

**CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
ZOOM MEETING**

February 4, 2021

(AMENDED)

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Norwich, in the County of Chenango, New York, was held as a ZOOM meeting on Thursday, February 4, 2021.

PRESENT: Mr. Brian Reid, President; Mrs. Jamie Maistros, Vice-President; Mr. Brian Burton; Mrs. Roz DeRensis; Mrs. Kiernan Hamilton; Mr. Christopher Olds; Mr. John Williams; and Mr. Scott Ryan, Superintendent. Also present: Mr. Rich Turnbull, Athletic Coordinator.

ABSENT: None

Board President, Brian Reid called the Zoom meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT –

- High Risk Winter Sports – Mr. Ryan thanked the Board of Education for reviewing the information supplied to them regarding high risk sports. He explained that each sport and season must be approved individually.

Discussion took place regarding the timeline of the sports and testing. Also discussed was building a schedule with teams in Chenango County and possibly Broome County schools. First game will be February 16th allowing for only a three-week winter season.

Additional discussion regarding spectators and the precautions being taken; Mrs. DeRensis asked about swimming and spectators, Mr. Turnbull announced spectators will be allowed on February 5, 2021. Mrs. Maistros questioned testing and cost (no cost if we stay under 4%), would like it in writing to be sure; Mr. Reid asked if all practices count, yes; Mrs. Hamilton asked when Chorus, Marching Band, etc. would be allowed to start; and Mr. Ryan stated that the Governor gave local health departments the job of developing the plan for sports and when they get the green light for Chorus, etc. we will begin those activities.

Mr. Ryan reviewed the testing pros and cons regarding access to the tests and the number / cost of the tests if we had to purchase them; Mr. Williams asked about spectators with regards to step-parent / grandparent, Mr. Turnbull advised it will be worked out without an issue; Mrs. Maistros expressed concern regarding kids getting to practice and games; and Brian Reid asked about kids that have practice after school with an hour in between is it possible for them to have a place to hang until practice starts, Mr. Ryan said he would look into that.

2. ACTION ITEMS –

- **Resolution – Approval of Winter High Risk Sports** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Brian Burton, seconded by John Williams and carried 7-0, the Board of Education approved the following resolution regarding Winter High Risk Sports:

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2021, the Governor and the New York State Health Department authorized schools to operate certain higher-risk winter sports effective February 1, 2021 as may be permitted and authorized by local county health department; and,

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health subsequently issued updated guidelines for the operation of Sports and Recreation related to higher-risk winter sports; and,

WHEREAS, NYSPHSAA and Section IV have issued revised guidelines for Return to Interscholastic Athletics for the 2020-21 season; and,

WHEREAS, the Chenango County Executive and Public Health Director approved schools within Chenango Country to operate winter high-risk sports, subject to certain requirements.

- **Approval of Basketball (Boys & Girls) Winter Season** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Brian Burton, seconded by Christopher Olds and carried 7-0, the Board of Education authorized the district to proceed with participation in Basketball, both boys and girls for the 2021 Winter Season.
- **Approval of Football Fall II Season** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Roz DeRensis, seconded by Christopher Olds and carried 7-0, the Board of Education authorized the district to proceed with participation in Football for the 2021 Fall II Season.
- **Approval of Wrestling Winter Season** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Brian Burton, seconded by John Williams and carried 7-0, the Board of Education authorized the district to proceed with participation in Wrestling for the 2021 Winter Season.
- **Approval of Volleyball Fall II Season** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Brian Burton, seconded by John Williams and carried 7-0, the Board of Education authorized the district to proceed with participation in Volleyball for the 2021 Fall II Season.
- **Approval of Cheerleading Winter & Fall II Seasons** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Brian Burton, seconded by John Williams and carried 7-0, the Board of Education authorized the district to proceed with participation in Cheerleading for the 2021 Winter and Fall II Seasons.

Mr. Reid thanked the coaches for the all the time they have personally given working with conditioning the boys and girls. In addition, he hopes to see Choral, Orchestra, Marching Band, etc. start up again soon. The Board of Education is aware that state limitations prevent some of these activities and appreciate everything the music department is doing given the restrictions.

3) PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS –

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Christopher Olds, seconded by Brian Burton and carried 7-0, the Board of Education approved the following personnel recommendation:

APPOINTMENTS – WINTER COACHING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>6 Week Stipend</u>	<u>8 Week Stipend</u>
Budd, Christina	Varsity Cheerleading Coach	\$1927.50	\$2570.00
Budd, Christina	Winter Cheerleading Coach	\$2416.88	\$3222.50
Chrystie, Michael	Varsity Football Coach	\$3602.31	\$4803.08
Mills, Wesley	Varsity Football Assistant Coach	\$2974.62	\$3966.15
Stoddard, Thomas	Varsity Football Assistant Coach	\$2372.31	\$3163.08
Brightman, Grant	JV Football Coach	\$2803.64	\$3738.18
Foote, Timothy	JV Football Assistant Coach	\$2803.64	\$3738.18
Alger, Shelly	Varsity Volleyball Coach	\$2974.62	\$3966.15
Portelli, Eric	JV Volleyball Coach	\$2803.64	\$3738.18
Collier, Thomas	Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach	\$2926.88	\$3902.50
Foote, Timothy	Boys' JV Basketball Coach	\$2202.86	\$2937.14
Bennett, Joshua	Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach	\$2926.88	\$3902.50

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>6 Week Stipend</u>	<u>8 Week Stipend</u>
Smith, Jessica	Girls' JV Basketball Coach	\$2202.86	\$2937.14
Hagenbuch, Robert	Boys' Varsity Wrestling Coach	\$3122.00	\$4162.67
Marvin, Luke	Boys' JV Wrestling Coach	\$2372.31	\$3163.08

With no further business, Brian Reid, President asked for a motion to adjourn, motion to adjourn by Brian Burton at 6:41 p.m. Brian Reid wanted to thank Rich Turnbull for the many hours he has put into gathering all the information so we can bring sports back to Norwich; and Scott Ryan for the great job he has done this past month as the new Superintendent.

With a motion on the table, President Reid asked for a second, Jamie Maistros seconded, motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Pamela Salvati
District Clerk Pro Tem

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