

OFFICIAL MINUTES
GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024 – 5:30 P.M.
MEDIA CENTER ROOM #1121

The meeting was livestreamed on the school's website: www.genvalley.org

The regular meeting is called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Heath Gordon, President presiding.

Roll Call was taken by District Clerk:

Members Present: Heath Gordon, President; Eric Knapp, Vice-President; Tim Hand, Fred Grusendorf, Max Gilluly, Michelle Kelley

District Personnel: Brian Schmitt, Superintendent; Sara Donlon, 7-12 Principal; Paula Mighells, Curriculum Coordinator/Dean of Students; Sarah Taylor, Director of Special Education & CPSE/CSE Chair; Erin Ostrander, Business Official; Pam Winterhalter, District Clerk

Absent: Jamie Willson

Staff Members: Kim Marciano

Guest: Kelley LaFever

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Persons to Address the Board:

- No persons to address the Board

Presentations to the Board:

- The presentations scheduled for tonight were postponed until the January 23, 2024 Board meeting due to the weather.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Board of Education minutes of the regular meeting dated December 12, 2023, as submitted.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS: Printed copies available for public

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- Business Office/District Treasurer's Report by Ms. Ostrander – The State of the State Address was today by the Governor. The Budget will be reviewed at the January 23th work session.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORTS: Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by Tim Hand - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following Treasurer's Reports as submitted: Extra-Curricular Activity Account 12/1-12/31/23, General Fund - Community Bank, NA Account 12/1-12/31/23, School Lunch Fund 12/1-12/12/31/23, Payroll Account 12/1-12/31/23, Agency Account 12/1-12/31/23, Scholarship Fund 12/1-12/31/23, Risk Retention (U.I. Reserve) 12/1-12/31/23, Capital Fund 12/1-12/31/23, Special Aid Account 12/1-12/31/23.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE WARRANT REPORTS: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following Accounts Payable Warrant Reports - Dated January 5, 2024 as submitted: School Lunch Fund #7, Federal Fund #6, General Fund #7.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE BOCES UNIT COST METHODOLOGY: Motion made by Eric Knapp, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the proposed basis of service charges of the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie- Wyoming BOCES for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE REVENUE STATUS REPORT AND APPROPRIATION STATUS DETAIL REPORT: Motion made by Eric Knapp, seconded by Tim Hand - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Revenue Status Report and the Appropriation Status Detail Report dated 7/1/2023-12/31/2023 as submitted.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA/GENERAL ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Michelle Kelley, seconded by Eric Knapp - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the consent agenda items as follows:

1. Approve the following substitutes: *Pam Russell* of Belmont as substitute cleaner effective December 18, 2023, fingerprint clearance on file; *Aria Barnes* of Belmont as substitute cleaner, pending fingerprint clearance.
2. Approve *CSE/CPSE Recommendations* dated January 2, 2024 as submitted.
3. Approve the following volunteers: *Dana Hand* with the Varsity Boys Baseball team under the supervision of Dennis Miles; *Shelby Hand* with the Track & Field team under the supervision of Rollie Duttweiler and Darren Bradt.
4. Approve *overnight trip request* from Alva Robbins ~ Jazz Band to travel to Disney World In Florida on November 6-9, 2024.
5. Approve *overnight trip request* from Jenn Turybury ~ Middle School to travel to Gettysburg - Washington on June 11-13, 2024.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS:

AMEND MOTION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent - Motion made by Michelle Kelley, seconded by Eric Knapp - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves to amend the motion made at the December 12, 2023 Board of Education Meeting for *Karen Romance*. To change her resignation effective date from January 5, 2024 to December 21, 2023.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT EXTENDED SCHOOL DAY PROGRAM WORKERS: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Fred Grusendorf - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints the following Extended School Day Program Workers for the 2023-24 school year:

- Kellie Schmidt, April Cole ~ After School Tutors, rate of pay \$30 per hour
- April Cole, Brittany Scholes, Amber Edmund, Kristin Fuller, David Fleming, Pam Winterhalter ~ Ski Club Advisors, rate of pay \$20 per hour
- Grace Taylor ~ Program Aide, rate of pay \$15 per hour
- Riley Watson ~ Program Substitute Aide, rate of pay \$15 per hour

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT LONG-TERM SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Marie Dougherty** as Long-Term Special Education Teacher effective January 2, 2024. The salary for the 2023-24 school year shall be Step 1, \$47,300 with benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. (*Replacing Karen Romance*)

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent - Motion made by Michelle Kelley, seconded by Eric Knapp - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves leave of absence request for **Erin Ostrander** from her position of School Business Official, for the period of on or about April 8, 2024 through June 17, 2024, using accumulated sick days.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent - Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Kelly LaFever**, who holds a Permanent School Psychologist, a NYS Licensed Psychologist, and a Nationally Certified School Psychologist certifications, to the position of School Psychologist in the School Psychologist tenure area, for a probationary period of three (3) years, to commence on or about January 19, 2024 and conclude on January 18, 2027. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on Kelly receiving APPR ratings of Effective or Highly Effective in 3 of the 4 preceding years and no Ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year. The salary for the 2023-24 school year shall be Step 27, \$70,869 with benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. (*Replaces Brianna Bouge*)

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Eric Knapp, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Lynn Hayes** as Teacher Aide, due to retirement, effective June 27, 2024. Retirement benefits shall be under the terms and conditions of the CSEA Contract

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by Tim Hand - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Penny Shipman** as Teacher Aide, due to retirement, effective September 3, 2024. Retirement benefits shall be under the terms and conditions of the CSEA Contract.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Eric Knapp - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of *William Shipman* as Custodian, due to retirement, effective September 3, 2024. Retirement benefits shall be under the terms and conditions of the CSEA Contract.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of *Marilyn Barnes* as Food Service Worker, due to retirement, effective June 30, 2024. Retirement benefits shall be under the terms and conditions of the CSEA Contract.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by Tim Hand - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves leave of absence request for *Devan Healy* from her position of Account Clerk Typist, for the period of on or about May 3, 2024 through on or about August 1, 2024, using accumulated sick, personal, vacation and/or unpaid days.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE LONG~TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ASSISTANT: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints *Kristy Herring* as Long~Term Substitute Teacher Assistant effective January 2, 2024. The salary for the 2023-24 school year shall be 50% of Step 1, \$23,650 with benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. (*Replacing Marie Dougherty*)

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION:

Upcoming Board Meetings:

- Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session Only
- Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. – Board Agenda Meeting, District Office (Heath, Eric & Max)
- Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. – Regular Board of Education Meeting

Informational / Discussion:

- Annual Legislative Breakfast on February 3, 2024 at Allegany Limestone Central School, registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Please let Pam Winterhalter know before January 26, 2024 if you would like to attend.
- Upcoming Delegates Business Meeting is March 21, 2024 at Moonwinks
- Yearbook Ad from the Board of Education

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School suspends the regular meeting at 5:51 p.m. to enter into executive session for personnel discussion.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley – BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School exits executive session at 7:41 p.m.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School adjourns the regular meeting at 7:41 p.m.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Pamela A. Winterhalter
District Clerk