

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place: MHS Room 42

Present: Jeff Black, Matthew Kahm, Dr. Diana Maguire, Dr. Mathanakaran, Maggie Nuss, Brandi Porcello, Michele Spring, Tatum Lindell (Student Board Member)

Absent: Devine Leacock, Karen Loucks

Tony Giannicchi, Superintendent of Schools; Daniele Vecchio, Business Administrator; Kristin Colburn, District Clerk; Maren Bush, ALES Principal

Others Present: 11 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 Nuss Second by Kahm

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt the agenda of the November 12, 2024, Board of Education Meeting.

**Motion-To Adopt
BOE Agenda**

7 Yes

0 No

0 Abstain

Motion carried

6) Congrats/Celebrations-

**Congrats/
Celebrations**

a) We had our monthly Gator program and discussed the character trait of Responsibility. Our district SROs discussed Halloween safety with our students. Thank you to Officer Phillipi and Papke for helping keep our kids safe.

- b) Our 1st grade students were invited to take a field trip to SBU and enjoyed a Halloween craft day with college students currently enrolled in the education program. Special thank you to Madisyn Wright, Student Ambassador and President of the St. Bona's Education Association, for coordinating this fun event.
- c) We had perfect weather for our annual Halloween parade! Special thanks to our families and community members for coming out to support our school.
- d) Upcoming: We will be celebrating World Kindness Day on November 13th- our theme again this year will be "I mustache you to be kind day".
- e) We will be organizing a can food drive to help our local food pantry. This will take place from November 12-22nd.
- f) This year we will be hosting a Holiday Bash sponsored by our 120 Proud committee. This event will take place on Friday, December 13 from 6:00-7:30 @ ALES.
- g) Our teachers continue to provide real-world experiences by orchestrating important academic and experiential field trips. Recently, students have been to Alfred University, Corning Glass Center, University of Pittsburg at Bradford, American Refining Group and Zippo. A big thanks to Mr. Peters and our transportation department (including Mrs. Vecchio and Mrs. Bush) for working through the transportation logistics to keep these experiences coming!
- h) Congratulations to our music department on a successful concert this past Thursday evening. We had a great turn out and the student performers did a wonderful job. Mrs. Stebbins and Ms. Scalise came through in a big way to see this concert through for our students and community.
- i) This past Friday brought the close of the first quarter. We are looking to forward to reviewing data to see how we can improve numbers for the second quarter. With the cool weather approaching and students and teachers having the first ten weeks under their feet, we are looking forward to the second quarter.
- j) Mrs. Straub and her Student Activities Council have been working hard to put together some great fundraisers that will donate monies to hurricane relief in North Carolina. A big thank you to Mrs. Straub for these efforts and showing our students and community what charity looks like. Totals are not in yet but many people participated and the outlook is great!
- k) Congratulations to our Girls Varsity Soccer and Swimming Teams and their coaches on great seasons! They worked hard and the students made many wonderful memories.
- l) Congratulations to our Boys Varsity Team for winning the State Quarter finals at Geneseo. They will play this Friday, 11/15 in the State Semifinals at Middletown Highschool against Tully.
- m) Congratulations to our Cross-Country Runners for a great season as well.

7) Consent Agenda:

Motion by Black Second by Mathanakaran
To approve the Consent Agenda.

**Motion-Approval of
Consent Agenda**

- a) Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on October 29, 2024
- b) Action Items – Personnel

Substitute Teachers

Linda Dodd-Nagel

Erica Volz

c) Action Items-Business

To accept the Warrant Reports for October 2024:

General Fund	\$ 1,461,756.09
School Lunch Fund	\$ 34,846.23
Special Aid Fund	\$ 95,463.10
Capital Project	\$ 27,050.00

To place on file, the Budget Report thru October 2024.

To accept the Treasurer's Reports and Extraclassroom Activities Reports for October 2024.

Donation of Items

9 books for the ALES Library in memory of Terry Jones donated by ALES Faculty and Staff

- d) CSE Minutes-October 29, 2024, October 30, 2024, November 5, 2024, and November 7, 2024
504 Minutes-November 5, 2024

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

8) Presentations

Presentations

- a) National Junior Honor Society Students, Mrs. Stacy Luce and Ms. Amber Cheladyn
- b) Academic Boosters with Tracy DeRose
- c) MP Attendance, Discipline and Restorative Practices Data with Maren Bush

9) Discussion

Discussions

- a) Final Reading of Revised Policy 3421-Title IX and Sex Discrimination
- b) Final Reading of Revised Policy 5661-Wellness
- c) Final Reading of Revised Policy 7554-Equal Educational Opportunities
- d) Final Reading of New Policy 7555-Educational Services for Married/Pregnant Students

10) Superintendent's Report-

Superintendent's Report

- a) Capital Project Vote-December 18-flyers made, newsletter mailing, video being produced
- b) Strategic Thinking Committee-working on Vision Statement-will put out to the public for feedback.
- c) Met with the Sports Boosters and will have information available at the Sports Boosters Fundraiser on 11/16/24.

11) President's Report-

President's Report

- a) Sports Boosters Fundraiser-information will be available regarding the Capital Project.

12) Student Board Member Report-

Student BOE Report

- a) Boys Soccer Team headed to States-will have a spectator bus for fans-will have a big student body going.
- b) Gator Lobby has beautiful photography from the Photography Class being displayed.
- c) Tote bags for sale from NJHS
- d) Europe Trip leaves in two weeks

13) Committee Reports-None

14) Correspondence-None

15) Action Item- Business

- a) Motion by Nuss Second by Porcello
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt revised Policy 3421-Title IX and Sex Discrimination.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Motion-To Adopt Revised Policy

- b) Motion by Nuss Second by Kahm
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt revised Policy 5661-Wellness.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Motion-To Adopt Revised Policy

- c) Motion by Nuss Second by Mathanakaran
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt revised Policy 7554-Equal Educational Opportunities.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Motion-To Adopt Revised Policy

- d) Motion by Porcello Second by Kahm
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt new Policy 7555-Educational Services for Married/Pregnant Students.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Motion-To Adopt New Policy

- e) Motion by Mathanakaran Second by Kahm
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the School Tax Collector's Report for the 2024-2025 school year.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Motion-To Accept School Tax Collector's Report

16) Action Item – Personnel

- a) Motion by Black Second by Nuss
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the Middle-High School extracurricular duty stipends as per the Allegany-Limestone Teachers' Association Agreement for the 2024-2025 school year:

Motion-Approval of Stipends

Kim Stebbins Co-Musical Director
Alex Scalise Co-Musical Director
Ben Westlund Jazz Band

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

- b) Motion by Black Second by Porcello
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the FMLA leave of employee #351, effective November 6, 2024, to December 18, 2024.

Motion-To Accept FMLA Leave

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

- c) Motion by Nuss Second by Spring
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the FMLA leave of employee #1124, effective November 11, 2024, to January 5, 2025.

Motion-To Accept FMLA Leave

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

17) New Business-None

18) Adjournment

Motion by Nuss Second by Mathanakaran
To adjourn at 7:04 p.m.

Motion-To Adjourn

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

**Kristin Colburn-District Clerk
Date: 11/12/24**