

Northern Adirondack Central School District

June 8, 2021 – 6:00 PM

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Ellenburg, NY

Roll Call:

Willie Venne- Present

Phalon Miner-Present

Bryan Trombley-Present

Steven Bartlemus- Present

Trevor Finley- Present

Amanda Smith, Amy Fillion, Paul Gilmore,

Heidi Danis, Mike Loughman, Crystal

LaValley, James LaValley, Michael

Roberts, Mark Reif, Samantha Reif, Jackie

Whelden, Allen Whelden, Michelle

LaValley, Dan LaValley, Jeremy LaValley,

Brad Lashway, Dalton Lashway, Amanda

Rider, Justin Rider, Matt Jarvis, Robert

Jarvis, Claudine Jarvis, Lisa Silver, Sara

Knight , Anika Knight, Emily

VanValkenburg, Ronny VanValkenburg

Others Present:

James Knight, Jr. - Superintendent

Brian Tousignant - Business Manager

Richard Harriman Sr., Nancy Harriman,

Absent Excused:

Mark DeCoste

Mr. Miner Board of Education's President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Attendance was taken by Brittany LaBombard, District Clerk, Five Board of Education members were present for this evening's meeting. With one excused absent Mr. DeCoste.

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley seconded by Mr. Venne and passed unanimously to go into Executive Session, at 6:02 PM. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss a matter of collective negotiations pursuant to article 14 of civil service law (The Taylor Law).

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus seconded by Mr. Finley and passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session, at 6:45 PM.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus seconded by Mr. Finley, to pass meeting minutes from previous meetings.

- May 11, 2021 Budget Hearing
- May 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

Staff / Board Member Recognition

Mary Rabideau- Mr. Knight thanked her for her 15 years of service and had a reward to present but Mrs. Rabideau was not present so the reward will be mailed.

Jackie Wheldon- Mr. Knight thanked her for her 29 years of service and present an apple reward to her.

Heidi Danis- Mr. Knight thanked her you her 31 years of service and presented an apple reward to her.

Jeffory Dooery- Mr. Knight thanked him for his 12 years of service and had a reward to present but Mr. Dooery was no present so the reward will be mailed.

Paul Gilmore- Former Board Member Mr. Knight thanked him for his 10 years of service.

Mr. Knight stated he would now do a quick Superintendents reports as some of the students that are getting rewards are currently on the softball field finishing up their game and will be in shortly.

Superintendent Knight's Report

Mr. Knight went over a couple different topics one in which he talked about was the Brilliant Pathways. Northern Adirondack Central School was chosen to be a part of their program out of 72 schools that also had applied. Brilliant Pathways announced a couple of weeks ago is going to be initiative, which has a value of \$1.5 million to provide schools with a multi-faced comprehensive readiness program for their students are currently a lower percentage of rural students attending college to pair with their urban and suburban counterparts in the drop out by far higher rates. We couldn't be more pleased with the responses, both in their number and quality says Rick Dalton, President and CEO of CFDs to many rural, young people lack the skills and education to take on today's high wage jobs. As a result, the goal of this program is to lower the playing field for a large group of rural students, and, ultimately, rural communities. The school has chosen for the program and a strong commitment to working in partnership with CFDs made successful. It is gratifying to see so many schools that apply for the program. Mr. Knight also talked about some ideas for school in the fall and looking outside the box and possibly having different start and end times for Elementary and Middle/High School Students if the 6 feet social distance is still required. He then mentioned how the FFA Fair could be pulled off this past weekend and even with restrictions, it still gave the students an opportunity to practice for upcoming Fair events that the State will be holding this year. At last Mr. Knight then

recognized the following students in their academic achievements.

Student Recognition

Top 10% Awards Given

Matthew Jarvis

Anika Knight

Jeremy LaValley

Dalton Lashway

Emily VanValkenberg

Myah Mitchell

Tyler LaValley

Alexandria Roberts

Nolan Knight

Class of 2021 Salutatorians

Matthew Jarvis and Jeremy LaValley

Class of 2021

Valedictorian- Anika Knight

Personnel –Appointments/ Resignations

Employee	Position	Department	Effective Date	Pay Rate	Comments
A. Adam Trombley	Maintenance Mechanic	Building and Grounds	6/30/2021	N/A	Resignation
B. Jolie Sargeant	FT Custodian	Building and Grounds	7/1/2021	Step 1 of the CSEA Contract	

C. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Heather L. Gadway, who holds an Initial Certification of Students with Disabilities Grades 1 - 6, is hereby appointed to the position of Elementary Special Education Teacher tenure area for a probationary period commencing on September 1, 2021 and anticipated to end on September 1, 2025. Salary for the 2021 – 2022 school year is based on step 2 – BA+30 of the NATA contract.

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley seconded by Mr. Bartlemus and passed unanimously to approve all personnel appointments and resignations.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

Financial:

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus and seconded by Mr. Venne approve the expenditures and warrants.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus and seconded by Mr. Trombley approve budget status report and treasurer’s report.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

Reports to School Board:

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus and seconded by Mr. Willie approve the CSE recommendations.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

There were no updates to the following:

- Food Service Report
- Custodial – Maintenance Report
- Student Association Reports and Bank Reconciliation Reports
- Administrators
- NATA
- CSEA

The Board opened the meeting for public comment:

Mark Reif- Asked to Board of Education for just their response on what is the plan to get all the kids back in school.

Mr. Phalon Miner – Board of Education President we are doing everything that the County and State will let us to get all of the students back to school full time.

Richard Harriman, Sr. - Gave us a quick update on the BOCES project. Project is still going within the budget.

New Business:

Next Board of Education and Reorganizational Meeting Tuesday, July 6, 2021 held in the Middle / High School Auditorium.

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley and seconded by Mr. Bartlemus to approve first readings of the following polices.

8130 School Safety Plans and Teams
8131 Pandemic Planning

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley and seconded by Mr. Bartlemus to approve resolution service agreement with the CR BOCES.

All Board Members present voted yes- motion carried

A roll count vote completed to approve bus bond resolution Board members voted:
Phalon Miner- Yes Bryan Trombely- Yes Trevor Finley-Yes
Willie Venne- Yes Steven Bartlemus-Yes Mark DeCoste- Absent

Five Board Members present voted yes- motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley and seconded by Mr. Bartlemus to approve Fiscal Year Budget Transfers for 20-21.

All Board Members present voted yes- motion carried

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley seconded by Mr. Bartlemus and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:31PM.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

Brittany LaBombard, District Clerk
N.A.C.S. Board of Education