

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Irma Czubaj Board of Education Room, Woodrow Wilson Elementary School  
Tuesday, March 21, 2023  
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  
Stephanie Dombrowski  
Wesley Schlossin  
Gary Sieczkarek  
Zachary Smith  
Jeffery Stewart - excused

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by C. Ferrucci, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2023.

Approve  
Minutes

Motion Carried          6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of February, 2023 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 February, 2023 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 February 28, 2023 as submitted.

Motion Carried          6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by w. Schlossin, 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 – 2023-2024 Budget Development  
Mr. Brian Zybala and Mrs. Janelle Finn – Response to Intervention (RtI) Data /Accountability Data Update  
Mrs. Christine Ruffner & Mrs. Kelsey Miosi – Academic Learning Center (ALC) update from JFK Middle School and High School  
Student TAC Award Recognition

Presentations

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Brenda Franklin be appointed to the 4-Hour Food Service Helper position at John F. Kennedy High School effective March 22, 2023. This position holds a 6-month probationary period beginning March 22, 2023. Compensation and benefits as per the CSEA contract.

4-Hour FSH  
B. Franklin

Motion Carried          6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by W. Schlossin, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the recommended Coaches shall be appointed for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted. Compensation as per the TAC contract.

Appoint  
Coaches

Motion Carried          6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the list of teaching and non-teaching substitutes as submitted.

Appoint  
Substitutes

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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

CSE/CPSE

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the request from Erin Greene to deem the submitted equipment as broken or obsolete and dispose of the same.

Obsolete  
Equipment

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 following community members be appointed as Election Inspectors for the upcoming Budget Vote on May 16, 2023:

Appoint  
Election  
Inspectors

Irene Domagala, Chief Election Inspector	Henrietta Szumigala
Patricia Summers, Chief Election Inspector	Elaine Weigand
Estelle Lisowski	Cynthia Quigley
Carol Kubiak	Daria Prystajako - Alternate

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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

Field Trips

- Tim Murray to take the Woodrow Wilson Band to Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School on May 1, 2023 from 12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Cost to the District: 2 buses.
- Tim Murray to take approximately seven 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Members to Frontier HS on Friday, April 28, 2023 (3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) and/or Saturday, April 29, 2023 (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.). There is no cost to the District and parents/guardians will provide transportation.
- Richard Keller to take the JFK HS Wind Ensemble to Woodrow Wilson Elementary School on May 17, 2023 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Cost to the District: 1 bus.
- Michelle Struzik to take the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to the Freedom Crossing Lewiston Museum and Walking Tour located at 460 Plain St., Lewiston on June 8, 2023 from 9:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is no cost to the students. Cost to the District: 3 buses.
- Samuel Farber to take the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students, along with Mrs. Tanalski's class, to Old Fort Niagara on June 12, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is no cost to the students. Cost to the District: 3 buses.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by W. Schlossin, to approve the following fundraising request:

Fundraiser

- JFK HS Class of 2025 to hold a "Spring Basketball Tournament" on April 26, 2023 in the JFK HS gym from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Any profits will be used for their class prom and class events.

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by W. Schlossin, to accept the following Profit and Loss Statements:

Statements of Profit and Loss

- The Class of 2023 held a Snowball Dance on February 11, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$236.56.
- The Class of 2023 held a Krispy Kreme Fundraiser from February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$1,401.60.
- The Girls' Athletic Association (GAA) and Boys' Varsity "K" hosted a volleyball tournament on March 1, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$31.02.
- The National Honor Society held a Valentine's Day "Chocolate with a Message Sale" from February 2, 2023 through February 13, 2023. The statement shows a profit of \$109.50.

Motion Carried                  6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, to adopt the Instructional Calendar for the 2023-24 school year as submitted.

Adopt Instructional Calendar

Motion Carried                  6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the request from the Doyle Volunteer Hose Co. No. 2 to use the gymnasium at John F. Kennedy MS on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. beginning March 22, 2023 through May 17, 2023.

Use of Facilities Doyle Hose Co.

Motion Carried                  6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the following resolution:

Type II SEQRA Capital Project

**RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT DETERMINING THAT A CAPITAL PROJECT AT THEODORE ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WOODROW WILSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL IS A TYPE II ACTION AND NOT SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW, as submitted:**

**WHEREAS**, the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District is the sponsor of proposed capital improvement activities which include maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, replacement, and renovation at existing buildings and properties within the District, specifically, at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School, Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, and John F. Kennedy High School (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Project is described on Exhibit A to this resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board now desires to comply with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the regulations in 6 NYCRR Part 617 adopted by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (the "Regulations") with respect to the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Regulations, the Board has considered the Project in light of the actions included on the Type I list specified in subpart 617.4 of the Regulations and in light of the actions included on the Type II list specified in subpart 617.5 of the Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board as follows:

1. Based upon an understanding of the Project as described to the Board and contained in materials describing the Project, as well as the Board's knowledge of the area where the Project will occur, and such other investigation of the Project as the Board has deemed appropriate, the Board makes the following findings and determinations:

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2. The Board has determined that the Project does not meet or exceed any of the thresholds on the on the Type I list specified in Section 617.4 of the Regulations; and
3. The Board has determined that the Project constitutes a “Type II action” (as the quoted term is defined in the Regulations) because it falls clearly within the ambit of three actions included on the Type II list specified in Section 617.5 of the Regulations:
  - a. “routine activity of an educational institution” (617.5(c)(8)); and/or
  - b. “maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility” (617.5(c)(1)); and/or
  - c. “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site;” (617.5(c)(2)); and
4. The Board hereby determines that the Project is not subject to further review under SEQRA; and
5. As applicable, the Board will comply with guidance issued by the New York State Education Department.
6. A copy of this resolution shall be provided to the New York State Education Department.
7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Type II SEQRA  
Capital Project  
(continued)

**Exhibit A  
DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**

**Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School**

The Project includes \$10,000 of planned interior renovations and replacements within the school and installation of new exterior playground facilities. Specifically, the Project includes installation of a new playground with age-appropriate equipment for the District’s primary level students, grades Pre-Kindergarten through 2. The project also includes installation of a new modern electronic sign.

**Woodrow Wilson Elementary School**

The Project includes \$10,000 of planned interior renovations and replacements within the school and installation of new exterior playground facilities. Specifically, the Project includes installation of a new playground with age-appropriate equipment for the District’s intermediate level students, grades 3 through 5. The project also includes installation of a new modern electronic sign.

**John F. Kennedy Middle School/Middle School**

The Project includes \$10,000 of planned interior renovations and replacements within the school facilities and improvements to the school’s exterior athletic facilities. Specifically, the Project includes installation of a multipurpose turf field to be used for football, soccer, practices for various sports, physical education classes, and outside events. The new turf field will be in the same location as the existing sports field. The Project will also include installation of multipurpose field lighting to allow the school to host evening events. The Project will include installation of a new electronic/video score board on the new field. Additionally, construction of a new approximately 1,500 square foot concession building with storage space and restroom facilities is planned. The Project includes interior updates to the field house as well. Lastly, the Project includes exterior signage upgrades to include installation of a new modern electronic sign.

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 1 Abstain

(The Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District’s use of \$100,000 capital outlay project for the District’s 2023-2024 fiscal year will consist of continuing to replace tile and finishes at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School.)

SEQR Capital  
Outlay Project

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF CHEEKTOWAGA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT FINDING THAT CERTAIN RENOVATIONS, ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DISTRICT’S BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AS PART OF A PROPOSED CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECT CONSTITUTE A TYPE II ACTION UNDER

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THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT.

Motion by C. Ferrucci seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the following resolution:

SEQR Capital  
Outlay Project  
(continued)

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Cheektowaga Sloan Union Free School District (the "District") has considered whether the alterations, renovations and improvements to the District's buildings and facilities, as described in the Scope of Work attached to this resolution as Exhibit A (collectively referred to as the "Proposed Action"), individually and collectively constitute a Type II action within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, constituting Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law, and the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated thereunder (6 N.Y.C.R.R. 617.1 et seq., including, in particular, 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5) and any applicable regulations of the New York State Commissioner of Education (collectively, "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the District are voting to potentially approved the District's 2022-2023 budget calling for the application of \$100,000 for such purpose, with the work on the Project to occur during the District's 2023-2024 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the advice of its Architect concerning the Proposed Action and its status under SEQRA, given the nature and extent of the work to be performed; and

WHEREAS, because the Board finds the Proposed Action involves the replacement, rehabilitation and reconstruction of structures and improvements in kind and does not involve any substantial changes in existing structures, such actions individually and collectively qualify as a Type II Action under SEQRA and are therefore exempt from any further action under SEQRA;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to the applicable provision of the New York State Environment Quality Review Act, the replacement, rehabilitation and reconstruction of structures and improvements in kind of the Proposed Action, is a Type II Action under SEQRA for which no further environment review is necessary. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 1 Abstain

Student Representative shared school building information.

Correspondence  
Report

Motion by W. Schlossin seconded by C. Ferrucci, to go into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m. for collective bargaining and status pertaining to litigation.

Executive  
Session

Motion Carried            6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by Z. Smith to adjourn from Executive Session and resume regular order of business at 9:36 p.m. (C. Ferrucci excused).

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to adjourn this meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion Carried            5 Ayes 0 Noes 2 Absent 0 Abstain

Respectfully submitted,

*Denise Knaebe*

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District Clerk