

Date: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place: MHS Room 42

Present: Jeffrey Black, Matthew Kahm, Devine Leacock, Karen Loucks, Diana Maguire, Dr. Mathanakaran, Maggie Nuss, Michele Spring, Tatymn Lindell (Student BOE Member)

Absent: Brandi Porcello

Tony Giannicchi, Superintendent of Schools; Daniele Vecchio, Business Administrator; Kristin Colburn, District Clerk

Others Present: 0 visitors

1) Call to Order

**Call to Order**

2) Pledge to Flag

**Pledge**

3) Changes to Agenda-None

4) Public Comment- *The Public Comment section is a time set aside for the community to speak directly to the Board of Education. As per policy 1510, each speaker is given three minutes, with the total allotted time to last no more than 30 minutes. When called, please stand up and state your name and address. Please be respectful in your comments and do not divulge any personal or confidential information. Please demonstrate respect by speaking to the issues, sharing ideas and opinions, but not engaging in personal attacks. Board members, the superintendent and administrators will not answer specific questions or engage in dialogue. The information shared will be carefully considered and the appropriate person will contact you. Rest assured, we are listening carefully, and take seriously what you have to say. The Board appreciates your willingness to share your concerns/celebrations.*

5) Approve Agenda

Motion by Mathanakaran Second by Spring  
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt the agenda of the July 9, 2024, Board of Education Meeting.

**Motion-To Adopt BOE Agenda**

8 Yes            0 No            0 Abstain            Motion carried

6) Congrats/Celebrations-

**Congrats/  
Celebrations**

a) Eric Jones completed his gator sand sculpture out front. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade kids took great pride in helping him. It looks awesome (the rain has weathered it a bit but still hanging on!)

- b) We are looking forward to a lot of professional development opportunities for teachers this summer and planning ahead. Some opportunities involve de-escalation/CPI training, Science of Reading, book studies etc.
- c) CA BOCES is providing new content and assisting with the animation wall updates
- d) The summer childcare program is up and running.
- e) Congratulations to the 91 members of the Class of 2024 - the 29th graduating class of Allegany-Limestone Central School. Great job to our Valedictorian and Salutatorian for their speeches, and the Senior High Chorus Ensemble directed by Miss Scalise and accompanied by Mrs. Falvey. Thank you to the graduation committee who always do such a great job of organizing the event, as well as the administration and Board of Education.
- f) Our Shooting Stars basketball camp was a SLAM DUNK again this year. Thank you to our varsity basketball coaches - Coach Darrow and Coach Anderson - and their assistants for helping the kids work on their basketball skills all while making sure everyone had fun!

7) Consent Agenda:

Motion by Leacock Second by Kahm  
To approve the Consent Agenda.

**Motion-Approval of  
Consent Agenda**

- a) Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on June 25, 2024.
- b) Action Items – Personnel

**2024-2025 Coaches**

Grace DeCapua-Modified Soccer

Emma McCarthy-Modified Volleyball

Damin Crowley/Brad Barton-Assistant Modified Football

**Removal of Substitutes**

Alek Shubert (Cleaner)

Cynthia Valle (Cafeteria)

Julia Fagle (Teacher)

Amy Noga (Teacher)

Melanie Hudson (Teacher/Teacher Aide)

Letha Rollins (Teacher/Teacher Aide)

Taylor Reynolds (Teacher/Teacher Aide)

Lynn Bergreen (Teacher)

Conner Golley (Teacher)

Mary McGuire (Cleaner/Cafeteria)

Sara Johnson (Nurse)

Taylor Davis (Teacher)

Maura Vossler (Teacher)

Alison McIntosh (Teacher)

Aileen Sirianni (Teacher)

Emily Phelan (Teacher)

Mallory Voegelin (Teacher)  
Brooke Potter (Teacher)  
Shantia Taylor (Teacher)  
Katherine Howe (Teacher Aide)  
Kara Stoever (Teacher)

c) Action Items – Business

**Disposal of Old Damaged Books**

938 library books from MHS

**UPB Student Observers for Fall Semester**

Sasha Degnan with Ben Westlund

Madison Hartman with Kathy Stamets and Miranda Green

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

8) Superintendent’s Report-

- a) Professional Development this summer for teachers.
- b) Building Project planning-December vote
- c) Vacancies-Elem. Teacher/Math/MS Science and Biology
- d) YMCA Program article in the Olean Times Herald-Thank you Daniele.

**Superintendent’s Report**

9) President’s Report-

- a) Thanks for your confidence- I will do my best as President.

**President’s Report**

10) Student Board Member Report-Regents week went well and all are enjoying the summer now.

**Student BOE Report**

11) Committee Reports-Email exchanges with Personnel

**Committee Reports**

12) Correspondence-None

13) Action Item-Business

- a) Motion by Kahm Second by Leacock

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the 2024-2025 Tax Warrant and to authorize Daniele Vecchio, Business Administrator, to calculate the tax rate for each municipality in the Allegany-Limestone School District for the 2024-2025 school year using formulas provided by the NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services and to have tax bills printed by the Cattaraugus County Office of Real Property.

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

**Motion-Approval of Tax Warrant**

- b) Motion by Black Second by Loucks Motion-Approval of MOA  
 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Allegany-Limestone Central School District and the Allegany-Limestone Teachers' Association, as presented to the Board, which provides for an increase in compensation for science teachers that accept an additional instructional period during the 2024-2025 school year in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.  
 8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

14) Action Item – Personnel

- a) Motion by Nuss Second by Loucks Motion-To Accept Resignation  
 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **Sheila Green-Callen** from the position of Spanish Teacher, effective July 1, 2024.  
 8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- b) Motion by Leacock Second by Spring Motion-Approval of Appointment  
 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to conditionally appoint, **Grace DeCapua** who holds New York Initial New York State Teaching Certificate in English, as a teacher in the English tenure area for a four (4) year probationary period to commence on August 28, 2024, and end on August 28, 2028. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on Grace 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 expiration date of this probationary appointment is tentative and conditional only. In order to be eligible and considered for tenure, the teacher must meet all requirements of education law and corresponding regulations. The salary will be paid in accordance with the salary schedule outlined in the collective bargaining agreement with the Allegany-Limestone Teachers' Association and the Board of Education based upon Schedule B, Step 1. (Jamie Berg)  
 8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- c) Motion by Nuss Second by Leacock Motion-Approval of Appointment  
 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to conditionally appoint, **Jenna McDonald** who holds New York Initial New York State Teaching Certificate in French (7-12), as a teacher in the French tenure area for a four (4) year probationary period to commence on August 28, 2024, and end on August 28, 2028. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on Jenna 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 expiration date of this probationary appointment is tentative and conditional only. In order to be eligible and considered for tenure, the teacher must meet all requirements of education law and corresponding regulations.

The salary will be paid in accordance with the salary schedule outlined in the collective bargaining agreement with the Allegany-Limestone Teachers' Association and the Board of Education based upon Schedule B, Step 2. (S. Green-Callen)

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- d) Motion by Mathanakaran Second by Loucks Motion-Approval of Appointment

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint **Dylan Booker**, as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher for Physical Education, effective August 28, 2024 to December 1, 2024, based upon Schedule B, Step 1. (K. Arnold)

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- e) Motion by Nuss Second by Kahm Motion-Approval of Appointment

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint **Catherine Stevens**, as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher for World Language (Latin/Reading), effective August 28, 2024 to June 27, 2025, based upon Schedule B, Step 10.

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- f) Motion by Leacock Second by Mathanakaran Motion-To Accept FMLA Leave

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the FMLA leave of employee #873, effective July 23, 2024, to August 4, 2024.

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- g) Motion by Kahm Second by Loucks Motion-To Accept FMLA Leave

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the FMLA leave of employee #1183, effective September 30, 2024, to December 23, 2024.

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- h) Motion by Black Second by Loucks Motion-Approval of Stipend

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Middle-High School extracurricular duty stipend as per the Allegany-Limestone Teachers' Association Agreement for the 2024-2025 school year for:

**Amber Cheladyn**                      National Junior Honor Society Advisor  
8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

- 15) New Business-Karen Loucks on Curriculum and Diana Maguire to Personnel New Business

- 16) Adjournment Motion-To Adjourn

Motion by Black Second by Nuss

To adjourn at 7:02 p.m.

8 Yes                      0 No                      0 Abstain                      Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristin Colburn-District Clerk  
Date: 7/9/24