

A regular meeting of the Saranac Lake Central School District Board of Education was held on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at the High School Library.

Board Members:	Mark Farmer Justin Garwood Zach Randolph	Clyde Baker Joe Henderson
Excused:	Aurora White	Nancy Bernstein
Student Representative:	Ryen Kidder	Jacqueline Kielau
Participating:	Diane Fox Cindy Moody	Fred Finn
Also present:	Erika Bezio Josh Dann Bryan Munn Gemini Randolph Bruce VanWeelden	Melissa Butler Paul Herrmann Suzanne Nicholas Tori Thurston

Call to Order: Board Vice President Mark Farmer called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Acceptance:

A motion was offered by Zach Randolph to accept the Agenda, and seconded by Clyde Baker. Upon discussion, agenda item 7C was moved to 7A. With that change, the Agenda was approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused).

Consent Agenda:

Upon a motion of Joe Henderson, second of Justin Garwood, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused) the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Acceptance of the minutes of the 2022/04/26 Board of Education Regular Meeting.

Resolutions Recommended by the Superintendent

PERSONNEL

Upon a motion of Joe Henderson, second of Justin Garwood, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused) the Board of Education approved **Resolution No. 136-2021** by recommendation of the Superintendent, authorizing appointments and changes to positions in school district service.

Instructional

- Appointment of the following to the shared Extracurricular Position of Farm to School Coordinator and Support for the period of 5/5/22 through 8/31/22 at the hourly rate of \$21.11 per hour for a shared total of up to 165 hours (Title IV grant funded):

Julia Day

Thomas Pollock

Athletics

- Appointment of the following Middle School Coaches for the 2022-2023 school year, contingent upon being able to offer the sport. Salary per the SLTA contract.

Andrew Beaudion - Boys Modified Basketball

- Appointment of the following High School Coaches for the 2022-2023 school year, contingent upon being able to offer the sport. Salary per the SLTA contract.

Butch Martin - Girls Hockey Coach

Joshua Dann - Girls Hockey Assistant Coach

- Appointment of the following Event Staff for the 2022-2023 school year:

Dan Scott
Ellen Yousey
Lynda Peer
Christine Adams
Frank Johns
Milt Adams
Scott Prue
Michelle Casson
Sean Ryan

- Appointment of the following Volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year:
Lorissa Martin - Girls Hockey

Non-Instructional

- Permanent appointment of **Ronald Ordway** to the Position of Custodian, effective 6/14/22.
- Accept the resignation of **Rose Bartiss**, bus monitor, effective close of business 04/26/22.
- RECIND the Probationary appointment (BOE meeting 04/26/22) of **Richard Harris** to the Position of Part Time Bus Driver.

CSE/CPSE PLACEMENTS

- Approval of student placements authorized by the Committee on Special Education at their meetings on 3/4/22, 3/15/22, 3/25/22, 3/29/22, 3/30/22, 3/31/22, 4/4/22, 4/5/22, and 4/6/22; and by the Committee on Preschool Special Education at their meetings on 4/26/22 and 4/28/22.

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR GRANT

- Approval for Community Schools to apply to the Mother Cabrini Foundation to provide breakfast, lunch and snack at no cost to students for the 2022-23 school year; the grant request will not exceed \$250,000.

Public Comment

None at this time

Financials

FINANCIAL REPORTS

District Business Executive Cindy Moody posted to the drive, and explained to the Board the current Budget Status Report 2022-05-03 and Budgetary Transfer Report for 2022-04-26 to 2022-05-03. There were no budget transfers over \$10,000. Upon a motion of Zach Randolph, second of Clyde Baker, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused) the Board of Education approved **Resolution No. 137-2021** approving the current Budgetary Transfer Report as presented by the School Business Executive.

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

A motion was offered by Justin Garwood to approve **Resolution No. 138-2021:**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. The firm of Bernard P. Donegan, Inc., is hereby designated Municipal Advisor to the Saranac Lake Central School District.
2. Said firm shall be compensated for its services to be rendered in accordance with its letter of services dated March 11, 2022.
3. The President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to execute and deliver said letter of services.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

This motion was duly seconded by Clyde Baker and approved by roll call vote as follows:
Zach Randolph - Yes, Justin Garwood - Yes, Mark Farmer - Yes, Clyde Baker - Yes,
Joe Henderson - Yes, Aurora White - Excused, Nancy Bernstein - Excused

Old Business

It was noted to avoid confusion, that Andrew Beaudion will only be coaching Boys Modified Basketball (not Girls).

New Business

ADOPTION OF CKLA CURRICULUM

Melissa Butler offered details and data supporting the potential change to the CKLA curriculum support materials for use in grades four and five. Upon a motion of Clyde Baker, second of Justin Garwood, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused) the Board of Education approved **Resolution No. 139-2021** approving the use of CKLA in grades four and five to support instruction aligning with the New York State Next Generation ELA Standards.

APPROVAL OF CSEA CONTRACT

Superintendent Diane Fox expressed gratitude to the Civil Service Employees Association and the Board Member for over two years of work to arrive at a beneficial multi-year contract. Upon a motion of Zach Randolph, second of Joe Henderson, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused) the Board of Education approved **Resolution No. 140-2021** approving a Contract by and between Saranac Lake Central School and CSEA, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO for the period of 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2027.

DISTRICT CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT

2021-2022 and 2022-2023 District Calendar Adjustments to include half-days. Upon a motion of Clyde Baker, second of Justin Garwood, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2. (Farmer, Baker, Garwood, Henderson, Randolph in favor, White, Bernstein excused) the Board of Education approved **Resolution No. 141-2021** Approving the amendment of the 2021-2022 and 2022-23 District Calendars to include half-day instruction the last week of school for grades K-8.

ARP REVIEW

Superintendent Fox updated the Board regarding use of the American Recovery Program (ARP) and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funds. She provided a detailed mid year report documenting the District's utilization of federal monies to enhance the District, which will amount to 3-4 million dollars over the 4 year span of the programs.

PHASE 2 CAPITAL PROJECT ESTIMATES

Superintendent Fox added to the Drive and shared with the Board projections for Phase 2 of the current Capital Project. Given current realities, it is clear that the District must plan to prioritize which projects are most pressing. Among the highest priorities are the Boilers at Bloomingdale Elementary, the High School Track, and HVAC systems at the High School.

Reports

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent of Schools Diane Fox reported on a successful Teacher Appreciation Week - SLTA personnel had a great week. Diane also shared that the new CSEA contract received overwhelming support from the membership.

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON

Clyde Baker requested an agenda item be added to the next meeting for discussion of Distinguished Alumni and Foundation.

Joe Henderson reported that the DEI Subcommittee recently met.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Ryen Kidder and Jacquelyn Kielau shared that the SATs were on the 26th and were very long, AP exams for Juniors and Seniors are ongoing now, Prom is Saturday at Whiteface Inn and the After Prom Party will be at the Gym.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Director of Pupil Personnel Suzanne Nicholas noted she is working with Franklin County to secure grant funding to support our highest needs students.

Bloomington Principal Bruce VanWeelden shared that Bloomington Elementary is looking forward to shared end-of-year activities with Petrova. Also Bloomington's Science Fair will be held May 18.

Community Schools Liaison Erika Bezio reported on working with Hospice to develop a Rainbow Program for students dealing with grief and loss. A facilitator and a volunteer are sought.

Petrova Principal Bryan Munn reported that the last makeups for State Math Tests are today, Grade 5 ELA testing will be mid May. Petrova's first assembly in two years was last week, and Odyssey of the Mind met for the first time with students and parents for the first time since Covid. Students are visiting Heart Lake and there will be an Outdoor Dance next Friday.

High School Principal Josh Dann thanked the Board for authorizing the additional senior privileges, about 25 seniors are allowed to sign out for additional time. The Senior Activities Calendar is coming soon, all are encouraged to participate, the Senior Walk is the first event.

Executive Session

None needed at this time.

Adjournment

Upon a motion of Clyde Baker, second of Zach Randolph, and approved by a vote of 5/0/2 the Board of Education adjourned at 6:36 pm.

Frederick F. Finn, District Clerk