

# BOARD BANNER

**UNOFFICIAL MEETING SUMMARY** 

# Meeting of July 2, 2019

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

Gregory Woytila administered Oath of Office to Debra Bundt.

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Debra Bundt administered Oath of Office to new Board of Education members Colleen Angelhow and Gabrielle Richards.

Debra Bundt administered Oath of Office to new Student Board of Education member Lila Wieclaw.

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Matthew Kennedy was elected President and Colleen Angelhow was elected Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2019-2020 school year. Debra Bundt administered Oath of Office to both.

# **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Colleen Angelhow, Erik Herbert and Erica Robinson were nominated for the audit committee. Colleen Angelhow was appointed as the chairman.

#### DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS FOR JULY 1, 2019 – JUNE 30, 2020

District Clerk
District Treasurer
District Deputy Treasurer
District Deputy Clerk
Internal Claims Auditor
School Purchasing Agent

Debra Bundt Jennifer Heiler Patricia DiVirgilio Gregory Woytila Erie 1 BOCES Anthony Montoro Deputy Purchasing Agent Gregory Woytila School Physician Health Works

School Architect
Labella Associates, D.P.C.
Fiscal Advisor
Capital Markets Advisors, LLC
Bond Counsel
Hawkins, Delafield & Wood

Internal Auditor
External Auditor
External Auditor
Drescher & Malecki
Student Residency Determinations
Michael Tambroni

Civil Rights Compliance Officer – Title IX

Designated Complaint Officers

Section 504 Coordinator

Bradley Rowles, Colleen Sloan

Patrick Holesko, JoAnn Johnston

Michael Tambroni

Records Access Officer Debra Bundt
Records Retention/Disposition Officer JoAnn Johnston

Attendance Officer Michael Tambroni

Chief Information Officer Patrick Holesko, Kristopher Clester

AHERA LEA Asbestos Compliance Designee Delbert Ambrosia
Energy Manager Delbert Ambrosia

Safety Risk Management Officer Paul Nawotka – O/N BOCES

Impartial Hearing Officer in accordance with Sections
71 & 73 of Civil Service Law

Daniel D'Amico

Colleen Sloan
Central Treasurer for Extracurricular Accounts

Ann Lentsch, High School

Michelle Watson, Middle School

Committee on Special Education Chairpersons

Michael Tambroni
John Moskalik
Kristopher Clester

Michael Hiller
Nicole Huber
Committee on Special Education Parent Members
Laura Westphall
Sub-Committee on Special Education Chairmanage
Details Adlera

Sub-Committee on Special Education Chairpersons

Patricia Adler
Gregory Burgess
James Fisher
Janet Matyevich
Katie Smith
Joshua Jenese
Kristopher Clester
John Steckstor

Rachel Wagner
Committee on Pre-School Special Education Chairpersons

Michael Tambroni

**Bradley Rowles** 

Michael Hiller
John Moskalik
Nicole Huber
Committee on Pre-School Special Education Parent Members
Laura Westphall

Surrogate Parent for Special Education

Designated Educational Official

Review Official for Federal Child Nutrition Program

Hearing Official for Federal Child Nutrition Program

Gregory Woytila

Verification Official for Federal Child Nutrition Program
School Pesticide Representative
Anthony Montoro
Delbert Ambrosia

Insurance Agent Stange Agency, Inc.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA)

Privacy Official/Complaint Officer

Kinney-Vento Liaison for Homeless Child & Youth

Michael Tambroni

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Medicaid Compliance Officer

Anthony Montoro

Debra Bundt administered Oath of Office to Jennifer Heiler, District Treasurer.

#### **DESIGNATIONS**

**Official Depository:** Approved Key Bank, M & T Bank, JP Morgan Chase Bank, NYLAF, and Evans Bank as designated official depositories for the 2019- 2020 school year.

**Official Newspaper:** Approved the Buffalo News and the Niagara Gazette as the official newspaper for publication of all legal notices and such other data as is required to be published by law.

**Impartial Hearing Officers:** Approved utilization of the District-specific list of Impartial Hearing Officers as maintained by the State Education Department's Impartial Hearing Reporting System (IHRS) and designated the Board President or Vice President the authority to appoint an Impartial Hearing Officer to conduct an Impartial Hearing upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

**Regular Board Meeting Schedule:** Adopted the following tentative dates convening at 6:30 p.m.

July 2, 2019

August 14, 2019

September 4, 2019

October 2, 2019

November 6, 2019

December 4, 2019

January 15, 2020

February 5, 2020

March 4, 2020

April 1, 2020

May 12, 2020 (Tuesday)

June 3, 20120

**Policy Workshop Meeting Schedule:** Adopted the following tentative dates convening at 6:00 p.m.

September 18, 2019

October 16, 2019

November 20, 2019

December 18, 2019

January 15, 2020 (following the regular meeting)

February 19, 2020

March 18, 2020

**Dates and Times for Budget Hearing and Budget Vote:** Adopted the following dates and times for the Annual Budget Hearing and Vote:

Budget Hearing – Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Budget Vote –Tuesday, May 19, 2020 from 12 Noon to 9:00 p.m.

**Execution of Contracts:** Authorized Board President. Authority delegated in his/her absence to Superintendent of Schools or his designee.

**Settlement of Claims:** Authorized Superintendent to compromise, settle and pay minor claims in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 per claim.

**Fiscal Officer:** Appointed Board President to execute financial documents on behalf of the school district for the 2019-2020 school year.

**Conferences** – **Employees:** Authorized Superintendent or his designee to approve employee attendance & payment of reasonable expenses at conferences, conventions, workshops, meetings, etc.

**Conferences – Board/Superintendent:** Approved Board of Education and Superintendent attendance & payment of reasonable expenses for conferences, conventions, workshops, meetings, etc.

**Grants:** Authorized Superintendent to apply for any and all grants on behalf of the District, its students, employees, officers and agents as well as all cooperative efforts with other organizations and businesses.

**Signatures on Checks:** Authorized District Treasurer and in the absence of the District Treasurer the District Deputy Treasurer to sign checks.

**Authorization for Real Property Tax Refunds/Corrections 2019-2020:** Delegated the Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services the authority to perform the duties of the tax levying body during 2019-2020 school year when the Real Property Tax Director's recommended refund and/or correction is twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) or less.

**Payroll Certification:** Appointed the Superintendent to certify all payrolls of the District.

**Petty Cash Fund:** Approved petty cash fund in the amount of \$100.00 for the 2019-2020 school year for the business office. Linda Cialfi will be responsible for the fund and will submit proper records and accounting for expenditures from the fund.

**Investment of School Funds:** Appointed the Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services or the District Treasurer the authority to invest school funds in accordance with §1604-A and Section 1723-A of NYS Education Law, school policies and procedures and any other pertinent regulations.

**Budget Transfers:** Authorized the Superintendent to approve budget transfers in the amount of up to and including \$5,000.00 in accordance with Board policy.

**Federal Fund Signatures:** Authorized the Superintendent and Board President to sign applications for all Federal Title Programs which the District is entitled to by Federal Law.

**Authorization to Accept Gifts:** Authorized the Superintendent or his designee to accept gifts of \$75.00 or less.

**Authority to Employ Personnel in Positions Not Yet Filled:** Authorized Superintendent to employ necessary personnel during the 2019-2020 school year subject to subsequent confirmation by the Board at the first available meeting.

**Authority to Act on Emergency Conditional Employees:** The Superintendent of Schools was given the authority to employ individuals on an emergency conditional basis until the next regular or special meeting of the Board of Education provided that any emergency conditional appointment shall terminate no later than 20 days from the commencement of employment. Individuals appointed on an emergency

conditional basis shall be designated as EC when presented to the Board for consideration and appointment. If final clearance is granted by SED that employee's appointment so designated as EC shall be considered approved as described.

**School Attorney:** Authorized the Board and/or Superintendent to seek and obtain outside legal counsel as needed on an hourly basis to advise and represent the District regarding its legal needs and to designate the law firm of Bond, Schoeneck and King, PLLC as the District's law firm of record. Assigned legal services as follows: Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC – Current Litigation, Employee Contracts, Labor Relations, Capital Projects, Miscellaneous Contracts; Harris Beach PLLC – Student Services, Miscellaneous Contracts, Special Education; Hodgson Russ, LLP– Special Education, Tax Issues, Insurance Claims, Miscellaneous Contracts; BOCES Labor Relation Services.

**Official Representative of the Lead Educational Agency:** Authorized the Superintendent as the official representative of the Lead Educational Agency to execute documents on behalf of the District.

**Authority to Approve Unpaid Leave Requests**: Authorized Superintendent to approve employee requests for unpaid leaves up to five days.

**Bonding of Personnel:** Resolved that District Treasurer and District Deputy Treasurer be bonded in the amount of \$2.1 million and all other employees in the amount of \$100,000.00.

**Cooperative Bids** – **Erie I BOCES:** Authorized participation in cooperative bids.

Cooperative Bids – Orleans/Niagara BOCES: Authorized participation in cooperative bids.

**Cooperative Bids** – **Erie II BOCES:** Authorized participation in cooperative bids.

**Payment of Bills:** Approved payment of bills on the basis of a proper invoice with an approved and signed purchase order and supporting data.

**Purchasing and Investment Policy:** The Board of Education has reviewed Policy #5220, District Investments, and Policy #5410, Purchasing, as required by law.

**Returned Check Fee:** Approved a service charge in the amount of \$30.00 for checks returned to the District.

**Appoint Administrators to Perform Evaluations and Annual Reviews:** Appointed all North Tonawanda Administrators to perform evaluations and annual reviews.

**Re-Adopt Policy and Code of Ethics:** Approved that all Policies, Rules, Regulations, Standards and Procedures including the adopted Code of Ethics heretofore existing in the District are continued in full force and effective.

**Mileage and Reimbursement Rate:** Resolved that the mileage reimbursement rate will be the IRS Reimbursement Rate per mile for staff use of personal vehicles on official school business.

**Authorization to Require Medical Examinations:** Authorized Superintendent to require any employee(s) to submit to a medical examination to determine his/her fitness to continue employment. Superintendent also authorized to appoint and engage school physician(s) and make such arrangements as are necessary to effectuate.

**Chemical Hygiene Officers:** Authorized the Superintendent to designate the Principal as the Chemical Hygiene Officer in the building and/or program in which the administrator has responsibility.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Alex Domaradzki—Mentoring Program Spain Video

#### **ROUTINE MATTERS**

Approved minutes of the regular meeting of June 5, 2019; Treasurer's Report for May, 2019, Investments Report for May, 2019, 2018-2019 Budget Transfers, Internal Claims Audit Report(s) for June 1-15, 2019, CSE/CPSE Minutes and Placements for January 3, February 4, 6, 26, 27, 28, March 1, 4, 5, 8, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 27, April 1, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 29, May 2, 7, 10, 14, 15, 17, 28, 29, 30, 31, June 3, 4, 6, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 2019.

# **PERSONNEL**

#### Instructional

**Resignation:** Amanda DePasquale, *Elementary Teacher*, effective at the end of business on June 26, 2019.

**Leave Of Absence: Leighann Hoover,** *Building Base Substitute Teacher*, unpaid medical leave, effective March 16, 2019 and terminating June 30, 2019.

**Recall of Staff: Heather Slipko**, *English Teacher*, effective August 30, 2019.

**Appointments: Summer School: Regina Shiesley**, *Alternative High School Tutor*; **Ashley Gaston**, *Alternative High School Tutor*, **Gretchen Scime**, *Child Associate*, all effective July 9, 2019 and terminating no later than August 16, 2019, not to exceed a total of 20 instructional days.

**Tenure Appointment: Bonnie Wydysh,** Special Education Teacher, effective September 20, 2019.

**Appointments: Probationary: Michael Mistriner,** *Business Teacher*, effective August 30, 2019 and ending on August 29, 2023.

**Re-appointments for the 2019-2020 School Year: Sondra Richards**, Part-Time (.6 FTE) Library Media Specialist; **Regina Shiesley**, Alternative High School Tutor; **Ashley Gaston**, Alternative High School Tutor, all effective August 30, 2019 and terminating no later than June 30, 2020.

#### Middle School Activity Advisors for the 2019-2020 School Year:

CLUB/ACTIVITY	ADVISOR	
Telecommunications Club	Lisa Wright	
Student Newspaper	Lisa Czora	
Assembly Coordinator	Lisa Wright	
Student Council	Lisa Czora	
National Junior Honor Society	Jennifer Sturgeon, Angela Duffy	
FACS Club	Kristen Fry	

G.R.E.A.T. Club/Yearbook	Jennifer Finiki	
Activities Treasurer	Michelle Watson	
Photo Club	Andria Janese, Andrea Converso	
Drama Club	Christine Vallas	
School Store	Jennifer Sturgeon	
Recycling Club	Harmony Worral	
Jazz Band	Craig Frazier	
Jr. Librarians Club	Katie LaFever	
Foreign Language Club	Michelle Morgan	
Critter Club	Patricia Munnikhuysen	

#### **Department Coordinators/Team Leaders 2019-2020:**

**Guidance (7-12) - Robert Derrett** 

Business/Technology (7-12) - Stephen Blask

Language Arts (K-6) - Christine Reading

**English (7-8) - Christina Quinn** 

English (9-12) - Darlene Senick

Science (K-6) - Bonnie Hathaway

Science (7-8) - Patricia Munnikhuysen

Science (9-12) - William Breed

Mathematics (K-6) - Karen Anderson

Mathematics (7-8) - Elizabeth Boyko

Mathematics (9-12) - Jean Wiech

Social Studies (7-8) - Sean Reilly

Social Studies (9-12) - Sheila O'Leary-Adcock

Art (K-12) - Melinda Wright

Foreign Language (7-12) - Robert Lucas

Instrumental/Vocal Music (K-12) - Dean Vallas

Library (K-12) - Diane Balcom

Phys Ed/Health/Home & Careers (K-12) - Jennifer Reed

**Special Education (K-6) - Nancy Watson-Duffy** 

Special Education (7-12) - Sarah Corrao

Speech (K-12) - Cynthia Whitehead

Middle School Team Leader (Grade 7) - Lisa Czora

Middle School Team Leader (Grade 7) - Jennifer Sturgeon

Middle School Team Leader (Grade 8) - Elizabeth Boyko

Middle School Team Leader (Grade 8) - Michelle Watson

**Exploratory Coordinator - Christine Vallas** 

Coaches for Fall 2019-2020 School Year: Trevor McCabe, Boys Modified Soccer, Head Coach, Amber Flores-EC, Girls JV Soccer, Head Coach, Sarah Lanier, Girls Modified Soccer, Head Coach, Shawn William, Modified Football, Head Coach.

<sup>\*</sup>EC Emergency Conditional

## **Non-Instructional**

**Leave of Absence: Kevin Weick,** *School Bus Driver*, unpaid medical, effective May 29, 2019 and terminating June 6, 2019.

**Resignation:** Tracy Dargan, *School Nurse*, effective at the end of business on June 21, 2019; Christopher Szegda, *School Bus Driver*, effective June 30, 2019; Luella Crouch, *Teacher Aide*, effective July 1, 2019; Amber Moss, *Teacher Aide*, effective July 1, 2019.

**Appointments: Permanent: Kevin Weick,** *School Bus Driver*, effective August 20, 2019; **Patricia Sullivan**, *Part-Time Typist-NTMS*, effective September 3, 2019.

**Appointments:** Substitute: Christopher Szegda, *School Bus Driver*, effective July 1, 2019; Amber Moss, *Teacher Aide*, effective September 4, 2019; Luella Crouch, *School Bus Attendant*, effective September 4, 2019.

Appointments: Seasonal: Erin Hastings, Charles Lemanski, Steve Steves, Brandon Wade, Michael Rosky, all effective July1, 2019 and terminating no later than August 31, 2019.

\*Work assignments are restricted to all applicable labor laws.

Appointments: Seasonal: Jared Crouch, Isaac Gifford, Austin Hinze, Kelsea Hinze, Christopher Ostrander, Brianna Peiffer, Grace Smith, Patrick Wade, Ashley Burton, Stephanie Burton, Daniel Driscoll, Caitlyn Harnden, Jacob Kujawa-EC, Dylan O'Hara, Jemni Szabad, Stevyn Thomas, Kelsey Zalewski, Joseph Hoffman, all effective July 8, 2019 and terminating no later than August 31, 2019.

 $*EC-Emergency\ Conditional$ 

Appointments: Seasonal: Dolly Cairns, Teacher Aide-PCA; James Akins, School Bus Driver; Kevin Weick, School Bus Driver; Ralph Mullen, School Bus Driver; Jayne Lemke, School Bus Driver; Kevin Anson, School Bus Driver; Erin Campbell, School Bus Driver; Amanda Allen, School Bus Driver; Michael Janda, School Bus Driver; Tammy Brosius, School Bus Driver; Debora Wade, School Bus Driver; Nancy Campbell, School Bus Driver; Julie Zellner, School Bus Driver; Kathy Blakeslee, School Bus Driver; Alejandro Washington, School Bus Driver; Dawn Jones, School Bus Driver; Dennis Toth, School Bus Attendant; Maureen Kissell, School Bus Attendant; Lindsey Huetter, School Bus Attendant; William Cruz, School Bus Attendant; James Urbaniak, School Bus Attendant; Joseph Noack, School Bus Attendant; Lauri Grehlinger, School Bus Attendant; Diana Asaad, School Bus Attendant; Terri Fiegel, School Bus Attendant; Nicole Bice, School Bus Attendant; Victoria Spring, School Bus Attendant; Marie Austin, School Bus Attendant, all effective July 8, 2019 and terminating no later than August 16, 2019.

Increase in hours: Joanne Pagano, Teacher Aide-Spruce Elementary, Melissa Winger, Teacher Aide-, Spruce Elementary, Gina Snyder, Teacher Aide-Spruce Elementary, all an increase of 6 hours.

Administrative – Resignation: Michael Hiller, *Elementary Principal*, contingent upon his appointment as Director of Special Education effective July 31, 2019.

**Administrative – Appointment: Michael Hiller**, *Director of Special Education*, effective August 1, 2019 and terminating July 31, 2023.

# **Hourly Wage Recommendations:**

Position	Current Hourly Rate	Proposed Hourly Rate
Substitute School Monitor	\$11.10	\$11.30
Child Associate	\$11.30	\$13.33

Substitute Teacher Aide	\$13.33 per hour	Non-Instructional
Substitute Typist	\$16.73 per hour	Non-Instructional
Substitute School Nurse	\$21.63 per hour	Non-Instructional
Substitute Cleaners	\$13.62 per hour	Non-Instructional
Substitute Bus Attendants	\$12.93 per hour	Non-Instructional

# **OTHER MATTERS** - Approved as presented

**Dignity Act Coordinators** 

Inter-Municipal Cooperative Agreement—Summer transportation with the City of Tonawanda

Agreement - Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center

Universal Pre-K Community Based Organization Extension

Lease Agreement – BOCES High School & Intermediate School

Wheatfield Pediatrics

District Wide Safety Plan

The NYSUT Retiree Mini Grant

First Student Contract – Increase

Food Service – Meal Price Increase

Social Work Interns 2019-2020

Administrative – Executive Director of Educational Services Agreement

Please direct any questions to the Superintendent's Office

Next Regular Board Meeting August 14, 2019 6:30 p.m.