

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Tuesday, June 20, 2023  
Czubaj Board of Education Room, Woodrow Wilson Elementary School  
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  
Claire M. Ferrucci – Vice President - excused  
Stephanie Dombrowski  
Wesley Schlossin  
Gary Sieczkarek  
Zachary Smith  
Jeffery Stewart

Motion by W. Schlossin seconded by S. Dombrowski, to go into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m. for employment history of a particular person, selective bargaining negotiations, and matters leading to the hiring of a particular person.

Executive Session

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Stewart, to adjourn from Executive Session and resume regular order of business at 7:26 p.m.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by W. Schlossin seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 16, 2023.

Approve Minutes

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of May, 2023 as submitted.

Approve Reports

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by Z. Smith, to approve the Student Activities Report and School Lunch Report for the month of May, 2023 as submitted.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by W. Schlossin seconded by Z. Smith, to approve the Appropriation Status Report and the Revenue Report for the period ending May 31, 2023 as submitted.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Stewart, to suspend the reading of each Warrant payment and to approve payments for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, and Special Aid Fund as submitted.

Approve Payments

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by W. Schlossin, to accept the following resignations:

Resignations  
B. Butera  
V. Coyne  
P. Hanzly

- Bridget Butera, Mathematics Teacher at John F. Kennedy High School, effective June 30, 2023.
- Victoria Coyne, School Guidance Counselor at John F. Kennedy High School, effective June 30, 2023.
- Peter Hanzly, Social Studies Teacher at John F. Kennedy Middle School, effective June 30, 2023.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the request from Jasmin Akter, 4.5-Hour Food Service Helper at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, to take an unpaid leave of absence beginning September 1, 2023.

Leave of  
Absence  
J. Akter

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Stewart, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Alexander Lahr and Gavin Slomba be appointed as seasonal laborers effective July 3, 2023.

Appointments  
A. Lahr  
G. Slomba  
Seasonal

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, Anthony Szewczyk be appointed as a Full-Time, 12-Month, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian for the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District effective June 21, 2023. This position holds a 6-month probationary period beginning June 21, 2023. Compensation and benefits as per the CSEA contract.

A. Szewczyk  
Custodian

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by W. Schlossin seconded by Z. Smith, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Sean Wylie be appointed as a Full-Time, 12-Month, Split Shift Groundsman for the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District effective July 5, 2023. This position holds a 6-month probationary period beginning July 5, 2023. Compensation and benefits as per the CSEA contract.

S. Wylie  
Groundsman

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by Z. Smith, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Carly Cronin, certified in Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), be appointed to the Elementary Education teaching position at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School effective August 28, 2023. This position holds a probationary period beginning August 28, 2023 through August 27, 2027. Compensation and benefits as per the TAC contract.

C. Cronin  
Elementary

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by Z. Smith, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Carlie M. Thompson, certified in English Language Arts (Grades 7-12), be appointed to the English Teacher position at John F. Kennedy High School effective August 28, 2023. This position holds a probationary period beginning August 28, 2023 through August 27, 2027. Compensation and benefits as per the TAC contract.

C. Thompson  
HS English

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by W. Schlossin, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Christina Pfohl be appointed to the John F. Kennedy High School Advisement Curriculum Coordinator position effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Stipend is included in federal grants.

C. Pfohl  
Advisement  
Curriculum  
Coordinator

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by W. Schlossin, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Colin Brinson be appointed to the summer 2023 Online Credit Recovery Coordinator position. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

C. Brinson  
Online Credit  
Recovery

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Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by W. Schlossin, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following individuals be appointed to the grant-funded positions of Restorative Practice Liaisons for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Michaelene Bernas, Theodore Roosevelt Elementary
- Alyssa Ernst, Woodrow Wilson Elementary
- Jesse Brodka, John F. Kennedy High School

Restorative Practice  
M. Bernas  
A. Ernst  
J. Brodka

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by W. Schlossin, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the recommended and submitted Club Advisors shall be appointed for the 2023-2024 school year. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Appoint  
Club Advisors

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by J. Stewart, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the recommended and submitted Coaches shall be appointed for the 2023-2024 school year. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Appoint  
Coaches

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 following appointments be made for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years with compensation as per the TAC contract:

- Special Education Department Chair – Julie Frank
- Arts & LOTE Department Chair – Joanne Selice (due to retirement in June 2024, this appointment will be for the 2023-2024 year only)
- Kindergarten Grade Level Leader – Maria Cosen
- First Grade Level Leader – Emily Markiewicz
- Second Grade Level Leader – Melanie Wojtowicz
- Third Grade Level Leader – Julie Curtiss
- Fourth Grade Level Leader – Sam Farber
- Fifth Grade Level Leader – Michelle Struzik

Appoint  
Department  
Chairs and  
Grade Level  
Leaders:  
J. Frank  
J. Selice  
M. Cosen  
E. Markiewicz  
M. Wojtowicz  
J. Curtiss  
S. Farber  
M. Struzik

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by Z. Smith, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Summer School staff shall be appointed for the 2023 Summer School Program as submitted.

Appoint  
Summer School  
Staff

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, Elizabeth Zaccarine, be appointed as Summer School Principal/Coordinator for the 2023 Summer School Program.

Appoint  
Summer School  
Principal  
E. Zaccarine

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by W. Schlossin, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the 3-Day Summer Regents Review staff shall be appointed for the 2023 Summer Regents Review as submitted.

Appoint  
3-Day Summer  
Regents Review

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Motion by Z. Smith seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the 2023-2024 Terms of Employment for the following individuals as submitted:

Approve Terms of Employment:

- Andrew Calire, Teacher Assistant – In-School Suspension Room
- Elaine Cole, Teacher Assistant at John F. Kennedy High School
- Denver Drennen, Jr., Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction
- Jessica Emmerling, Director of Special Education & Student Services
- Janelle Finn, Assistant Superintendent
- Joseph Goodrow, Maintenance Mechanic Crew Chief
- Erin Greene, Food Service Director
- Jennifer Heiler, District Treasurer
- Katrina Kaminski, Coordinator of Special Education and Student Services
- Denise Knaebe, Secretary to the Superintendent and District Clerk
- Brian Zybala, Director of Technology

A. Calire  
E. Cole  
D. Drennen, Jr.  
J. Emmerling  
J. Finn  
J. Goodrow  
E. Greene  
J. Heiler  
K. Kaminski  
D. Knaebe  
B. Zybala

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the recommendations from the CSE/CPSE as submitted.

CSE/CPSE

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Stewart, to schedule the July 2023 Reorganizational Meeting on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Irma Czubaj Board of Education Room at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School. The Regular Board Meeting for the month of July will be scheduled to immediately follow the reorganizational meeting.

Reorganizational Meeting  
July 11, 2023

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by Z. Smith, to approve the following field trip request:

Field Trip

- Tim Murray to take the JFK High School Band to see the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra perform at Kleinhans Music Hall on September 29, 2023 from 9:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Cost to the District: 1 bus.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the following Fundraising requests:

Fundraisers

- JFK Middle School and JFK High School Bands to sell Ecoscents candles from September 25, 2023 through October 6, 2023. All proceeds will be used toward Band apparel, field trips, and music festivals.
- Girls' Athletic Association and Boys' Varsity "K" to sell tickets for \$15 each for chicken BBQ dinners before and during the homecoming game on September 30, 2023. Proceeds will be used toward student scholarships.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by W. Schlossin, to accept the following Statements of Profit and Loss:

Statements of Profit and Loss

- The JFK Girls' Volleyball team held an Applebee's Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on October 15, 2022. The statement shows a profit of \$14.59.
- The JFK HS Drama Club held the Spring Musical: *Oklahoma!* on the weekend of March 10, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$776.81.
- The JFK HS Drama Club held the Spring One Act: *Tuck Everlasting* on the weekend of May 12, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$665.69.

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Motion by J. Stewart seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the requests from Beth Zaccarine and Brian Zybala to deem the submitted equipment as broken or obsolete and dispose of the same.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, to nominate David Lowrey for NYSSBA Area 1 Director for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2024.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stewart seconded by W. Schlossin, to adjourn this meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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Obsolete  
Equipment

Nomination for  
NYSSBA  
Area 1 Director  
D. Lowrey

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Knaebe  
District Clerk