



BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 4, 2022
6 PM - NEW YORK MILLS UFSD - VIRTUAL/LIVE STREAM

☒ Jacqueline Edwards
☒ Kristin Hubley
☒ Michelle Jordan
☒ Scott Carman
☒ Steve King
☒ Alicia Albright
☒ Kimberly Gyore

Agenda Item	Who	Information Distributed	Action	Notes
1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER				
1.1 Pledge to the Flag	K. Hubley		Procedural	
1.2 Reading of the New York Mills UFSD Mission Statement.	S. Scharf		Procedural	
1.3 Acceptance of Agenda	J. Edwards	Yes	Action	1 st M. Jordan 2 nd S. King / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
2. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS				
2.1 President's Message	J. Edwards		Information	
<i>Ms. Edwards thanked the BOE, particularly Kristin Hubley for being compassionate and kind during the loss of Ms. Edward's brother.</i>				
2.3 BOCES Representative Report	G. Porcelli		Information	<i>None at this time</i>
2.4 Committee Reports			Information	
Policy Committee – K. Gyore, S. Carman, A. Albright - None at this time				
Survey/Communications Committee – K. Hubley, K. Gyore - None at this time				

Transportation Committee – S. Carman, A. Albright - *None at this time*

Health & Safety Committee – S. King, M. Jordan - *None at this time*

Facilities Committee – M. Jordan, K. Hubley, J. Edwards - *None at this time*

SBI Committee – S. King – *He believes there is a training coming up on Monday, January 10th as well as the 27th, he will keep everyone posted.*

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approval of 3.2/3.3 Consent Agenda	J. Edwards	Yes	Action	1 st S. Carman 2 nd K. Hubley / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
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3.2 Business Office Reports (Consent)		Yes		
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3.3 CSE Reports (Consent)		Yes		
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3.4 Approval of the Previous Minutes	12.7.2021	Yes	Action	1 st S. King 2 nd K. Gyore / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
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4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Capital Updates	J. Shelmidine	Yes	Information	
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The new sign hook up will be Wednesday, and be ready for National Grid, and our hope is for the end of this week, beginning of next week. We did receive final approval for the capital outlay for the nurses' office and for the energy performance contract. All of these items are starting to pull in and the facilities committee will be addressing some of those to map out what is happening when.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Personnel Report	J. Shelmidine	Yes	Action	1 st M. Jordan 2 nd S. Carman / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
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5.2 Approval of the 2022-2023 Budget Calendar	J. Shelmidine	Yes	Action	1 st K. Gyore 2 nd K. Hubley / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
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5.3 January 4, 2021 – October 31, 2022 Ice Control Agreement with the Town of New Hartford.	L. Stamboly	Yes	Action	1 st M. Jordan 2 nd S. King / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
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5.4 Cooperative Purchasing Resolution	L. Stamboly	Yes	Action	1 st K. Gyore 2 nd S. Carman / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
5.5 Generic Resolution/DCMO BOCES	L. Stamboly	Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd K. Gyore / Yes __7__ No__ Abstain __
6. K-12 REPORTS				
6.1 K-6 Report	B. Dodge		Information	
<i>We've only been back a couple of days so there isn't a great deal to report. We are trying to transition back with a lot of kids out and quarantined in isolation and trying to get Google Classrooms in full swing and kids to access them. We are trying to manage who is out/in and are they sick/quarantined (logistical stuff). At this point we are gearing up for our mid-year benchmarks as well as our second quarter benchmarks in English and Math. We've only been back a couple days but we are in full swing. Full speed ahead for State Assessments, kids are ready, the teachers are ready and it's pretty positive.</i>				
6.2 7-12 Report	M. Facci		Information	
<i>From the High School end, she would reiterate what Mr. Dodge said; they are looking at who is quarantined, who might be and just making sure we are communicating to the teachers. Teachers are utilizing Google Classroom at this point so they can provide instruction at home for the students who are quarantined. We are working on our January mid-term schedule. Students won't have classes, they will just be coming in for specific exams and those exams will be mirroring State Exams and Regents Exams. If it is not a core course, they will be taking a shorter exam prior to that week.</i>				
7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT				
7.1 Enrollment Update	J. Shelmidine	Yes	Information	
Enrollment numbers are continuing to rise, over 300 students right now in our elementary which is a wonderful problem to have. We are making sure we have places for all of those children.				
7.2 Superintendent's Update	J. Shelmidine	Yes	Information	
<i>Dr. Shelmidine addressed the Test to Stay Plan that the State Department of Public Health, the Governor as well as the Oneida County Department of Public Health has approved. Our test to stay protocol mimics exactly what the county protocol will be. This essentially means that if a student is asymptomatic and if they would normally have been quarantined because they were in close contact through school contact, sitting next to someone on the bus, where they would normally have had to quarantine, now that student would now be considered for test to stay. Within 7 days the child would have to be tested three times and more if we felt the need, but on day zero, three, four, five, six or seven. They days they will be testing, we ask that the parent transport their child to school because if they were to test positive, they would have to go directly home. We are hoping this will cut down on the quarantining on the students who have just been exposed. Our goal is to make sure that the students who are in school remain healthy and our staff remains healthy. This is certainly one way that we can make sure this happens and continue the education process for our students. She did get word that the plan that is in front of everyone was approved, and she would like small modifications regarding dates based on the county's recommendation and she would notify the Board of Education in the update. Dr. Shelmidine's goal would to start it next week so that we can maintain the educational program for our students. The home tests we gave out went incredibly well, we gave out 156 on Sunday which is an incredibly percentage, that most of our neighbors did not see. We have since that time handed</i>				

out another 32 on Monday and now having given out over 200 home tests for their children. So that we can also make sure that the students are at home for whatever reason can be tested. The principals and teachers have done a great job as we have had a large number of students out trying to balance and manage that so that the students get the work they need. Again it could not happen without the work of the teachers. Ms. Edwards thanked the Administrators and Staff for all they are doing to keep our children safe.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 From the Floor -

District Clerk

Information

Persons wishing to speak should first be recognized by the President, then identify themselves, any organization they may be representing at the meeting, and the agenda topic or other matter of public concern about our schools that they wish to discuss. Topics must be addressed one at a time with each individual's comments limited to three (3) minutes for a total of twelve (12) minutes designated for the public comment agenda item.

There was a last minute letter sent to the Board, but the individual did not wish to be identified. Protocol requires that the person be identified, therefore the letter was withheld until the person chooses to be identified. The letter was forwarded to Dr. Shelmidine to share with the Board of Education.

8.2 Board Discussion

BOE

Discussion

Ms. Edwards notified the BOE that they will be receiving the Superintendent's Evaluation and she and Mrs. Hubley are trying to get a work session together so that they can collect all of the scores and notify the Superintendent in a timely manner. Mr. King suggested that we do it at the time of the Board Meeting since everyone will already be present. Mrs. Albright and Mrs. Jordan had questions about the testing and vaccination clinic and Dr. Shelmidine answered.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION ** (If Needed)

BOE

Procedural

None at this time.

9.1 Return to General Session (time)

BOE

Procedural

1st _____ 2nd _____ / Yes ___ No___ Abstain ___

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjournment

J. Edwards

Procedural

1st S. King 2nd M. Jordan / Yes __7_ No___ Abstain ___

**§105. Conduct of executive sessions.

1. Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the general area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, a public body may conduct an executive session for the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken to appropriate public moneys:

a. matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed;

b. any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer;

c. information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed;

d. discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation;

e. collective negotiations pursuant to article fourteen of the civil service law;

f. the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;

g. the preparation, grading or administration of examinations; and
h. the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.
2. Attendance at an executive session shall be permitted to any member of the public body and any other persons authorized by the public body.
