

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education / Board Recognition  
Cafetorium, Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School  
Tuesday, October 15, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

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Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge

Board President called meeting to order

Roll Call

Roll Call: Denise McCowan – President  
Zachary Smith – Vice President  
Stephanie Dombrowski  
Jennifer L. Kregg  
Ava-Marie Shonitsky - excused  
Gary Sieczkarek  
James Stachewicz

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by S. Dombrowski, to go into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. for the educational record of a particular person.

Executive Session

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by J. Kregg, to adjourn from Executive Session and resume regular order of business at 6:54 p.m.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

*National Anthem - Music Department – Choirs to sing with band*

Board Appreciation

*Board Appreciation Presentations – Mr. Mochrie, Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Principal*

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Stachewicz, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 17, 2024.

Approve Minutes

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Kregg seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of September, 2024 as submitted.

Approve Reports

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the Student Activities Report and the School Lunch Report for the month of September 2024 as submitted.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the Appropriation Status Report and the Revenue Report for the period ending September 30, 2024 as submitted.

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Kregg, to suspend the reading of each Warrant payment and to approve payments for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Special Aid Fund and Capital Fund as submitted.

Approve Payments

Motion Carried 6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

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Mr. Jeremy Smith, CPA, with Lumsden McCormick, LLP – Required annual independent audit of the District’s financial statement for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Presentations

Student Representative – Monthly highlights for each school

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Alexis Cacciatore be appointed to the Restorative Practice Liaison position at John F. Kennedy High School for the 2024-2025 school year as submitted. This position was vacated by Jesse Brodka on July 25, 2024 and is a grant-funded position.

Appointments  
A. Cacciatore  
Restorative  
Practice Liaison

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by J. Kregg, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Aidan Lane, be appointed as a Full Time, 12-Month, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Cleaner for the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District effective October 16, 2024. This position holds a 6-month probationary period. Compensation and benefits as per the CSEA contract.

A. Lane  
Cleaner

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by J. Stachewicz, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, James Kowalewski be appointed as a Full Time, 12-Month, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian for the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District effective November 4, 2024. This position holds a 6-month probationary period. Compensation and benefits as per the CSEA contract.

J. Kowalewski  
Custodian

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the list of teaching substitutes as submitted.

Approve  
Substitutes

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by Z. Smith seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the recommendation from the CPSE / CSE as submitted.

Approve  
CPSE/CSE

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by J. Stachewicz, to adopt the following resolution:

Substitute  
Payrate

WHEREAS, the District’s current rate for substitute teachers that have retired from the Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District is \$135.00 per day, and  
WHEREAS, these individuals have experience and an interest in continuing to work with our District,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves an increase in the daily rate for substitute teachers that previously retired from the District from \$135.00 per day to \$150.00 per day.

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Absent 0 Abstain



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Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by J. Stachewicz, to accept the following Statement of Profit and Loss:

Statement of Profit and Loss

- The Varsity K Club sold snacks at the JFK HS concession stand during the September JFK football games and held a chicken BBQ dinner during the homecoming game on September 21, 2024. The statement shows a profit of \$213.58.

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes   0 Noes   1 Absent   0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by J. Kregg, to approve the following Fundraising requests:

Fundraisers

- JFK Class of 2025 to hold an after-school Halloween event for grades 9-12 at JFK High School on October 29, 2024 from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Proceeds will be used to offset the cost of senior activities.
- JFK National Honor Society to hold a bottle/can drive at Valu Home Center on Rossler Avenue in Cheektowaga on November 2, 2024 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Proceeds will be used for induction costs, senior honor cords, and T-shirts.
- JFK National Honor Society to hold a personalized candy cane sale during the week of December 9, 2024 through December 13, 2024. Proceeds will be used for induction costs, senior honor cords, and T-shirts.
- JFK Middle School and High School Choruses to hold an Ecoscents Candle sale from February 4, 2025, through February 11, 2025. Proceeds will be used for their field trips and JFK Chorus and Concert Choir T-shirts.
- The prior approved fundraiser for the Varsity K Volleyball tournament has requested to change the date from October 30, 2024 to November 14, 2024. All other information remains the same.

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes   0 Noes   1 Absent   0 Abstain

Motion by J. Stachewicz seconded by G. Sieczkarek, to approve the request from the Town of Cheektowaga Youth and Recreation Department to use the John F. Kennedy High School pool on the dates and times, as requested, on their submitted letter dated September 18, 2024.

Use of Facilities:

Town of Cheektowaga Youth and Recreation

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes   0 Noes   1 Absent   0 Abstain

Motion by G. Sieczkarek seconded by S. Dombrowski, to approve the request from the Erie County Restorative Justice Coalition to use the Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Cafetorium on January 6, 2025 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Erie Co. Restorative Justice Coalition

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes   0 Noes   1 Absent   0 Abstain

Motion by S. Dombrowski seconded by Z. Smith, to adjourn this meeting at 7 :54 p.m.

Adjourn

Motion Carried                      6 Ayes   0 Noes   1 Absent   0 Abstain

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Knaebe  
District Clerk