

Ballston Spa Central School District
Board of Education Meeting
January 3, 2024
7:00 p.m.

Agenda #16
Regular Meeting

Library
High School

1. Call to Order
2. Recognition
3. Student Government
4. Public Comment
5. Approval of Minutes
 - a. December 6, 2023
 - b. December 20, 2023
6. Superintendent's Report
 - a. 2023-2024 District Goals Update
7. Committee Reports
8. Correspondence
9. Announcements
10. Old Business
11. New Business
 - a. Property Tax Exemption
 - b. Acceptance of Donation
 - c. Award of Bid
 - d. Placement of Students with Disabilities
 - e. Personnel Actions
 - f. Other new business
12. Public Comment
13. BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, and PTA
14. Adjournment

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Resolution #349 - Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers Property Tax Exemption

WHEREAS, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a, the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District desires to offer a school tax exemption on the primary residence of eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers residing within the school district and who have served a minimum of two years; and WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this matter on January 3, 2024; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby adopts the Property Tax Exemption for eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers, permitting residential property exemptions of 10 percent for eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers residing within the School District and who have served a minimum of two years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a, the Board of Education shall provide a lifetime property tax exemption of 10 percent on the primary residence of eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers with twenty (20) years of service within the school district and who maintain their primary residence within the same school district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education shall provide a property tax exemption of 10 percent to eligible un-remarried spouses of deceased eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers, subject to the requirements of Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education shall provide a property tax exemption of 10 percent to eligible un-remarried spouses of deceased eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers who died in the line of duty, subject to the requirements of Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this local law shall be effective immediately, available to eligible volunteer firefighter and ambulance workers for the 2024-2025 school year and shall continue until rescinded or amended by resolution of the Board of Education.

Resolution #350 - Acceptance of Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that Hannaford Helps donation for the Ballston Spa Middle School, in the amount of \$1,306, be and is hereby accepted.

Resolution #351 - Award of Bid –Transportation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to award the bid for Transportation for the 2023-2024 school year to the following vendors, be and is hereby approved:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Daily Rate</u>
Durrin, Inc.	Amsterdam AM only	\$158

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Resolution #352 - Placement of Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Special Education, effective January 3, 2024, be and are hereby approved:

Student #278680	Student #273883	Student #24626
Student #279181	Student #279530	Student #25043
Student #271396	Student #280166	Student #278349
Student #271953	Student #277573	Student #24470
Student #278991	Student #277656	Student #278497
Student #277590	Student #272229	Student #272988
Student #275182	Student #277039	Student #271818
Student #280126	Student #25075	Student #25539
Student #278049	Student #273348	Student #278449
Student #276345	Student #278219	Student #279691
Student #277074	Student #279772	Student #274924
Student #274071	Student #25731	Student #276057
Student #25602	Student #273520	Student #273085
Student #277757	Student #276678	Student #25541
Student #275929	Student #24009	

Resolution #353 - Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Preschool Special Education, effective January 3, 2024, be and are hereby approved:

Student #279247	Student #280246	Student #280243
Student #279910	Student #280244	Student #279865

Resolutions #354 - #363 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #354 - Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of the employee(s) listed below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
McKenna Cooper	Special Education Aide	1/03/24
Ronald DeLap	Bus Driver	1/17/24
Deborah Jourdanais	Teaching Assistant	1/12/24
Sean Ohnsman	Teaching Assistant	1/05/24
Linda Parker	School Aide	1/05/24

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Resolution #355 - Addendum – Employment Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the addendum to the contract agreement(s) for the following person(s), be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Matthew Mazure	Lead Driver	1/01/24-6/30/24
Ronald Shultes, Jr.	Lead Driver	1/01/24-6/30/24

Resolution #356 - Appointment – Instructional

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective dates shown contingent upon meeting all of the requirements of Education Law Sections 3012, 3012-c or 3012-d, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Joelle Guerrero	School Counselor	NYS Permanent, School Counselor	\$60,313/yr. Step 8+60 (pro-rated)	2/05/24-2/04/27

Resolution #357 - Appointment – Instructional Long-Term Substitute

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to instructional position(s) as indicated below, with salary and effective dates shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name / Position</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary / Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Shannon James/Teacher	NYS Permanent, Biology 7-12	\$56,643/yr. Step 6+30 (pro-rated)	1/24/24-6/30/24

Resolution #358 - Appointment – Teaching Assistant

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
McKenna Cooper	Teaching Assistant	Teaching Assistant Level 1	\$22,325/yr. Step 1 (pro-rated)	1/04/24-1/03/28

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Resolution #359 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted appointment to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with hours, rate and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max. Hrs./ Wk.</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Lyndia Ramsey	Special Education Aide	32.5	\$19.05/hr.	1/05/24-1/04/25
Ashley VanEtten	School Aide	37.5	\$16.54/hr.	1/04/24-1/03/25

Resolution #360 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2023-2024 school year, with hours and rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs./Wk.</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Lourdes Bautista	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$16.85/hr.
Thomas Cleland II	Driver In Training	40	\$20.60/hr.
Robert Loehle	Driver In Training	40	\$20.60/hr.
Julie Meisner	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$16.85/hr.
Donald Myers	Relief Driver	40	\$21.63/hr.

Resolution #361 - Appointment – Increase in Hours – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted an increase in hours to the position(s) indicated below with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs./Wk.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kristin Hunter	Bus Driver	30	1/04/23
Krystina Minett	Bus Attendant	27.5	1/04/23
Katie Pieniazek	Bus Attendant	27.5	1/04/23

Resolution #362 - Appointment – Tutor

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the Tutor position for the 2023-2024 school year, with rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Kaitlin Ahl	NYS Professional, Speech and Language Disabilities	\$44.22/hr.
Jerri Vroman	NYS Permanent, Pre K-6	\$44.22/hr.

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Resolution #363 - Appointment - Interscholastic Sports Coaches

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the coaching position(s) indicated below for the 2023-2024 school year, with stipend shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Joseph McClements	Modified Track	\$3,780