

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District was called to order by the President, at 6:00 p.m. in the Middle/High School Chorus Room.

Members present: Chris Richter, Jamie Fitch, Liz Dietrich, John Bickford, Mike Balonek, and Arnie Rychlicki

Members absent: Liz Doll

Others present: Robert Molisani, Superintendent; Jeremy Nardone, Business Administrator; Rebekah Chenaille, MH Principal; Michele Meyer, Elementary Principal; Megan Rogers, Director of Pupil Services, and Susan Voos, District Clerk.

I. CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR COUNTRY'S FLAG

III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Balonek, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes 10/10/2023
2. General Fund Warrants #19, 20, 22, 24 (65783-66026)
3. School Lunch Fund Warrant #5 &7 (106544-106559)
4. Capital Fund Warrant #5(2596)
5. District Treasurer’s Report – July, August, September & October 2023
6. Extra Classroom Treasurer’s Report – September 2023
7. CSE Recommendations:

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

V. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence - Points of Pride

Mr. Richter explained that Savvy Raiders is a monthly student recognition program that celebrates the ideal qualities strived for in Champions; Respectful, Organized, Confident, All-In, and Prioritize Self-Care. Students are nominated by teachers and the monthly selections are made by the Student Leadership subcommittee. Mr. Richter announced the recipients of October’s Savvy Raiders and Mr. Fitch pointed out the Save the Date for the Elementary musical, “How to Eat like a Child”. Performances are on December 8th and 9th. He also thanked the director for their time and dedication. Mr. Balonek reported that the annual Trunk or Treat was once again a great success and he congratulated this year’s National Honor Society Inductees. Several other points of pride were announced as well.

2. Guests of the Board - Electric Buses Presentation– Greg Barr from Hunt Engineers presented the laws, budget summary, and the requirements and basic steps of compliance in moving forward to electric buses by the year 2035.

- Financial Literacy Presentation–Angela Grouse and Michele Meyer spoke of bringing back Junior Achievement in grades K-5. Junior Achievement inspires and prepares our young students for a successful future by focusing on age appropriate lessons targeted on financial literacy, work and career readiness, and Entrepreneurship.

3. Public Forum

VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Honor and High Honor Roll – Mr. Molisani was happy to report that the first marking period honor roll lists were out, and that 4 out of 5 students had made the honor or high honor roll list.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Adoption of the 2024-2025 School Budget Calendar

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the 2024-2025 Budget Calendar as attached.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Adjustment of Tax Bill

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, reduce the following tax bill due to clerical errors by the Town of Wheatland:

198.01-1-17.3

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

2. Appointment of Director of Physical Education

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Robert Molisani as the Director of Physical Education for the 2023-2024 school year.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

3. Election Inspector Rates

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the election inspector rates for the 2025-2026 Capital Project vote on December 5, 2023.

Head Election Inspector: \$23.00/hr.

Election Inspector: \$17.00/hr.

Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstain 1, motion carried

4. Textbook Adoption

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Textbook Committee approve the adoption of the Just Mercy book, written by Brian Stevenson.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 7:33 PM to discuss the employment and employee history of particular persons.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

IX. PERSONNEL

1 Appointment of Special Education Teacher

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Tamara Hume, to the probationary appointment of 1.0 Special Education tenure position effective November 20, 2023, through November 19, 2027. The appointee holds initial certification in Students with Disabilities all Grades, Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6, and Literacy & GED instructor.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

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2. Appointment of Elementary School Counselor

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Carly Scott, to the probationary appointment of 1.0 Elementary School Counselor tenure position effective December 7, 2023, through December 6, 2027, pending NYS certification approval.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

3. Appointment of Mentors

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint the following as Mentor for the 2023-24 school year.

Mentor

Mentee

Jessica McKay
Wendy Bulter
Sarah Curran
Kristi Williams
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

Spencer Flint
Tamara Hume
Carly Scott
Amanda Yanik

4. Appointment of Coach

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the updated Coaching staff for the 2023-24 school year per attachment.
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

5. Appointment of Bus Driver

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Amanda Swartzenberg to a probationary full-time civil service position of regular bus driver effective October 20, 2023, through October 19, 2024.
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

6. Approval of Teacher Substitutes

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following teacher substitutes, pending fingerprint clearance, for the 2023-24 school year.

Jenna LaMere	Thomas Murdock (pending)
Joe Sarratori	Jackie Horr
Adam O'Donaghue	Katherine Nicoll
Autumn DeMarco (pending)	

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

7. Approval of Substitute Bus Driver

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Janet Byron as a substitute bus driver for the 2023-2024 school year.
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

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8. Approval of Peer Tutoring Students

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following peer tutoring students for the 2023-24 school year.

Braeden Fonte	Briana Lynn	Lily Clement
Juliana Scott	Tabitha Cole	Joslyn Curtis
Kaelyn Jake	Julia Wasilco	Ryann Murdock

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

9. Approval of Leave of Absence

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve a leave of absence for employee #316 on or about December 21, 2023, through on or about February 1, 2024.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

10. Approval of Leave of Absence

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve a leave of absence, for employee #911 on or about October 26, 2023, through on or about January 26, 2024.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

11. Approval of Leave of Absence

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve a leave of absence for employee #120 on or about November 30, 2023, through on or about January 4, 2024.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

12. Approval of School-to-Work students

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following School-to-Work students for the 2023-24 school year.

Rachel Barrett - Library, Block 5, B days

Tori Cobb - Kitchen, 11:15-12:00, B days

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

13. Approval of Newsletter Stipend

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Bickford that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Newsletter stipend for Susan Hayes, effective January 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education return to regular session at 8:27 PM.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting of November 14, 2023, at 8:32PM.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

Susan J. Voos, District Clerk