

Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Suffield High School Media Center  
May 15, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m.

Present: Board members Josh Barrows, Tracy Cloyd, Jamie Drzyzga, Melissa Finnigan, Brian Fry, Glenn Gazdik (via Zoom), James Mol and Maureen Sattan; and Superintendent Timothy Van Tassel

Absent: Terry Antrum

Executive Session

Board member Tracy Cloyd moved to go into executive session for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the Assistant Principal position at A. Ward Spaulding School, inviting in Superintendent Van Tassel and the Spaulding Principal, Gina Olearczyk. Board member Melissa Finnigan seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. The motion carried **8-0-0**.

Mrs. Olearczyk left the executive meeting at 8:15 p.m. The executive session concluded at 8:45 p.m. The Board went into recess at 8:47 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Discussion/Action Items

- Discussion and Possible Action on the appointment of A. Ward Spaulding School Assistant Principal

**MOTION #22-123:** James Mol moved to appoint Christina Kupec to the position of Assistant Principal of A. Ward Spaulding School and authorized the Superintendent to complete the terms of employment. Melissa Finnigan seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion carried **8-0-0**. Board Chair Sattan shared the Board's excitement in Mrs. Kupec's appointment and appreciation for all that applied to the position. We look forward to Assistant Principal Kupec's leadership in the upcoming school year.

Discussion/Action Items

- Discussion and Possible Approval of the SHS Music Department Field Trip Request  
Suffield High School Music Department submitted a field trip request form to travel to Orlando, Florida. The field trip is planned for April 11 – 15, 2024.

**MOTION #22-124:** Melissa Finnigan moved to approve the SHS Music Department Field Trip Request as presented. James Mol seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The motion passed **8-0-0**.

Adjournment

Tracy Cloyd moved, Jamie Drzyzga seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. All members voted in favor.

*Minutes are subject to approval at the regular meeting of June 5, 2023.*

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Drzyzga  
Secretary