the change in start date for recent new hires Amanda Andrews and David Ehrensbeck from 9/1/24 to 8/28/24.

Professional Development for New Hires:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Healt moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education gave approval for new hires to attend spring and summer professional development at the set professional development rate of pay.

Administrative Internship:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Healt moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education approved the administrative internship of Mrs. Veronica Vecic with Mrs. Brandie Collins, MS Principal during the 2024-25 school year as well as during the 2024 Summer Program with Mr. Michael Faustino.

Administrators' Association MOA:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Smaldon moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education approved a Memorandum of Agreement between the District and the Adirondack Administrators Association regarding the duties of the Athletic Director shall, on a temporary basis, continue to be assigned to an individual outside of the Association and authorizes the Superintendent to sign the approved Memorandum on behalf of the District.

Surplus Equipment:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Healt moved and Mrs. Smaldon seconded, carried 6-0; the Board declared equipment and/or text books from the District as surplus and be disposed of in the most expedient manner as per the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools.

2024-2025 Capital Outlay SEQRA:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Brach moved and Ms. Healt seconded, carried 6-0; the Board adopted the following SEQRA Resolution for the proposed 2024-2025 Capital Outlay Project:

WHEREAS, the Adirondack Central School District is considering undertaking a capital improvement project consisting of temperature control upgrades in the High School, 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 8-0 IO1, *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.

NOW THEREFOR, 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"; Section 617.5(c)(2): "replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site" and 617.5(c)(8): "routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area...."

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Director of Special Education Retirement:

Resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Healt moved and Mr. Brach seconded, carried 6-0; the Board of Education accepted the irrevocable resignation, for the purpose of retirement, from Mrs. Wendy Foye, Director of Special Education, effective April 1, 2025.

INFO & DISCUSSION:

- Policy: 1st Reading: Policy will be brought back for a 2nd Reading
 - Workplace Violence Prevention – 6190

- 2023-2024 Calendar – April 8th there will be no school due to high traffic volume expected for Solar Eclipse
- Student Internship – Cayley Hertel, April 16 – May 30, 2024 with Mrs. Jill Bator at West Leyden Elem

At 8:24 p.m. Mrs. Sturtevant moved and Ms. Podkowka seconded, carried 6-0; to adjourn to the Regular Meeting to be held in the LGI room at the high school on Tuesday, April 17, 2024.