

Hamilton Central School District
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
 Thursday, March 14, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Michelle Jacobsen, Jennifer Jones, Amanda Phillips,
 Sung Choe, Cory Duclos
 and Tinsae Chiarello (*Student*)

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: William Dowsland, Matt Crumb, Heather Thomas, Kevin Ellis, Mark
 Arquiatt, and Christopher Rogers
 Jodi Shantal, District Clerk

VISITORS: Travis Olivera, Morgan Elmore, Travis Ames, Astrid Helfant, Lisa Decker, Scott Budelmann,
 and Joe Eakin

<u>1.0 CALL TO ORDER</u>	<i>Call to Order</i>
1.1 The regular meeting of the Hamilton Central School District Board of Education was held in the Dave McKay Board of Education Room/Large Group Instruction Room, 47 West Kendrick Ave, Hamilton, New York. Michelle Jacobsen, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following items of business were conducted.	
1.2 Pledge of Allegiance	<i>Pledge of Allegiance</i>
<u>2.0 PRELIMINARY ACTION</u>	<i>Preliminary Action</i>
2.1 Amendments to the Agenda – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.3 – Solar Eclipse will be moved prior to 4.1 – Teacher Recognitions 	<i>Amendments to the Agenda</i>
2.2 Approval of the Agenda BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the March 14, 2024, regular meeting be approved as amended.	<i>Approval of Agenda</i>
Moved by: Jones Seconded by: Phillips Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.	
2.3 Approval of Minutes BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular meeting on February 8, 2024 be approved as submitted.	<i>Approval of Minutes</i>
Moved by: Duclos Seconded by: Choe Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.	
<u>3.0 KNIGHT LIGHT</u>	<i>Knight Light</i>
Mr. Dowsland presented the Knight Light to Laura Russin for her efforts with managing the sub calling services.	

<p><u>4.0 DISTRICT PRESENTATIONS</u></p> <p>4.1 Solar Eclipse – Joe Eakin from Colgate University 4.2 Teacher Recognitions – Mark Arquiett 4.3 Madison-Oneida BOCES Administrative Budget - Scott Budelmann, District Superintendent and Lisa Decker, Deputy Superintendent for Finance and Operations 4.4 District Report Card – Chris Rogers 4.5 Budget Update – Matt Crumb 4.6 MO Board of Education – BOCES Board Seat</p>	<p><i>District Presentations</i></p>
<p><u>5.0 CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED to approve the consent agenda (5.1 through 5.4) as recommended by the Superintendent as follows:</p> <p>Moved by: Jones Seconded by: Choe Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.</p> <p><i>Business Operations</i></p> <p>5.1 Treasurer’s Report BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer’s Report be accepted as submitted.</p> <p>5.2 Consideration of Claims BE IT RESOLVED that the consideration of claims be approved and authorization of the District Treasurer to pay the submitted warrants in the amount of \$214,432.98 for general fund, HBus fund in the amount of \$38,604.91, and capital fund in the amount of \$14,902.44.</p> <p>5.3 Transportation Report BE IT RESOLVED to accept the transportation report as submitted.</p> <p>5.4 Cafeteria Report BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Cafeteria Report as submitted.</p> <p><i>That concludes the consent agenda.</i></p>	<p><i>Consent Agenda</i></p> <p><i>Treasurer’s Report</i></p> <p><i>Consideration of Claims</i></p> <p><i>Transportation Report</i></p> <p><i>Cafeteria Report</i></p>
<p><u>6.0 OLD BUSINESS</u></p> <p>6.1 2023-2024 School Calendar BE IT RESOLVED to amend the 2023-2024 school calendar as follows and as recommended by the Superintendent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of an emergency closure day (snow day) be used for Monday, April 8, 2024 to allow students, staff, and their families to fully participate in the Solar Eclipse. • Giveback of the unused emergency closure days as listed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Friday, May 24, 2024 ➢ Tuesday, May 28, 2024 <p>If the District should have to use an emergency closure day prior to any of the above days, the Board gives the Superintendent approval to amend the calendar adjustments as needed.</p> <p>Moved by: Jones Seconded by: Duclos Discussion was held on the district being left with one additional day. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.</p>	<p><i>Old Business</i></p> <p><i>School Calendar Amendment</i></p>

7.0 COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Community Participation

7.1 General Public

There wasn't any community participation at this time.

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

New Business

8.1 Personnel

Personnel

A) Resignation

Resignation

Cydnee Wendt

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the resignation of Cydnee Wendt, school nurse, effective June 30, 2024 as recommended by the Superintendent with sincere appreciation for her services rendered to the district.

Moved by: Choe
Seconded by: Phillips
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

B) Appointments

Appointments

Rick Lauterhahn

BE IT RESOLVED to revise the appointment of Rick Lauterhahn as a probationary food service helper to a permanent Civil Service appointment effective April 14, 2024 as recommended by the Business Manager and Superintendent.

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Choe
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

Volunteer Coach

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the volunteer coach, as provided, for the 2023-2024 school year, as recommended by the Athletic Director and Superintendent. The approval of Matthew McGaugh is contingent upon completing all required certifications and fingerprint clearance.

Moved by: Phillips
Seconded by: Jones
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.2 Donations

Donations

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the following monetary donations, with sincere appreciation, and to increase the budget by these amounts as recommended by the Business Manager and Superintendent.

- First Baptist Church Deacon's Fund - \$100.00 (*S.E.L. Program*)
- Hamilton Central School PTO – \$1,000.00 (*One School, One Book*)
- Hamilton Bible Fellowship - \$400.00 (*Teacher's supplies and materials*)

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Duclos
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.3 Committee on Special Education and Preschool Special Education
BE IT RESOLVED to approve the recommendation of the Committees on Special Education and Preschool Special Education.

CSE/CPSE

Moved by: Choe
Seconded by: Jones
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.4 Nomination Process for the Madison-Oneida BOCES Board Seat
BE IT RESOLVED to approve that the selection of the Hamilton Central School nominee for the Madison-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services, be by paper ballot and according to preferential voting, and that the circulation of the paper ballots be led by the District Clerk.

Nomination for the MO BOCES Seat

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Choe
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.5 Madison-Oneida BOCES Board Seat
BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following resolution pertaining to the nomination for the office of Member of the Board of Cooperative Education Services.

MO BOCES Board Seat

RESOLVED

The Hamilton Central School District nominates: Cris Amann for the seat currently held by Michelle Jacobsen, for the office of Member of the Madison-Oneida BOCES Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Duclos

The approval of the foregoing resolution will be a roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Choe Voting Aye
Dr. Duclos Voting Aye
Mrs. Phillips Voting Aye
Mrs. Jones, Vice President Voting Aye
Mrs. Jacobsen, President Voting Aye
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.6 Transportation Proposition
BE IT RESOLVED to approve the resolution as provided and to adopt the following transportation proposition for submittal to the qualified voters on May 21, 2024.

Transportation Proposition

“Shall the Board of Education of the Hamilton Central School District be authorized to purchase and finance one (1) 30-passenger school bus and one (1) suburban—type vehicle, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed 180,000 which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District, in the principal amount not to exceed \$180,000 shall be issued?”

Moved by: Choe
Seconded by: Jones

The approval of the foregoing resolution will be a roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Choe	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Dr. Duclos	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Mrs. Phillips	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Mrs. Jones, Vice President	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Mrs. Jacobsen, President	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Ayes: 5	Nays: 0	Absent: 0	Motion carried.

8.7 Hamilton Public Library Proposition

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the following request from the Hamilton Public Library to submit their proposition for inclusion, on the District's ballot, for submittal to the qualified voters on May 21, 2024.

"Shall the Hamilton Central School District be authorized to levy a tax in the amount of \$163,101 and pay such monies to the Trustees of the Hamilton Public Library for the support and maintenance of the Library with such support continuing on an annual basis unless or until a different amount is authorized by the qualified voters of the school district?"

Moved by: Duclos
Seconded by: Jones

The approval of the foregoing resolution will be a roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Choe	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Dr. Duclos	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Mrs. Phillips	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Mrs. Jones, Vice President	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Mrs. Jacobsen, President	Voting	<u>Aye</u>	
Ayes: 5	Nays: 0	Absent: 0	Motion carried.

8.8 Notice of Budget Hearing, Budget Vote, and Election

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the legal notice for the Budget Hearing, Budget Vote, and Election on May 21, 2024 and to authorize the District Clerk to make any technical changes as legally obligated.

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Choe
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.9 Senior Class Trip

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Class of 2024 Senior Trip to Lake George, NY from June 25 – 26, 2024, as recommended by the secondary principal and Superintendent. This approval is contingent upon meeting all planning requirements of the administration. Please note, that the Board of Education reserves the right to cancel the trip if circumstances should arise concerning the safety of the students.

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Duclos
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

8.10 Combined Sports

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Hamilton's participation in the following combined sports programs for the 2023-2024 school year as recommended by the athletic director and Superintendent.

- Modified Track with Morrisville-Eaton (*tentatively 2 students*)

*Hamilton
Public Library
Proposition*

*Notice of
Budget
Hearing,
Budget Vote,
and Election*

*Senior Class
Trip*

*Combined
Sports*

Moved by: Duclos
Seconded by: Choe
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

9.0 INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

*Information and
Correspondence*

- 9.1 Superintendent's Report
- 9.2 Administrative Reports
- 9.3 Athletics Update
- 9.4 Business Manager Report
- 9.5 Student Board Member Report
- 9.6 SEL Report
- 9.7 Knowledge Sharing
 - Elementary Steering Committee
 - Secondary Steering Committee
 - Inclusivity Committee
- 9.8 Advocacy Update
- 9.9 Board Update
 - March 1st - Petitions were available for Board of Education candidates. Please contact Jodi Shantal for more information.
 - March 19th - How to Become a School Board Member Candidate - What You Need to Know. If interested, please contact Jodi Shantal.
 - May 14th – Public Budget Hearing at 6:00 PM
 - May 20th – Vote from 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the Bus Garage

10.0 COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

There wasn't any community participation at this time.

*Community
Participation*

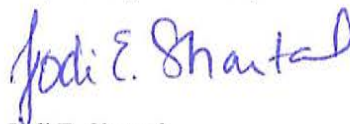
11.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Executive
Session*

BE IT RESOLVED upon the recommendation of the Board President to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:37 p.m. to discuss employment history of particular individuals.
8:38 p.m. – Executive Session started with the Mr. Ellis and Mr. Crumb present
8:47 p.m. –Mr. Ellis left executive session

Moved by: Jones
Seconded by: Choe
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jodi E. Shantal
District Clerk

BE IT RESOLVED upon the recommendation of the Board President to reconvene the regular meeting at 10:04 p.m.

Moved by: Duclos
Seconded by: Phillips
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

BE IT RESOLVED upon the recommendation of the Board President to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:19 p.m.

Moved by: Choe
Seconded by: Jones
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



William Dowsland
Superintendent