

Ballston Spa Central School District

Board of Education

Regular Meeting March 20, 2024

Location: High School Library

Time: 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Recognition
3. Public Comment
4. Student Government Report
5. Approval of Minutes
 - a. March 6, 2024 Regular Meeting
6. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Professional Development Committee Update
 - b. 2024-2025 Budget Review
7. Committee Reports
8. Correspondence
9. Announcements
10. Old Business
11. New Business
 - a. Adoption of 2024-2025 District Calendar
 - b. Board of Education Policy Manual File
 - c. Appointment of Election Officers
 - d. SEQRA
 - e. Annual Vote Propositions
 - f. Agreements
 - g. Award of Bid
 - h. Placement of Students with Disabilities
 - i. Personnel Actions
 - j. Other new business
12. Public Comment
13. BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, and PTA
14. Adjournment

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Resolution #443 - Adoption 2024-2025 District Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the District calendar for the 2024-2025 school year be adopted, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #444 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 7351 Limited Authorized Use of Physical Restraints

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 7351 Limited Authorized Use of Physical Restraints, having been tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #445 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 7619 Time Out Rooms

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 7619 Time Out Rooms, having been tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #446 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 6123 – Workplace Violence Prevention

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 6123 Workplace Violence Prevention, be approved and tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #447 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 8330 – Objection to Instructional and Library Materials

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 8330 Objection to Instructional and Library Materials, be approved and tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #448 - Appointment of Chairperson, Chief Inspectors and Election Inspectors

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the persons listed below be appointed as election officers for the May 21, 2024 annual budget vote, are hereby approved:

Election Inspectors:

Marcy Melander
Marian Pitsas
Ann Riccitelli

Resolution #449 - State Environmental Quality Review (SEQRA)

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District (“Board”) is considering to undertake a project involving replacing two existing bus lifts at the Transportation Facility at 1458 Saratoga Road, Ballston Spa, NY all of which is in existing space and involves no construction of additions or expansion of existing site facilities (“the Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to fully comply with its obligations under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the regulations thereunder with respect to the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has consulted with its Architects and Engineers with respect to the potential for environmental impacts resulting from the Proposed Action and reviewed the completed Short Environmental Assessment Form showing no significant adverse environmental impacts from this Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in the SEQRA Regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 and has determined that the Proposed Action is a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(1), (2) and/or (8) of the SEQRA Regulations;

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the nature and scope of the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the foregoing, the Board makes the following determinations:

1. The proposed action involves replacing two existing bus lifts at the Transportation Facility at 1458 Saratoga Road, Ballston Spa, NY, all of which is in existing space and involves no construction of additions or expansion of existing site facilities (“the Project”)

2. The proposed Project represents maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing facility or structure within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1); and/or alternatively the replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility in kind within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(2); and/or alternatively a routine activity of an educational institution, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area, within the meaning of 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(8).

3. The proposed action will in no case have a significant adverse impact based on the environment based on the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c), and is not otherwise a Type I action as defined by 6 NYCRR § 617.4.

4. The proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5 and is therefore not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5 and therefore is not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

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Resolution #450 - Purchase of School Vehicles Bond Proposition

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York, as follows:

Section 1. At the Annual District Meeting and Election of the qualified voters of Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York (the “District”), to be held on May 21, 2024, a Proposition in substantially the form as hereinafter set forth shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said District. Said Proposition shall appear in the Notice of Annual District Meeting and Election to be held May 21, 2024, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include such Proposition in said Notice by inserting therein substantially the following paragraphs:

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Proposition in substantially the following form shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election:

SCHOOL VEHICLE BOND PROPOSITION

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York (the “District”) is hereby authorized and directed to: (a) purchase various school buses and vehicles, at a maximum cost of \$1,075,000 (b) expend such sum for such purpose, (c) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 416 of the Education Law, and (d) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$1,075,000, and levy a tax to pay the interest and principal on said obligations when due

Section 2. Such Proposition shall appear on the ballots used for voting at said Annual District Meeting and Election in substantially the foregoing forms.

Section 3. The proceeds of the bonds authorized pursuant to the Proposition set forth in Section 1 hereof, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the District for expenditures made for the purpose or purposes for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution #451 - Bus Lift Replacement Proposition

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York, as follows:

Section 1. At the Annual District Meeting and Election of the qualified voters of Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York (the “District”), to be held on May 21, 2024, a

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Proposition in substantially the form as hereinafter set forth shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said District. Said Proposition shall appear in the Notice of Annual District Meeting and Election to be held May 21, 2024, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include such Proposition in said Notice by inserting therein substantially the following paragraphs:

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Proposition in substantially the following form shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election:

BUS LIFT BOND PROPOSITION

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to replace two bus lifts; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$595,000; (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$595,000 to pay such cost, said tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$595,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 2. Such Proposition shall appear on the ballots used for voting at said Annual District Meeting and Election in substantially the foregoing forms.

Section 3. The proceeds of the bonds authorized pursuant to the Proposition set forth in Section 1 hereof, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the District for expenditures made for the purpose or purposes for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution #452 - Ballston Spa Public Library Proposition

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York, as follows:

Section 1. At the Annual District Meeting and Election of the qualified voters of Ballston Spa Central School District, in the County of Saratoga, New York (the "District"), to be held on May 21, 2024, a Proposition in substantially the form as hereinafter set forth shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said District. Said Proposition shall appear in the Notice of Annual District Meeting and Election to be held May 21, 2024, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include such Proposition in said Notice by inserting therein substantially the following paragraphs:

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Proposition in substantially the following form shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election:

BALLSTON SPA PUBIC LIBRARY

RESOLVED:

SHALL an annual appropriation of \$63,344 separate and apart from the Ballston Spa Central School District annual school district budget, be approved to support and maintain the Ballston Spa Public Library, which sum shall be raised annually by a tax upon the taxable property of the school district, and which appropriation shall be the annual appropriation for the library until changed by further vote of the electors of the school district, and such tax shall be levied and collected yearly as are other general taxes and paid over to the Library Trustees?

Section 2. Such Proposition shall appear on the ballots used for voting at said Annual District Meeting and Election in substantially the foregoing forms.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution #453 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, hereby approves the agreement between CSArch and the District to provide Architectural and Engineering Services, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #454 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, hereby approves the agreement between Chelsea Place Psychological and the District to provide Psychiatric Evaluations by a Nurse Practitioner, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #455 - Award of Bid – Safety and Security Film

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the bid for Safety and Security Film with Installation for the 2023-2024 school year be awarded as follows, be and is hereby approved:

Vendor

New England Security Film LLC
123 Bluebird Road
Moreau, NY 12828

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Resolution #456 - 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 March 20, 2024, be and are hereby approved:

Student #271562	Student #278506	Student #277856
Student #278194	Student #275752	Student #275407
Student #273883	Student #279319	Student #276180
Student #276768	Student #278991	Student #280052
Student #278483	Student #273270	Student #277092
Student #275102	Student #278805	Student #277004
Student #275754	Student #272548	Student #278567
Student #280280	Student #272487	Student #276251
Student #276533	Student #280376	Student #277895
Student #25573	Student #277512	Student #272976
Student #279973	Student #280343	Student #278754
Student #280127	Student #277073	Student #275396
Student #276799	Student #276575	Student #272441
Student #279753	Student #279750	Student #279271
Student #275275	Student #277930	Student #277774
Student #275764	Student #277092	Student #277958
Student #279068	Student #277724	Student #277733
Student #276533	Student #279636	Student #274540
Student #274417	Student #278498	Student #279274
Student #277492	Student #277493	Student #277799
Student #279823	Student #280127	Student #277570
Student #277073	Student #278853	Student #277340
Student #277773	Student #276790	

Resolution #457 - 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 March 20, 2024, be and are hereby approved:

Student #279281	Student #279756	Student #279316
Student #280345	Student #279929	Student #280277
Student #280319	Student #278745	

Resolutions #458 - #465 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

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Resolution #458 - 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>
Karen Almy	Bus Driver	3/11/24
Nicollette Andrews	Senior Clerk	3/13/24
Sarah Kinney	Receptionist	3/28/24

Resolution #459 - Rescission of Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the appointment of Armando Rodriguez, previously approved by the Board at their meeting held March 6, 2024, in Resolution #436, is hereby rescinded, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #460 - Approval – Individual Employment Agreement

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Jason LaMora	Director of Technology	8/08/23-6/30/24

Resolution #461 - Amendment – Appointment Instructional

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) previously approved appointment on August 18, 2021 in Resolution #139 be amended and 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>
Jennifer Tomaso	Elementary Education	NYS Permanent, Pre K-6	\$87,107/yr. Step19M	9/01/21-8/31/24

Resolution #462 - Permanent Appointment

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Patricia Langdon	School Aide	4/06/24

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Resolution #463 - 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>	
Catherine Bullock	Special Education Aide	32.5	\$19.05/hr.	3/18/24-3/17/25
Virginia Edwards	Cleaner	20	\$19.57/hr.	3/21/24-3/20/25
Sarah Kinney	Administrative Aide	37.5	\$27.03/hr.	4/08/24-4/07/25
Jennifer Pushee	School Aide	37.5	\$16.54/hr.	3/21/24-3/20/25

Resolution #464 - 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>
Karen Almy	Substitute Bus Driver	30	\$23.57/hr.
Michelle Pickering	Student Lifeguard	30	\$16.00/hr.
Abigail Ryan	Student Lifeguard	30	\$16.00/hr.

Resolution #465 - Appointment Interscholastic Sports Coach Volunteers

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>
Rebecca Gearwar	Softball Coach	n/a