

DATE: December 4, 2019
 KIND OF MEETING: REGULAR MEETING
 WHERE HELD: Cafeteria
 PRESIDING OFFICER: PRESIDENT MONDORE
 ABSENT: Tom Shypski, Tony Bailey and Kurt Sunderland
 PRESENT: Brad Smith and Julie Gavalo
 OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Piatti, Joe D'Apice, René Wilson and Marilyn Shaw

President Mondore called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Gavalo, to approve minutes of the November 13, 2019 regular meeting. All voted in favor; motion carried, 3:0.

AGENDA

Delete action item #5 [Athletic Parent Contract].

A motion was made by Mrs. Gavalo, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the *revised* meeting agenda as presented. All voted in favor; motion carried, 3:0.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Piatti congratulated the boys' JV and Varsity basketball teams for winning the tip-off tournament; noted that the girls' tip-off tournament starts on Thursday; announced that the holiday concert date has changed to December 17 at 7:00 p.m. due to recent snow days; talked about leaks that are in need of repair in the elementary gym; said instructional calendar revisions may be necessary depending on future snow day needs; reported that a dead tree was recently removed from the parking lot area for safety purposes; gave an update on the Smart Schools Bond Act implementation; and stated that the Faculty Association will meet on December 10 to discuss contract mediation and is hoping for a contract soon.

PK-6 PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dr. Wilson said parent teacher conferences went well; 2020/2021 budget planning has begun; reported on recent faculty meeting topics and upcoming holiday festivities; thanked Samantha Seamon and Amy Ambrose for organizing an act of support to Mt. Markham Central School during the loss of one of their faculty members; and announced the Breakfast with Santa event that will take place on December 14 at 9:00 a.m.

SECONDARY PRINCIPAL REPORT

Mr. D'Apice gave a detailed presentation on academics, attendance, discipline, and staff strength analysis data and asked the board to consider a change in BEDS codes. *Mr. Mondore asked that a report be presented to the board with additional information on this process.*

BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Smith attended a school based health center panel and suggested making the service more visible on the school website to help increase participation from district families.

Mrs. Gavalo attended the SBI Finance Consortium presentation and the Genesis Group Celebration. She hopes everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving.

BOARD PRESIDENT

Mr. Mondore thanked Dr. Wilson for the science fair t-shirt; thanked Mr. D'Apice for his work on the 2020/2021 master schedule; made the suggestion to place an application in the next newsletter for the school based health center; and encouraged everyone to attend the FFA information meeting on December 10.

BOARD POLICY 5202

A motion was made by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mrs. Gavalo, resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Board Policy 5202 [School Food Service Program & Meal Charge Policy] be revised. All voted in favor; motion carried; 3:0.

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APPROVAL RETURNED TAXES

A motion was made by Mrs. Gavallo; seconded by Mr. Smith; resolved, that Scot Mondore, President of the Board of Education of the Richfield Springs Central School District, in the Town of Richfield Springs, County of Otsego, NY, hereby is authorized, empowered and directed to sign on behalf of said Board of Education of said District the Certificate of the Board of Education of said District attached to the "School Collector's Return to County Treasurer" of unpaid taxes of said District, which return is for the unpaid taxes assessed upon the lands in said District in the tax list made out and delivered to the Collector on the 23rd day of August, 2019, and which return is dated and made on the 5th day of November, 2019. All voted in favor; motion carried; 3:0.

BUSINESS OPERATIONS/STUDENT SERVICES/PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mrs. Gavallo; resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following bank reconciliations, student recommendations, resignation and appointments to be approved as listed:

BANK RECONCILIATIONS October 2019.

CSE November 7, 8, 15 and 20, 2019.

CPSE November 15 and 22, 2019.

RESIGNATION

Megan Allison- Teaching Assistant, effective December 2, 2019.

SUBSTITUTE FITNESS ROOM MONITOR for the 2019/2020 school year at minimum wage.

Savannah Lyon

SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT

Ellen MacIntosh

Megan Allison

All voted in favor; motion carried; 3:0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cindy Smith, community member, asked for the total amount of allowable snow days, the percent of families that utilize the school based health center; and suggested the FFA meeting information be displayed on the marquee.

Mr. Smith stated that about 67% of families in the district utilize the school based health center.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Mr. Mondore asked that letters be sent to parents that have signed the athletic contract explaining that the contract will be voided. Mr. Smith remarked that the athletic code of conduct is announced at athletic events and event staff are present to address concerns. The board agreed that in order to remain fair, the contract would not be approved at this time.

Mr. D'Apice expressed concern with Board Policy 5200 [School Wellness Policy]. Mr. Mondore suggested further revisions be submitted to the board for consideration before approval.

Mr. Smith suggested the title "Food Service Supervisor" replace "School Lunch Director" in Board Policy 5202 [School Food Service Program & Meal Charge Policy].

TOPICS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

FFA Presentation

Mr. Mondore asked that the FFA present to the board in a future meeting.

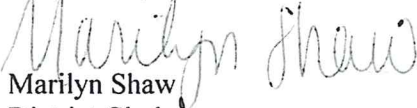
Joint Board Meeting

Mr. Mondore would like to pursue a meeting with the Richfield town board since the recent election of new officers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Gavalo, to enter into executive session to discuss the collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (Taylor Law) and not to return to open session and no action to be taken. All voted in favor; motion carried; 3:0. Mr. Mondore thanked everyone for attending. He noted the next meeting date of December 18. The board went into executive session at 7:20 p.m. The board came out of executive session at 8:40 p.m. A motion was made by Mrs. Gavalo, seconded by Mr. Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. All voted in favor; motion carried; 3:0.

Respectfully submitted,


Marilyn Shaw
District Clerk
