

Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday, November 1, 2023
High School Library
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Holly Barker-Flynn
Matthew Dreher
Jason Fernau
Dr. Julia Routbort Baskin
Lawrence Ryan
Timothy Turbiak
Katie Whittemore

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Gianleo Duca, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Jason Fernau called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION BY, Timothy Turbiak seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the employment of a particular person at 7:02 pm, to return to the regular meeting.

Ayes all

Jason Fernau called the meeting back to order at 7:06 p.m.

RECOGNITION

Dr. Duca recognized Tina De Fabio for earning the Educator of Excellence Award. Johnna Larkin, High School Instructional Teacher Leader shared her rationale for recommending Ms. DeFabio for this award. She shared information regarding the award.

Mr. Fernau congratulated Ms. DeFabio on behalf of the Board.

Dr. Duca thanked Mr. Stephen Hill, for an excellent presentation to students on sobriety. He also thanked Supervisor Ostrander and Supervisor Barrett for their support in bringing this presentation to the student body.

Dr. Duca stated Fall sports are ending. Dr. Duca stated Mr. Sunkes will be at a future meeting to recognize athletes. He congratulated the Fall teams and shared some statistical information.

Dr. Duca thanked the Professional Development Committee, and staff responsible for their work on the Superintendent's Conference Day. He shared information on the day's offerings.

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Lawrence Ryan thanked staff for their excellent presentations during the Superintendent's Day. He encouraged other Board members to attend when possible.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Student Government thanked all for supporting the Homecoming events, shared Scotties Closet and Community Resource Fair information, reminded everyone of the upcoming Robotics Rumble event, and wished best of luck to teams with upcoming games.

Student Government then shared information on the annual Thanksgiving food drive and shared what each group within the school community will be donating.

Student Government shared that Stephen Hill, a recovering addict, presented to Juniors and Seniors and they reported it had been a great presentation, and thanked Supervisor Ostrander, Supervisor Barrett and Mrs. Perrone.

Student Government shared that Science Olympiad are selling goodies at the Volleyball game this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sybil Newell, Ballston Spa, urged the Board to revisit the requirements for Physical Education requirements for Varsity athletes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY, Timothy Turbiak seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve the October 18, 2023 regular meeting minutes

Ayes all

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Duca shared an update regarding transportation challenges. He acknowledged the difficulties and shared the District's efforts in recruiting staff and supporting parents and care givers. He stated this is a problem for Districts across the region and state.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Duca reported 15 correspondences with the District. He shared the topics of each.

Mr. Fernau reported 3 correspondences with to the Board. He shared the topics of each.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stuart Williams announced the FIRST Robotics Robot Rumble will be on Saturday, November 4th at the High School, along with the Community Resource Fair and Scotties Closet at the Middle School.

Mr. Williams announced that Malta Avenue is hosting Super Science Saturday on November 4th, announced ECHS Student Project Exhibition would be on November 8th at TEC-SMART, announced the Emergency Release Day is on November 9th, and students will be dismissed 15 minutes early.

Mr. Williams announced the Parents as Partners Webinar Series # 3 would be on November 9th, that there would be no school on November 10th in observance of Veterans Day, that Winter sports will begin on November 13th and the next BOE meeting will be on November 15th.

Mr. Fernau reiterated for everyone to support the Community Resource Fair and the Scotties Closet events.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #257 - Budget Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the Board of Education approve the budget calendar delineating the activities for the preparation of the 2024-2025 school year budget.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #257 – Budget Calendar

Discussion

Mr. Fernau explained the budget calendar.

Ayes all

Resolution #258 - Budget Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Budget Transfers, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #258 – Budget Transfers

Ayes all

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Resolution #259 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 7513 – Administration of Medicine

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 7513 Administration of Medicine, be approved and tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #259 – Board of Education Policy Manual File 7513 – Administration of Medicine tabled for 28-day period.

Ayes all

Resolution #260 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 7521 – Students with Life-Threatening Health Conditions

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 7521 Students with Life-Threatening Health Conditions, be approved and tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #260 – Board of Education Policy Manual File 7521 – Students with Life Threating Health Conditions tabled for 28-day period.

Ayes all

Resolution #261 - Award of Bid –Paper

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

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>Amount</u>
WB Mason	\$68,394.84

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #261 – Award of Bid - Paper

Ayes all

Resolution #262 - Field Trip- Boys Basketball

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the Boys Varsity and JV Basketball teams to travel to Auburn, NY, December 8-9, 2023, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #262 – Field Trip – Boys Basketball

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Mr. Fernau thanked staff, parents, and care givers.

Ayes all

Resolution #263 - Field Trip- Varsity Ice Hockey

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the Varsity Ice Hockey team to travel to Potsdam, NY, December 8-9, 2023, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #263 – Field Trip – Varsity Ice Hockey

Discussion

Mr. Fernau thanked all the supporters for making it possible.

Ayes all

Resolution #264 - Field Trip- Varsity Ice Hockey

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the Varsity Ice Hockey team to travel to Oswego, NY, January 27-28, 2024, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #264 – Varsity Ice Hockey

Ayes all

Resolution #265 - 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 November 1, 2023 be and are hereby approved:

Student #280023	Student #280043	Student #276296
Student #276166	Student #280057	Student #274840
Student #280164	Student #280166	Student #276715
Student #280116	Student #278074	Student #278765
Student #276352	Student #277476	Student #280053
Student #280052	Student #276989	Student #277880
Student #277724	Student #279668	Student #280192
Student #274550	Student #280130	Student #278601
Student #278516	Student #276693	Student #278423
Student #273504	Student #280158	Student #272345
Student #278053	Student #280178	Student #280036
Student #277663	Student #277058	Student #272986
Student #278443	Student #280205	Student #273871

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Student #276678
Student #280151

Student #276340

Student #278687

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #265 Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolution #266 - 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 November 1, 2023 be and are hereby approved:

Student #279247
Student #279378
Student #279453

Student #279975
Student #280041

Student #279786
Student #279849

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #266 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #267 - #278 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #267 - 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>
Rebecca Flynt	Teacher	11/17/23
Deanne Nolin	Special Education Aide	11/07/23
Roy Pagan-Depew	School Aide	11/01/23
Kimberly Rockwell	Lunch Supervisor	10/26/23
Derrek Tuthill	Lunch Supervisor	10/19/23

Resolution #268 - Tenure Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following persons be awarded tenure, be and are hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Commencement Date</u>
Barbara Cawley	Teaching Assistant	11/07/23
Colleen Dunleavy	Teaching Assistant	11/07/23
Monica LaShomb	Special Education	12/19/23

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Resolution #269 - 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>
Karen Weinheimer	Teaching Assistant	Teaching Assistant Level 1	\$22,919/yr. Step 2 (pro-rated)	11/15/23-11/14/27

Resolution #270 - 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>
Laura Avery	Special Education Aide	11/03/23
Emily Lavoy	School Aide	11/03/23

Resolution #271 - 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>
Sarah Crowley	Special Education Aide	32.5	\$19.05/hr.	11/02/23-11/01/24
Lauren Hanna	School Aide	22.5	\$16.54/hr.	11/02/23-11/01/24
Robert Hayes	Bus Driver	25	\$24.30/hr.	11/02/23-11/01/24
Roy Pagan-Depew	Special Education Aide	32.5	\$19.05/hr.	11/02/23-11/01/24
Anthony Scaffidi-Fonti	Cleaner	24	\$19.57/hr.	11/02/23-11/01/24

Resolution #272 - 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>
Dustin Lair	Driver in Training	40	\$20.60/hr.
Elizabeth Shultes	Substitute Bus Driver	30	\$23.57/hr.

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Resolution #273 - 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>
Jessica Decker	NYS Professional, SWD 1-6	\$44.22/hr.

Resolution #274 - Appointment – Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Jill Fifield	Student Government Advisor, GC	\$959 (pro-rated)

Resolution #275 - Appointment- Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities Volunteer

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Christina Ferlise-Clark	Odyssey of the Mind, MA	n/a
Jennifer Moriale-Sorbero	Odyssey of the Mind, MA	n/a
Kathryn Skanes	Odyssey of the Mind, MA	n/a

Resolution #276 - Appointment – Extra Duties

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 rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Mark Mason	Additional Section (.2), HS	\$5,412/yr. (pro-rated)
Jenna Russell	Additional Section (.2), MA	\$5,412/yr. (pro-rated)

Resolution #277 - 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>
TaraMarie Crisafulli	Assistant Varsity Indoor Track	\$4,860
Matthew Germann	Assistant Varsity Indoor Track	\$4,860
Tyler Williamson	Assistant Varsity Swim and Dive	\$3,700

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Resolution #278 - Creation of position

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the position of Athletic Program Coordinator is hereby created as a twelve-month, competitive, civil service position working 7.5 hours per day with an initial wage rate of \$24.92 per hour, effective November 2, 2023.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Mr. Dreher that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #267 - 278

Ayes all

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, and PTA

Timothy Turbiak shared recent fall events and book fairs across the District, and thanked everyone who participated. He announced that Super Science Saturday information and stated volunteers are needed. He stated Malta Ave's next PTA meeting will be on November 7th at 6:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fernau reiterated the next meeting would be on November 15th.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak seconded by Ms. Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session to discuss a student matter protected by Federal Law not to return at 7:44 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board