

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024 – 4:30 P.M.**  
**MEDIA LAB ROOM #1121**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education Work Session was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by Heath Gordon, President presiding.

**ROLL CALL** was taken by the District Clerk

**Members Present:** Heath Gordon, President, Eric Knapp, Vice-President (via Zoom in at 4:40 p.m., left at 5:45 p.m.), Tim Hand, Fred Grusendorf, Max Gilluly, Michelle Kelley

**Absent:** Jamie Willson

**District Personnel:** Dr. Brian Schmitt, Superintendent; Erin Ostrander, Business Official (left at 6:10 p.m.), Pam Winterhalter, District Clerk (left at 5:40 p.m.)

**Staff Members:** Denise Baker (left at 4:36 p.m.), Carolyn Wright (left at 4:43 p.m.), Miranda Hemphill & Brian Edmister (left at 5:20 p.m.), Donna Slawson, (in at 5:01, left at 5:40 p.m.), Chris Graham & Jeff LaBenne (left at 5:40 p.m.), Kim Marciano (left at 6:10 p.m.)

**Guests:** Gavin Weaver (left at 4:36 p.m.), Cassidy Hand & Clayton Babbitt (left at 4:40 p.m.), Addison Middaugh & Chilaleah Ormsby (left at 4:43 p.m.)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was recited.

**Presentations to the Board:**

- Gavin Weaver, President of the Class of 2025 discussed the Prom being held at Alfred Lake Lodge on June 1, 2024 and catered by Alfred State College.
- Cassidy Hand & Clayton Babbitt from the Class of 2024 presented a tentative itinerary for senior trip traveling to Lake Placid on June 16-18, 2024.
- Addison Middaugh & Chilaleah Ormsby from the Future Farmers of America (FFA) Club presented details of an overnight trip to Camp Oswegatchie on February 23-25, 2024. They would be traveling with other FFA chapters including Fillmore, Cuba-Rushford and possibly Bolivar-Richburg based on student interest.
- Jeff LaBenne & Chris Graham presented information on a new camera system. Jeff also spoke about Gaggle, which is an online safety management software program used to monitor student activity.
- Brian Edmister & Miranda Hemphill presented information regarding a new Junior Firefighter Club.

**Persons to Address the Board:**

- Donna Slawson and Kim Marciano discussed the need for an Instructional Coach. This is not a new position and will be filled internally. It was brought up that this position was not filled after the last person left GV. They also discussed the difference between a Mentor and Instructional Coach.

*Eric Knapp left the meeting at 5:45 p.m.*

## **WORK SESSION**

### **Discussed the following items:**

- 2024-25 Budget draft reviewed by Erin Ostrander
- 2024-25 School Board Goals January updates
- For the Good of the Order

**ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by Tim Hand – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School suspends the Board Work Session at 6:13 p.m. to enter into executive session for personnel discussion.

VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

**EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion made by Fred Grusendorf, seconded by Tim Hand – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School exits executive session at 7:07 p.m.

VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School adjourns the work session at 7:08 p.m.

VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Pamela Winterhalter, District Clerk