

**GORHAM-MIDDLESEX CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 13, 2022  
HS Library

Board Members Present: Sheila Brown, Cindy Hall, Phyllis Frantel, Cory Clark, Sue Campbell, Keri Link, John Foust, Jeff Allen and Chad Hunt

Administrators Present: Dr. Christopher Brown, Zoe Kolczynski, Sharene Benedict, Bonnie Cazer, Andrea Smith, Clay Cole, Erica Hasselstrom, Jenn Taft, Dan Blankenberg, Carla Woolston and LeeAnn Shipman

Administrators excused- Gil Jackson, Eric Pasho, Scott Robinson

There was a public hearing on the District Safety Plan from 6:02pm to 6:06pm.

Sheila Brown called the meeting to order 6:06pm.

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No comments.

Motion by Keri Link, seconded by Cory Clark to approve the following resolution.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Yes 9 No 0 MC

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the May 9, 2022 Regular Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Minutes of the May 17, 2022 Annual Meeting of the Voters were accepted as submitted.

Minutes of the May 24, 2022 Special Meeting were accepted as submitted.

**ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer's Report was accepted as submitted.

**ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS**

**Dr. Christopher Brown:**

There was a student and staff celebration for awards given throughout the school year, tenure recipients and retirees were also recognized.

Dr. Brown shared there will be a presentation on the next Capital Project at the July 11 board meeting. He thanked Keri, Jeff, Chad, Dan and Zoe for being on the committee.

Dr. Brown talked about how the students were excellent on Friday and it was wonderful to see all the end of year celebrations.

Dr. Brown shared about summer program. We have a great turn out for students participating in this. Dr. Brown thanked LeeAnn Shipman and Leslie Jones for all their hard work coordinating transportation as more students are added. Dr. Brown will be inviting the Board to visit.

Dr. Brown mentioned graduation is around the corner. He's going to miss the Seniors. He's starting to see some past graduates at school events, concerts, sporting events, etc.

Motion by Jeff Allen, seconded by Keri Link to approve the following resolutions.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Personnel Agenda:** In an effort to expedite the business of the Board of Education, but in no way meant to diminish the importance of each item, a Consent Agenda has been developed.

The following appointments are pending clearance of NYS fingerprinting requirements:

**Substitute Teachers:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Madolyn Ashley and Jordan Lahue** as a Substitute Teachers for the 2021-22 school year.

**Substitute Teaching Assistants:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Madlyn Jenkins and Jordan Lahue** as a Substitute Teaching Assistants for the 2021-22 school year.

**Substitute Teacher Aide:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Felicia Cotroneo** as a Substitute Teacher Aide for the 2021-22 school year.

**Substitute Cleaners:** Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent; the Board of Education of the Marcus Whitman Central School District does hereby approve the following listed as Substitute Cleaners for the summer:

Daniel	Nemitz	John	Jones
Marissa	Gross	Zachary	Jones
Lily	Metcalf	Nicholas	Schoeller
Tariku	Blueye	Jordan	Jensen
Melkamu	Blueye	Cameron	Robords
Christyan	Borsching	Grace	Beck
Kendall	Davis	Jared	Lee
Conner	Gorton	Nayalis	Echevarria
Stephen	Smith	Brianna	Hershey
Alyssa	Gorton		

**Substitute Food Service Helper:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Polyxeni Sakkali** as a Substitute Food Service Helper for the 2021-22 school year.

**Resignation Jean Savage:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement from **Jean Savage**, as Food Service Cook, effective July 27, 2022.

**Resignation-Darlene Snyder:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of **Darlene Snyder**, Food Service Helper, effective August 30, 2022.

**Resignation Amy Mangiarelli:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation from **Amy Mangiarelli**, as Food Service Cook, effective June 30, 2022.

**Resignation David Bedient:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of **David Bedient**, as Custodian,

effective May 31, 2022.

**Resignation Mary Ayers:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of **Mary Ayers**, as Teacher Aide, effective June 30, 2022.

**Resignation Custodian-Edgar Savage:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation from **Edgar Savage**, as Custodian, effective June 10, 2022.

**Amend Create Custodian Position:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby create one (1) 1.0 FTE Custodian civil service positions effective April 20, 2022.

**Create Groundskeeper Position:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby create one (1) 1.0 FTE Groundskeeper civil service positions effective June 13, 2022.

**Appoint Groundskeeper-Edgar Savage:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Edgar Savage** a permanent Civil Service appointment as Groundskeeper, at an hourly rate per contract, effective June 13, 2022 with a probationary period from June 13, 2022 to August 8, 2022.

**Appoint Automotive Mechanic-Adam Lightfoote:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Adam Lightfoote** a full time probationary Civil Service appointment as a Automotive Mechanic, at an hourly rate per contract, effective June 15, 2022 with a probationary period from June 15, 2022 through June 15, 2023.

**Appoint Groundskeeper-Jacob Faircloth:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Jacob Faircloth** a full time probationary Civil Service appointment as a Groundskeeper, at an hourly rate per contract, effective May 31, 2022 with a probationary period from May 31, 2022 through May 31, 2023.

**Resignation Cleaner-Amanda Lucas:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of **Amanda Lucas**, as Cleaner, effective June 10, 2022.

**Eliminate Cleaner Positions:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby eliminate two (2) 1.0 FTE Cleaner civil service positions effective June 10, 2022. Ashley Scarborough resigned (May agenda) and Amanda Lucas civil service positions.

**Create Custodian Positions:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby create two (2) 1.0 FTE Custodian civil service positions effective April 20, 2022.

**Appoint Provisional Custodian Amanda Lucas:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby grant **Amanda Lucas** a provisional Civil Service appointment as Custodian, upon successful completion of the Civil Service Custodial test at an hourly rate per contract, effective June 13, 2022 with a probationary period from June 13, 2022 to August 8, 2022.

**Create Social Worker position:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does

hereby create a 1.0 FTE Social Worker position effective May 1, 2022.

**Eliminate Senior Automotive Mechanic:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby eliminate 1.0 FTE Senior Automotive Mechanic civil service position effective January 1, 2022..

**Create Automotive Mechanic Position:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby create 1.0 FTE Automotive Mechanic civil service position effective June 1, 2022.

**Approve Unpaid Leave of Absence Request-Zachary Crooks:** Be it resolved that upon the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the unpaid leave request from **Zachary Crooks**, Teacher Aide from May 25, 2022 to June 12, 2022.

**Approve Unpaid Leave of Absence Request-Charles Brayton Gladle:** Be it resolved that upon the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the unpaid leave request from **Charles Brayton Gladle**, Cleaner from June 9, 2022 to June 17, 2022.

**Summer Computer Aides:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve temporary appointment of **Sydney Davis and Karen Sexton** at \$13.40 per hour as Summer Computer Aides effective July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022.

**Summer Program:** *Pulled from consent agenda.*

**Special Education:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School does hereby approve **Emily Joslyn**, Chairperson Committee on Pres-School Special Education for the 2021-22 school year.

**Mentors:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint the following mentors for the 2021-22 school year:

Mentor	New Teacher	Year
Dave Helling	John Kaseman	1

**Volunteers:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the submitted list of volunteers for the 2021-22 school year.

**Donation:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does accept the donation from **Elementary PTO** donating variety of clothing: pants, sneakers, etc. for elementary students throughout the 2021-22 school year.

**Technology Coach Appointments:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint the following as Technology Coaches for the 2022-23 school year:

**Kaysie Gormel      Delana Hey**  
**Bailey Colonna      Jonathan Pragle**  
**Amanda Cooney      Samantha Wolf**

**Caitlin Foley      Kelly Karszes (sub)**  
**Jason Green**

**Resignation Cindy Champlin:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of **Cindy Champlin**, as Teaching Assistant, effective August 31, 2022.

**Resignation-Christopher Clark:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of **Christopher Clark**, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.

**Accept Career Leave of Absence-Morgan Drake:** Be it resolved that upon the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the unpaid Career Leave of Absence request from **Morgan Drake**, School Counselor from August 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

**Twenty-Five Year Recognition-Gil Jackson:** The Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby acknowledge that **Gil Jackson** has twenty-five years employment with the district. Gil is granted the stipend per MW Administrators Association contract.

**Approve Stipend-Erica Hasselstrom:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve **Erica Hasselstrom**, to receive a 2021-22 stipend of \$12,000 to administrate and oversee Federal Grants for the 2021-22 school year.

**Appoint Tutor-Karla Santoro:** *Pulled from consent agenda.*

**Approval of Combined Football Team:** Marcus Whitman Central School District and Bloomfield Central School District as a Combined Modified Program and Combined Varsity Football Program.

**Set Meeting Dates:** Be it resolved that pursuant to Education Law the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby set the following dates for regular meetings during the 2022-2023 School Year:

July 11, 2022	6pm
August 15, 2022	6pm
September 12, 2022	6:30pm
October 11, 2022	6:30pm <i>Tuesday</i>
November 14, 2022	6:30pm
December 12, 2022	6:30pm
January 9, 2023	6:30pm
February 13, 2023	6:30pm
March 13, 2023	6:30pm
April 10, 2023	6:30pm
May 8, 2023	6:30pm
June 12, 2023	6:30pm

**Accept Memorandum of Agreement:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Marcus Whitman Central School District does hereby approve a memorandum of agreement with the Marcus Whitman Teachers' Association regarding **Dept. Chairperson for Counselors**.

**Amend Department Chairpersons:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the following people as department chairpersons for the 2022-23 school year:

Department Chairperson	Name
Dept. Chairperson for Counselors UPK-5	<b>Kerri Mitchell-DePorter</b>
Dept. Chairperson for Counselors 6-12	<b>Jennifer Twomey</b>

**Approve Amended Contract with the Marcus Whitman Administrators Association:** *Pulled from consent agenda.*

**Approve Individual Agreements:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the addendum to Employment Agreements for the Managerial and Confidential Employees as submitted for the 2022-23.

**Accept Teacher of Visually Impaired Service Agreement-Michelle Diehl:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept the Teacher of the Visually Impaired Service Agreement with **Michelle Diehl** effective July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

**Accept Occupational Therapy Service Agreement-Clinical Associates of the Finger Lakes:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby accept **Clinical Associates of the Finger Lakers Service Agreement** effective May 16, 2022 to June 24, 2022.

**MW Draft SEQR for ESSER Projects-Gorham Playground:**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Marcus Whitman Central School District ("the Board") has

considered the effect upon the environment of the proposed ESSER Funds Phase 1 with the following Scope of Work to be completed:

Provide an ADA accessible paved path to an updated playground and outdoor paved play area. Work also includes providing new play equipment and drainage improvements adjacent to the existing play areas. ("Proposed Action")

**WHEREAS**, the Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its Architects with respect to the potential for environmental impact resulting from the proposed action, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type 1 and Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR part 617.0, now therefore;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education as follows:

- 1) The Proposed Action does not exceed Type 1 thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review Act, ("SEQRA").
- 2) The Board hereby determines the Proposed Action as a **Unlisted** action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.
- 3) A short form EAF has been completed by the architect and site engineer.
- 4) Based on the EAF above, there is no significant environmental impact from the proposed action.
- 5) The Board of Education is established as the lead agency.
- 6) The proposed action is determined to have a negative declaration
- 7) No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.

8) This resolution shall be effective immediately.

**Recommendations of End of Year Reserves:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Audit Committee, recommends to the Board of Education that the following anticipated funds be approved: The Audit Committee recommends to the Board of Education that the following anticipated funds be approved: \$ 1,049,760 to fund the Capital Reserve- Building Project, \$ 300,000 to fund the Retirement Contribution Reserve, \$199,800 (*max. amount allowed*) to the Retirement Contribution TRS sub fund, \$ 400,000 to the Capital Reserve –Bus Purchases and that any remaining fund balance is placed in Workers Compensation Reserve, at the June 13, 2022 meeting.

**Accept The Budget Transfers:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Audit Committee, recommends to the Board of Education to accept budget transfers over \$10,000 and that the Budget Transfers over \$10,000.

**Amend 2022-23 District Calendar:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby adopt the amended 2022-2023 School District Calendar as submitted.

**CSE & CPSE Recommendations:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby approve the CSE/CPSE recommendations as submitted and filed in the minute file.  
Yes 9 No 0 MC

Motion by Chad Hunt, seconded by Sue Campbell to approve the following resolution.  
**Summer Program: *Pulled*** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **David Bradshaw and Melanie Hunt**, Lifeguards at \$33 per hour, **Gabe Johnson and Abigail Aaron** \$15 per hour and **Felicia Cotroneo**, Teacher Aide per diem rate for Summer Program.  
Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 1 (Chad Hunt) MC

Motion by Cory Clark, seconded by Keri Link to approve the following resolution.  
**Appoint Tutor-Karla Santoro:** Be it resolved that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the Gorham-Middlesex Central School District does hereby appoint **Karla Santoro**, tutor for the 2021-22 school year.  
Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 1 (Cindy Hall) MC

Motion by Jeff Allen, seconded by Cory Clark to approve the following resolution.  
**Approve Amended Contract with the Marcus Whitman Administrators Association:**  
**Whereas:** the Superintendent and the Marcus Whitman Administrators' Association have been negotiating the terms of a successor collective bargaining agreement; and  
**Whereas:** on April 7, 2022 the Superintendent and the Association have entered into a Tentative Agreement covering terms and conditions of employment for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026; and  
**Whereas:** the Association has ratified the terms and conditions of employment in this successor Agreement on May 4, 2022; and  
**Whereas:** the Superintendent affirmatively recommends that the Board of Education take up this Tentative Agreement and that the Board approve the necessary funds for the implementation of the successor Agreement;  
**Now, Therefore,** it is Resolved: That upon the affirmative recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve this successor 2022-2026 Agreement and, further that the Board approves the necessary funding for this Agreement.  
**Further,** the Board authorizes the Superintendent to sign the Agreement to so signify its approval.  
Yes 8 No 1 (Phyllis Frantel) MC

#### **PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE BOARD**

**Karen Shoemaker, Stanley:** Mrs. Shoemaker really enjoyed the Pirate fifth grade musical. The

High School Chorus was amazing and also the jazz band. Mr. Bond is doing a wonderful job and the students look like their having fun. Mrs. Shoemaker thanked the Board for all they do and wished everyone a good summer.

**Mabel Deal, Stanley:** Mrs. Deal thanked everyone for all the work you have done this year and the work you are doing now. There are people in the community realizing all your efforts.

**BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:**

*Dr. Brown thanked Keri for her board service. She was on the committee that hired him. Dr. Brown appreciated her character, integrity, and provided an opinion that lead to quality decision.*

*Mrs. Brown first worked with Keri at the Middle School starting Parent Teacher Organization. She thanked Keri for her service on the board. Recognized her commitment to being on the Board after her son graduation.*

1. Audit Committee Minutes May 24
2. Graduation June 24 8pm-Board will let Sharene know who is attending
3. Buildings and Grounds Meeting Minutes-Chad mentioned this was Keri's last buildings and grounds meeting. It was a good meeting with great decisions and a good project to present at the July meeting and have the community decide.
4. Next Audit Committee Meeting June 22 5pm-canceled (There will be budget transfers on the July agenda)
5. Audit Committee Community Volunteers: Keri Link, Jim Loomis and Shawn Szabo
6. Board President and Vice-President-Sheila and Cindy are interested in continuing this role if there are others interested please let Sharene know.
7. Re-org meeting July 11 6pm.
8. Board Retreat: Tuesday, July 19 4:30-7pm or after July 11 meeting-after the meeting works best for the Board and Superintendent

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Jeff Allen, seconded by John Foust at 7:13pm for the Board to enter in executive session to discuss the employment history of particular people.

Dr. Brown was excused from executive session at 7:30pm

Dr. Brown entered executive session at 7:56pm

Motion by Jeff Allen, seconded by Phyllis Frantel to adjourn the meeting at 9:23pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Sharene Benedict*

Sharene Benedict

District Clerk