

**Northern Adirondack Central School District**  
**Ellenburg, NY**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**August 11, 2020 – 6:00 PM Distance Learning Center MS/HS and via WebEx**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Gilmore  
Mark DeCoste  
Phalon Miner  
Bryan Trombley  
Steven Bartlemus  
Trevor Finley  
Willie Venne

Mr. Gilmore, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

All Board of Education members were present for this evening's meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley seconded by Mr. DeCoste, to accept the meeting minutes from the previous meeting with a correction made to include the word "Soccer" to Tyler Pombrio's Coaching Position.

- July 14, 2020 Reorganizational and Regular Board Meeting

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

**Superintendent Knight's Report**

Mr. Knight's report included the Smart Schools Bond Act which was approved a few years ago. Among the funding categories were technology, school connectivity and high tech security features. In 2015 the NAC school district used its first installment of the investment plan. This will help our district to be one to one device wise. The district must put the money forward first and then will be reimbursed. Without additional funding it has been hard to get to the next level. Our plan is posted on our website allowing people to give comments. This plan will help us with Technology for next year. We are hoping to secure what is needed by the end of the year. We will have our final plan by the end of September to be approved.

The Governor made an announcement on re-opening plans in regards to what schools are allowed to do. We have submitted our plan. This plan is posted on our website along with remote learning details on line, contact tracing and testing. The Clinton County Health Department is taking the lead on testing and tracing. We need to have 3 forms of prevental communication and one form of staff communication with the potential for questions and answers.

We have a survey that is drawn up that will involve direct phone calls to households asking specific questions. The families will be allowed 2 questions per student related to the re-opening plan. Our committee will review the questions and answer them on Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. We are going to provide a video opportunity where the questions we received initially will be answered. That will be broadcast 2 times on August 18, 2020. We are hoping for one during the day and one during the evening. We are hoping next Thursday, August 20, 2020 to do a WebEx Event where any new questions can be typed in through the events format. There will be no live opportunities to talk in an effort to eliminate someone dictating the agenda and compromising the questions and answers.

In regards to our health insurance we are now in a better place now that we switched. Our fund balance is much safer. Our penalty for a late payment in the month of July was waived. Penalties run 1% of the overall payment. This represented \$4800 for our district.

We were recently contacted by the Clinton County Director of Community Development about a solar project pilot in our district. It would be very similar to windmill arrangements in the past. It would be a positive for the district. An early guess is a possible 150K yearly for a period of time. We were also informed that there is a good potential for a 2<sup>nd</sup> project as well.

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus and seconded by Mr. Venne to accept the Schedules of Expenditures (Warrants) July 2020.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. DeCoste and seconded by Mr. Miner to accept the Treasurer's Report and Budget Status Report - June 2020 and July 2020.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Trombley, seconded by Mr. Bartlemus to approve fiscal year 2019-2020 budget transfers.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Miner and seconded by Mr. DeCoste to approve the CSE recommendations.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

Our Food Service Report stated that we ran a very limited Food Service Program for July and first week of August.

The Maintenance Report update stated that contractors have been working on the roof of the old Bus Garage. Next week we have AES coming on site to do a building condition survey which is mandated by State Ed.

There were no updates to the following:

Student Association Reports and Bank Reconciliation Reports  
Administrators  
NATA  
CSEA

The Board opened the meeting for public comment. There were no comments.

The next Board of Education meeting is Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus and seconded by Mr. Trombley to approve the revised District Calendar for 2020-2021.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus seconded by Mr. Miner to approve the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 School Tax Warrant.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Miner, seconded by Mr. Venne to approve Rob Witkiewicz as COVID-19 Resource Officer.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Finley, seconded by Mr. Venne to approve the following Appointments, Retirement and Resignation.

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Pay Rate</b>	<b>Comments</b>
A. Linda Frennier	FT Teacher Aide	District	August 4, 2020		Retirement
B. Kim Parrah	Permanent PT Teacher Aide	District	August 4, 2020		Resignation

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C. Gregory Manney	Long Term Substitute Teacher	Physical Education	August 12, 2020	\$90/day	
D. Kristen Patnode	Long Term Substitute Teacher	District	August 12, 2020	\$90/day	Pending fingerprint clearance
E. Taylor Durnin	Long Term Substitute Teacher	District	August 12, 2020	\$90/day	
F. Robert Witkiewicz	Athletic Director	District	July 1, 2020	Stipend at \$10,000	

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

The Board opened the meeting for public comment. There were no comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Bartlemus, seconded by Mr. Finley to enter into Executive Session at 6:55PM. 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 Mr. Finley seconded by Mr. Bartlemus, and passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session, at 7:45 PM.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. DeCoste , seconded by Mr. Trombley and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM.

All Board Members present voted yes – motion carried.

Helen Yelle, District Clerk  
 N.A.C.S. Board of Education