

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING &**  
**BUDGET WORK SESSION**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.**  
**MEDIA LAB ROOM #1121**

*The meeting was livestreamed on the school's website: [www.genvalley.org](http://www.genvalley.org)*

**The regular meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Tim Hand, President presiding.**

**Roll Call was taken by District Clerk:**

**Members Present:** Tim Hand, President; Heath Gordon, Vice-President; Bev Evans; Donald Baker (technology difficulties joining meeting via Zoom - in at 6:11 p.m.); Fred Grusendorf; Joshua Shannon

**Member Absent:** Eric Knapp

**District Personnel:** Brian Schmitt, Superintendent; Brian Edmister, PK-6 Principal; Megan Retchless, Director of Special Education & CPSE/CSE Chair; Paula Mighells, Dean of Students/Curriculum Coordinator; Erin Ostrander, Business Official; Pam Winterhalter, District Clerk

**Staff Members:** Alva Robbins (left at 5:35 p.m.); Brock Mapes (left at 5:50 p.m.); Kim Marciano

**Guests:** Rebecca Webb, Caroline Mapes, Michael Mead (all left at 5:50 p.m.)

**The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Persons to Address the Board:**

- No scheduled guests

**Presentations to the Board:**

- Dr. Schmitt presented details on behalf of Darren Bradt for the Archery Club overnight trip to Louisville, Kentucky on May 11-13, 2022.
- Alva Robbins presented details for the Marching Band (Grades 8-12) overnight trip to Cedar Point and Cleveland Zoo on May 28-29, 2022.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Fred Grusendorf - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Board of Education minutes of the regular meeting dated March 14, 2022, as submitted.

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

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**APPROVE COOPERATIVE NATURAL GAS BID:** Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded Bev Evans - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following resolution:

**GENERAL RESOLUTION**  
**FOR THE PURPOSE OF**  
**PARTICIPATING IN A COOPERATIVE BID COORDINATED BY**  
**THE BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF**

**ONTARIO, SENECA, WAYNE AND YATES COUNTIES**

**FOR**

**Cooperative Natural Gas Bid WFL 2023-19**

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education, *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State desires to participate in a Cooperative Bidding Program conducted by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties from year to year or, until this Resolution is rescinded, for the purchase of supply of natural gas. And...

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education, *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State is desirous of participating with The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties in the joint bid of the commodities and/or services mentioned below as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o... And...

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education, *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State has appointed The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties as representative to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting the results to the Board of Education, *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State and making recommendations thereon...

**THEREFORE...**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That The Board of Education, *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State and The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties hereby accepts the appointment of The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties to represent it in all matters related above... And...

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That The Board of Education *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State authorizes the above-mentioned Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties to represent it in all matters regarding the entering into contract for the purchase of the below-mentioned commodities and/or services... And...

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That The Board of Education *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs incurred as a result of the cooperative bidding... And...

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That The President on behalf of the Board of Education, *Genesee Valley School District* of New York State hereby is authorized to participate in cooperative bidding conducted by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties for supply of natural gas and if requested to furnish The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties an estimated minimum number of units that will be purchased by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties. The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates Counties is hereby authorized to award cooperative bids to the bidder deemed to be the lowest responsive and responsible meeting the bid specifications and otherwise complying with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York relating to public bids and contracts.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA/GENERAL ACTION ITEMS: None**

## PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS:

**AMEND MOTION:** Motion made by Bev Evans, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves to amend the motion made at the February 14, 2022 Board of Education Meeting to read as follows: **Kim Marciano** as Website Designer for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year, due to William Horton retirement, pay shall be pro-rated. *(not per GVEA Teacher's contract)*

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

**APPOINT BUSINESS TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Kimberly Marciano** who holds a Permanent New York State Teaching Certificate in Business & Distributive Education to the position of Business teacher effective July 1, 2022. Kim is changing from Family & Consumer Science teacher to Business teacher. Kim was previously granted tenure in the Business tenure area at the April 17, 2018 Board of Education meeting, effective June 30, 2018.

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

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Bev Evans, seconded by Fred Grusendorf - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Audrey Beller** as Long Term Substitute English teacher effective March 25, 2022.

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

**APPOINT FULL TIME BUSINESS TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Bev Evans, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Michael Mead**, who holds a Permanent New York State Teaching Certificate in Business & Distributive Education, a Permanent New York State Teaching Certificate in Social Studies 7-12, and a Permanent New York State Certificate in School District Administrator, to the position of full time probationary position of Business Teacher effective March 29, 2022 in the Business tenure area. There is a probationary period of four (4) years, to commence March 29, 2022 and conclude March 28, 2026. This appointment includes Professional Development work during the summer of 2022. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on **Michael** 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 remainder of the 2021-22 school year shall be Step 24 pro-rated including 75 sick days, benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. *(New position)*

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

**APPOINT FULL TIME MUSIC TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Bev Evans - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Caleb Durant**, pending New York State Music Teaching Certificate, to a full-time probationary position of Music teacher effective August 29, 2022 in the Music tenure area. There is a probationary period of four (4) years, to commence on August 29, 2022 and conclude on June 30, 2026. This appointment includes Professional Development work during the summer of 2022. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on **Caleb** 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 first year appointment shall be Step 1 for the 2022-23 school year, in accordance with the GVEA contract. *(replacing Thomas Musingo, Jr. retirement)*

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

**APPOINT FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Fred Grusendorf, seconded by Heath Gordon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints *Caroline Mapes*, who has applied for Initial New York State Teaching Certificate in Family & Consumer Sciences Education, to a full-time probationary position of Family & Consumer Science Teacher effective August 29, 2022 in the Family & Consumer Science tenure area. There is a probationary period of four (4) years, to commence August 29, 2022 and conclude June 30, 2026. This appointment includes Professional Development work during the summer of 2022. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on *Caroline* 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 2022-23 school year shall be Step 3, benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. *(replacing Kim Marciano who will be moving to Business teacher)*

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

**APPOINT ENGLISH TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints *Rebecca Webb* who holds a Professional New York State Teaching Certificate in English Language Arts 7-12, to a full-time probationary position of English Language Arts 7-12 Teacher effective August 29, 2022 in the English Language Arts tenure area. There is a probationary period of three (3) years, to commence August 29, 2022 and conclude June 30, 2025. (Rebecca previously received tenure at CA BOCES). This appointment includes Professional Development work during the summer of 2022. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on *Rebecca* 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 2022-23 school year shall be Step 20, benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. *(replaces Dan Anger's vacant position)*

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

**APPOINT ELEMENTARY TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Bev Evans, seconded by Fred Grusendorf - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints *Jill Vossler* who has applied for an Initial New York State Teaching Certificate in Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) and holds a Teaching Assistant, Level III Certificate, to a full-time probationary position of Elementary Teacher effective August 29, 2022 in the Elementary tenure area. There is a probationary period of four (4) years, to commence August 29, 2022 and conclude June 30, 2026. This appointment includes Professional Development work during the summer of 2022. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on *Jill* 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 2022-23 school year shall be Step 3, benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. *(replacing an Elementary teacher)*

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

**APPOINT ELEMENTARY TEACHER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Josh Shannon, seconded by Heath Gordon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints *April Miller* who holds an initial New York State Teaching Certificate in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), and an initial New York State Teaching Certificate in Students With Disabilities (Grades 1-6), to a full-time probationary position of Elementary Teacher effective August 29, 2022 in the Elementary tenure area. There is a probationary period of four (4) years, to commence August 29, 2022 and conclude June 30, 2026. This appointment includes Professional Development work during the summer of 2022. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on *April* 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 2022-23 school year shall be Step 3, benefits in accordance with the GVEA contract. *(replacing an Elementary teacher)*

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

**APPROVE LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE CAFETERIA WORKER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent - Motion made by Fred Grusendorf, seconded by Bev Evans - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves **Kimberly Baker**, to a non-probationary position of long-term substitute as cafeteria worker effective March 29, 2022. Pay shall be per CSEA contract with no benefits, as per Board Policy.

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

**ACCEPT RESIGNATION:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent Motion made by Fred Grusendorf, seconded by Bev Evans - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Andrew Edmister** as Teacher Aide effective April 29, 2022.

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

**APPOINT FULL TIME CLEANER:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded by Bev Evans - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Tina Burnell** to the position of full time cleaner pending fingerprint clearance. There is a 10-month probationary period which will start when we receive full fingerprint clearance. The rate of pay shall be as per CSEA contract. (*replaces Sarah Morrison*)

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

**APPROVE LEAVE OF ABSENCE:** Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent - Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves a maternity leave of absence request for **Erin Ostrander** for the period of on or about July 8, 2022 through on or September 6, 2022, using accumulated sick days.

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

**ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion made by Fred Grusendorf, seconded by Heath Gordon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School suspends the regular order of business at 5:50 p.m. to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel discussion.

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

**RESUME REGULAR BUSINESS:** Motion made by Fred Grusendorf, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School resumes the regular order of business at 6:10 p.m.

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

#### **INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION:**

##### Upcoming Board Meetings:

- Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. – Adopt GV & BOCES Budgets
- Monday, May 9, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. – Budget Hearing & Regular Board of Education Meeting
- Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 12-8 p.m. - District Election in Angelica and Belmont / Accept Vote Results

**ADJOURNMENT REGULAR MEETING:** Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded by Josh Shannon - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School adjourns the regular meeting at 6:11 p.m.

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

**\*\*Don Baker was able to join the work session meeting via Zoom at 6:11 p.m.**

**WORK SESSION called to order at 6:11 p.m. by Tim Hand, President presiding:**

- 2022-23 Board of Education Meeting Schedule (draft to be approved at the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting)
- Fleet & Fleet Rotation 2022
- Vehicle Monthly Mileage 2020-21 & 2021-22
- 2022-23 Budget Presentation by Dr. Schmitt and Erin Ostrander
- For the Good of the Order – Next Athletic Committee meeting with Belfast district is scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. in Belfast. Don Baker would like to join the meeting via Zoom.  
To Discuss: Spring Sports, Uniforms, AD sharing

**ADJOURNMENT WORK SESSION:** Motion made by Heath Gordon, seconded by Josh Shannon -  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School adjourns the meeting  
at 6:49 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted:

Pamela A. Winterhalter  
District Clerk