

Date: November 8, 2023
Where Held: School Cafeteria
Members Present: B. Whitacre, S. Karn, V. Nolan, J. Beehm, D. Brean
Others Present:
Ronald Pavlus, Superintendent/Elementary Principal
Tiffany Lopesz, Business Manager
Christa Case, District Clerk
Ken Plows, Head Custodian

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting
Presiding Officer: B. Whitacre
Members Absent: 0

I. CALL TO ORDER

Following a Financial Audit Committee meeting, the November 8, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:54 p.m. by Board President, B. Whitacre.

Building Entry System Presentation by FES

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda consisting of Approval of: Warrants; Minutes.

Motion carried: 5-0

III. COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Additions/Amendments to the Agenda

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education approves the Agenda for the November 8, 2023, as amended.

Discussion: Add Executive Session to discuss matters related to a particular student and contract negotiations.

Motion carried: 5-0

Business Communications:

Superintendent Communications:

IV. PUBLIC FORUM: None

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. CSE Recommendations

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the provision of services as recommended by the Committee on Special Education for the following number: 12508, as attached.

Motion carried: 5-0

B. Approval of: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN COOPERATIVE ENERGY PURCHASING SERVICE (NYSMEC) FOR ELECTRICITY

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

WHEREAS, *Brookfield Central School District* (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Participant") is a "municipal corporation" as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May 2005 (the "Agreement"), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium ("NYSMEC") upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the *Brookfield Central School District* to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs *Tiffany Lopesz, Business Manager* to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for electricity on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of electricity delivered to the delivery point of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity electricity not to exceed \$.0845 cents per kWh for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2024, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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C. Approval of: Notice to Bidders – School Bus

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following notice to bidders:

Brookfield Central School is accepting sealed bids for the sale of one (1) 2013 Blue Bird model school bus.

General specifications are:

Current mileage: approx. 121,000

20 pupil capacity

Fuel type: Gasoline

V8 Engine

Detailed specifications are available by contacting Wayne Walker, Transportation Director.

Bids will be accepted at the district office until Noon on November 29, 2023. Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on November 29, 2023.

Motion carried: 5-0

D. Personnel: Appointment of Winter Sports Season Coaches

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following coaches for the 2023-2024 winter sports season:

Kiara Strough	Girls Varsity Volleyball
Karen Howlett	Girls Modified Volleyball
Ken Plows	Girls Modified Basketball
Kallie Jaquay	Boys Modified Basketball
Kevin Abrams	Boys JV Basketball

Such appointments are contingent upon each coach obtaining all necessary clearance set forth by the Commissioner of Education prior to the first day of practice.

Motion carried: 5-0

E. Personnel: Appointment of Winter Sports Season Assistant Coaches

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of the following assistant coaches for the 2023-2024 winter sports season:

Kristen DePasquale	Assistant Coach, Girls Varsity Volleyball
Sarah Abrams	Assistant Coach, Girls Modified Volleyball
Kallie Jaquay	Assistant Coach, Girls Modified Basketball
Ken Plows	Assistant Coach, Boys Modified Basketball

Such appointments are contingent upon each assistant coach obtaining all necessary clearance set forth by the Commissioner of Education prior to the first day of practice.

Motion carried: 5-0

F. Personnel: Appointment of Attendance Officer

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of Juliet Abrams as Attendance Officer for the 2023-2024 school year.

Stipend for this position is \$500 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion carried: 5-0

G. Personnel: Appointment of Part-Time Teaching Assistant

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the appointment of Debra Thall to the position of Part-Time Teaching Assistant for the 2023-2024 school year, effective September 1, 2023. Salary for this position is \$25,000 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion carried: 5-0

H. Personnel: Appointment of Special Education Teacher

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, pursuant to Section 2509 of the Education Law upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, does hereby appoint **Danine Perry** to the position of Special Education Teacher in the tenure area of Special Education for a reduced probationary period of three years, to commence on November 8, 2023, and to expire on June 30, 2026 (unless extended in accordance with the law). This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provision of Section 3012³ of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. Salary for this position is \$58,900, prorated for the 2023-2024 school year.

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I. Approval of: Financial Statements Audit 2022-2023

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the 2022-2023 Financial Statements Audit as completed by Mostert, Manzanero & Scott, LLP.

Motion carried: 5-0

J. Approval of: District Corrective Action Plan for June 30, 2023 Financial Audit

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Corrective Action Plan for the June 30, 2023 Financial Audit, as attached.

Motion carried: 5-0

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education enters Executive Session at 8:26 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters related to a particular student and contract negotiations.

Motion carried: 5-0

Board Member, S. Karn moved, seconded by Board Member, V. Nolan that the Board returns to open session at 9:28 p.m.

K. Motion to Rescind

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education rescind the following resolution dated October 25, 2023:

B. Approval of: Shared Educational Services Agreement

Motion was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Shared Educational Services Agreement between Madison Central School and Brookfield Central School effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as attached.

Motion defeated: 4-0

Motion carried: 5-0

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Motion carried: 5-0

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the November 8, 2023 meeting at 9:33 p.m. was made by S. Karn, seconded by V. Nolan.

Motion carried: 5-0