

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Irma Czubaj Board of Education Room, Woodrow Wilson Elementary School  
Tuesday, February 27, 2024  
6:30 p.m.**

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Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge

Board President will call meeting to order

Roll Call

Roll Call: Denise McCowan – President  
Zachary Smith – Vice President  
Stephanie Dombrowski  
Claire Ferrucci  
Gary Sieczkarek  
James Stachewicz  
Jeffery Stewart - excused

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by S. Dombrowski, to go into Executive Session at 6:33 p.m. for the employment history of particular people.

Executive Session

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by J. Stachewicz, to adjourn from Executive Session and resume regular order of business at 7:30 p.m.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by C. Ferrucci, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 16, 2024.

Approve Minutes

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by C. Ferrucci, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of January, 2024 as submitted.

Approve Reports

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the Student Activities Report and School Lunch Report for the month of January, 2024 as submitted.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the Appropriation Status Report and the Revenue Report for the period ending January 31, 2024 as submitted.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Stachewicz, to suspend the reading of each Warrant payment and to approve payments for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund, and Capital Fund as submitted.

Approve Payments

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Mr. Wayne Drescher – 2024-2025 Budget Development  
Mr. Robert Julian, JFK HS Principal and Mrs. Jessica Emmerling, Director of Special Education and Student Services – Early Warning System

Presentations

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by Z. Smith, to accept the resignation from Richard Cerrone, Custodian at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School, effective January 8, 2024.

Resignation  
R. Cerrone  
Custodian

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by S. Dombrowski, to accept the resignation, due to retirement, from Donna Campas, Cleaner at John F. Kennedy High School, effective August 9, 2024.

Retirement  
D. Campas

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to accept the resignation, due to retirement, from Angela Byczkowski, Senior Clerk Typist at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School, effective October 7, 2024.

Retirement  
A. Byczkowski

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by C. Ferrucci, to approve the request from Cynthia Szwajda, School Monitor at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School, for an unpaid leave of absence from January 4, 2024 through January 26, 2024.

Unpaid Leave  
of Absence  
C. Szwajda

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Evie Campbell be appointed to the 7-Hour Food Service Helper-In-Charge position at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School effective February 28, 2024. This position holds a 6-month probationary period. Compensation and benefits as per the CSEA contract.

Appointments  
E. Campbell  
FSH-in-Charge

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by C. Ferrucci, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Amanda Seymour, Registered Professional Nurse, be appointed to the School Nurse position at John F. Kennedy Middle/High School effective March 11, 2024. This position holds a 6-month probationary period. Compensation and benefits as per the TAC contract.

A. Seymour  
Nurse

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by J. Stachewicz, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Katheryn Molfese, certified in Early Childhood Education Birth - Grade 2), Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Student with Disabilities (Birth - Grade 2 and Grades 1-6), Literacy (Birth-Grade 6 and Grades 5-12) be appointed to the Elementary Education teaching position at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School effective March 18, 2024. This position holds a probationary period beginning March 18, 2024 through March 17, 2028. Compensation and benefits as per the TAC contract.

K. Molfese  
Elementary

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by S. Dombrowski, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the submitted list of additional teachers be appointed to the Before and After School Remediation Program, beginning March 4, 2024 through May 16, 2024.

Before and  
After School

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by C. Ferrucci, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the recommended and submitted Club Advisor, Volunteer, and Coaches shall be appointed for the 2023-2024 school year. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Club Advisor,  
Volunteer,  
Coaches

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Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by C. Ferrucci, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Colin Brinson shall be appointed as the JV Head Football Coach for the 2024-2025 school year. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Coach  
2024-2025  
C. Brinson

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by C. Ferrucci, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the submitted Peer Advisor Mentor list be approved for the 2023-2024 school year. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Peer Mentors

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by J. Stachewicz, to approve the list of teaching substitutes as submitted.

Substitutes

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by J. Stachewicz, to approve the recommendation from the CSE/CPSE as submitted.

CPSE / CSE

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by Z. Smith, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Steven Dempsey, being certified in Chemistry 7-12 and General Science 7-12, be granted tenure effective March 15, 2024.

Tenure  
S. Dempsey

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by J. Stachewicz, to nominate Mr. Edward R. Cavan residing at 252 Willow Green Drive, Amherst, NY 14228, which is located in the Sweethome Central School District, as a candidate for an election to be held on April 16, 2024, to serve as a trustee for the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Erie County, in a term beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

BOCES  
Nominations  
E. Cavan

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by C. Ferrucci, to nominate Ms. Renee M. Wilson residing at 10 Dennis Lane, Cheektowaga, NY 14227, which is located in the Cheektowaga Central School District, as a candidate for an election to be held on April 16, 2024, to serve as a trustee for the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Erie County, in a term beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

R. Wilson

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by C. Ferrucci, to approve the following field trip requests:

Field Trips

- Yianna Russo to take approximately twenty-three students from her Meteorology and Astronomy class to Buffalo State University on March 14, 2024 from 11:45 a.m. to 2:10 p.m. to experience the Whitworth Ferguson Planetarium and learn about solar eclipses. Cost to the District: 1 bus.

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Field Trips

- Katherine Palmiter to take approximately twenty JFK High School students to the ADPRO Sports Training Center, 1 Bills Drive, Orchard Park, NY on April 11, 2024 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the *Be Your Own Hero Skilled Trades Career Fair and Industry Expo*. Cost to the District: 1 bus.
- Ann Schieder to take the JFK Middle School Choruses to Shea’s Performing Arts Center to see *Shrek the Musical* on May 16, 2024 from 6:15 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. Cost to the District: 2 buses.
- Trevor Prutsman to take the JFK Middle School Band to the Darien Lake Music Festival on Friday, May 17, 2024 from 8:50 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Cost to the District: 2 buses.

Motion Carried                                    6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the following Fundraising requests:

Fundraisers

- JFK High School Class of 2024 and Class of 2025 to hold a Krispy Kreme fundraiser from March 4, 2024 through March 20, 2024 (delivery will be on March 20, 2024). Profits will be used to off-set the cost of prom.
- JFK High School Class of 2027 to hold a “Support My School” Spring Catalog fundraiser from March 4, 2024 through March 15, 2024. Any profits will be used to help the 9<sup>th</sup> grade class build funds for class events.
- JFK High School Class of 2026 to hold a clothing donation fundraiser through Savers Thrift Store in Hamburg, NY during the month of May 2024. Profits will be used to help the 10<sup>th</sup> grade class build funds for class events.

Motion Carried                                    6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by C. Ferrucci, to accept the following Statement of Profit and Loss:

Statement of Profit and Loss

- JFK Middle School Bands held an EcoScents Candle sale from September 25, 2023 through October 6, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$1,604.65.

Motion Carried                                    6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by C. Ferrucci, to approve the request from the Monsignor Martin Girls’ Track League to use the track at John F. Kennedy High School for one track meet during each week of: April 15<sup>th</sup>, April 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 5:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Use of Facilities

Motion Carried                                    6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by C. Ferrucci, to waive and suspend the second reading of the Workplace Violence Prevention Policy Statement, as submitted, and adopt it effective February 28, 2024.

Workplace Violence Prevention Policy #6190

Motion Carried                                    6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by Z. Smith, to approve the following resolution:

First Student Transportation Contract Extension

WHEREAS, the District’s contracts with First Student Inc. for the transportation of students expires June 30, 2024, and

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WHEREAS, the District has received an offer from First Student Inc. to extend the contracts for a period of three (3) years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the extension of the transportation contracts with First Student Inc. for the 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, to award the bid for the 2023-2024 Cheektowaga-Sloan UFSD Capital Outlay Project to GP Flooring Solutions based on the New York State Office of General Service procurement contract. This contract consists of GP Flooring's base bid of \$33,805.00 and Alternate 2 with a price of \$56,129.00 for a total award amount of \$89,934.

Award Bid

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by C. Ferrucci to adjourn this meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Knaebe  
District Clerk