



**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BARKER CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
HELD ON APRIL 23, 2019 AT 7:30 A.M.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION ROOM**

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- PRESENT** R. Atwater, M. J. Clemens-Harris, H. Ecker, C. Gancasz
- EXCUSED** L. Mead, J. Sweeney, V. Voss
- ALSO PRESENT** J. Reimer, M. Carter, M. Eadie, C. Heiligenthaler  
Public - 0
- CALL TO ORDER** President Atwater called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.  
A Flag salute was given.
- APPROVE AGENDA** Mr. Reimer noted that the backup information to Item 6. Business & Financial Items, Letter C. with regard to the language on the election ballot for Proposition #1 - the proposed budget for 2019 – 2020 should reflect \$17,272,346 vs. \$17,057,539. With that in mind, the agenda language remains the same but the referenced documentation was amended. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mrs. Ecker, seconded by Mrs. Clemens-Harris.  
Yes: 4  
No: 0  
Motion carried.
- SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION** Mr. Reimer noted that as part of the K-12 bell alignment project, the Kidwatch program was evaluated due to the needs of students and their families for before and after school care. A recommendation from a teacher resulted in the Administration reaching out to the YMCA ("Y") to discuss their program. The school would provide the space to the Y but their employees would run the program. Messrs. Reimer and Carter discussed the differences between KidWatch and the Y's program. They noted: the Y's is more inclusive; could provide coverage for students beginning at approximately 6:30 a.m. until school starts, and again after school up to 6:00 p.m.; would remove an expense/liability from the District; and although slightly higher in cost, payment would be assessed based on an economic need scale and thus is comparable. The YMCA would also provide the opportunity for individuals in the District to earn additional income by working for the Y with this program. An information night is planned for May 9<sup>th</sup> for parents and guardians, and a follow-up sign-up night would be held shortly thereafter to determine need. There is a minimum number of



students which must participate in order for the program to occur. The Board concurred that this is worthwhile to continue evaluating the program and have an outreach to the community.

**PERSONNEL ITEMS** Motion by Mrs. Ecker, seconded by Mrs. Gancasz, approve the acceptance of the letter of resignation from Deborah Farese, Director of Instructional Services, for the purposes of retirement with commendation and regret, effective June 30, 2019.

Yes: 4

No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ecker, seconded by Mrs. Gancasz, approve the Agreement between Barker Central School District and Matthew Ingro, Teacher, executed April 11, 2019.

Yes: 4

No: 0

Motion carried.

**BUSINESS &  
FINANCIAL ITEMS**

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to cast one unanimous vote to approve the resolution for the Orleans-Niagara Board of Cooperative Educational Services 2019 - 2020 Administrative Budget in the amount of \$2,566,271.

Yes: 4

No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, approve the adoption of a resolution casting one unanimous ballot at the annual election of members for the Orleans-Niagara Board of Cooperative Educational Services Board of Education:

- 1.) Newfane Central School District: Ann Kennedy, 6033 Hillcrest Street, Newfane, NY 14108
- 2.) Wilson Central School District: Timothy Kropp, 3720 Wilson-Cambria Road, Wilson, NY 14172
- 3.) North Tonawanda City School District: Colleen Osborn, 377 Roncroff Drive, North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Yes: 4

No: 0

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, seconded by Mrs. Ecker, to approve the adoption of the language for the 2019 – 2020 school year budget and election ballot. The Board then witnessed the ballot draw resulting in Mrs. Clemens-Harris being placed in the first position on the ballot and Mrs. Ecker in the second position.

Yes: 4

No: 0

Motion carried.



**END OF PUBLIC**

**SESSION** The Board concurred that an Executive Session was not needed. Motion by Mrs. Ecker, seconded by Mrs. Clemens-Harris, to end the Public Session and adjourn the meeting at 7:53 a.m.  
Yes: 4  
No: 0  
Motion carried.

**FUTURE EVENTS**

May 13, 2019	6:30 p.m.	Public Hearing - Budget	Auditorium
May 13, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Board Meeting	Board Room
May 21, 2019	7:45 - 9:30 a.m.	Senior Citizen Breakfast	Cafeteria
May 21, 2019	12:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Budget/Election Vote	Auditorium

Respectfully submitted,

Mary H. Eadie  
District Clerk