

OFFICIAL MINUTES
GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026 – 5:30 P.M.
MEDIA CENTER ROOM #1121

The meeting was livestreamed on the school's website: www.genvalley.org

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:29 p.m. by Max Gilluly, Vice-President presiding.

Roll Call was taken by District Clerk:

Members Present: Heath Gordon, President (in at 5:44 p.m.), Max Gilluly, Vice-President, Michelle Kelley, Jamie Willson, Shawn Grusendorf, James Cartwright, Rylee Ordway (Student Representative) (in at 5:34 p.m.)

District Personnel: Dr. Paige Kinnaird, Superintendent; Sara Donlon, 7-12 Principal; Sarah Taylor, PK-6 Principal (in at 5:32 p.m.), Paula Roberts, Curriculum Coordinator/Dean of Students, Pam Winterhalter, District Clerk

Staff Members: Sarah Horne (left at 5:38 p.m.), Holly LaBenne, Keirsten Cartwright, Chris Graham

Guests: Jessica McKnight (left at 5:38 p.m.), Anthony Marra (left at 5:38 p.m.), Addison Bradt, Graham Bradt

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Persons to Address the Board:

- No scheduled guests

Presentations to the Board:

- **Stop DWI** representative Jessica McKnight recognized Chris Graham, Jeff LaBenne, Kim Marciano, Jeff Babbitt and Donna Slawson, for all their help with the Stop DWI mock crashes. Chris accepted the *Outstanding Service Award certificates* on behalf of the others.
- ~~**Legislative Club** to present on trip to Albany~~ (canceled this month)
- **Foreign Travel Trip Club** presented trip to Italy – a video was shown (unfortunately it didn't get shared to the livestream), and a few students shared some highlights from their trip

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion made by Michelle Kelley, seconded by James Cartwright - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the Board of Education minutes of the regular meeting dated December 9, 2025, as submitted.

VOTE: Yes 6 No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA REPORTS: Admin Presentations – Dr. Kinnaird: 1) Smart Schools Bond update, 2) Student Participation (clubs, activities, sports). **Paula Roberts:** 1) Professional Development.

Sarah Taylor: Shared activities happening in the elementary school. **Sara Donlon:** Shared activities in the MS/HS

***Heath Gordon entered meeting*

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Safety and Security Committee met on December 16, 2025 – they discussed the following items: 1) Entrance/Exit for students beginning/end of the day 2) Vandalism in bathrooms 3) Officer Rounds, Chris Graham and Dr. Kinnaird are looking into Bollards to protect pedestrians and property for the front of the school. May qualify under the Homeland Security Critical Infrastructure Grant money 4) New Requirement-Cardiac Emergency Plan in compliance with the Desha's Law

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- Business Office/District Treasurer's Reports

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORTS: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following Treasurer's Reports as submitted: Extra-Curricular Activity Account 11/1-11/30/2025 & 12/1-12/31/2025; Payroll Account 12/1-12/31/2025; Agency Account 12/1-12/31/2025; *Revised* Agency Account 10/1-10/31/2025 & 11/1-11/30/2025.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE WARRANT REPORTS: Motion made by James Cartwright, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following Accounts Payable Warrant Reports - Dated January 8, 2026, for November and December, as, submitted: General Fund #5 & #6; Federal Fund #5 & #6; School Lunch Fund #5 & #6; Capital Fund (HADD) #5 & #6.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

AWARD 2025-26 CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECT BID: Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by James Cartwright - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School awards the following bid for the Capital Outlay Project:

- General Trades Work is awarded to *Duggan & Duggan General Contractors, Inc.* of Allegany, New York in the amount of \$98,250 = \$81,000 Base Bid (case work, new safe, 10 halo sensors) + \$17,250 Alternate #4 (Flooring in District Office)

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE 2025 CAPITAL PROJECT BOND RESOLUTION: Motion made by Shawn Grusendorf, seconded by James Cartwright - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the following bond resolution

A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED JANUARY 13, 2026, OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE "DISTRICT") AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT (1) TO UNDERTAKE AN APPROVED "2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT" (THE "PROJECT") CONSISTING OF THE PARTIAL RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS AND UPGRADES TO THE DISTRICT'S MAIN SCHOOL BUILDING AND THE SITES THEREOF, AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$15,572,918; (2) TO EXPEND OR APPLY TOWARD THE PROJECT \$175,000 FROM UTILITY REBATES AND \$1,426,251 FROM A NYSERDA GRANT; AND (3) TO ISSUE SERIAL BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT (IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,572,918) TO FINANCE THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF THE PROJECT, AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES (IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS) TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, at the special meeting and vote of the qualified voters of the Genesee Valley Central School District, Allegany County, New York (the "District") that was held on December 9, 2025, Proposition No. 1 (the "Proposition") was duly adopted authorizing the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") (1) to undertake, in general accordance with a referenced project plan, a "2025 Capital Improvements Project" (the "Project") at an estimated maximum cost of

\$15,572,918; (2) to expend or apply toward the Project \$175,000 from utility rebates and \$1,426,251 from a NYSERDA grant; and (3) to levy a tax to finance the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project, such tax to be collected in annual installments, with obligations of the District (in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15,572,918) to be issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the expenditure of up to \$15,572,918 for such purpose, and to provide for the financing thereof in accordance with the Proposition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board (by a favorable vote of at least two-thirds of all of the members of the Board), as follows:

Section 1. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this resolution is a capital improvements project involving the partial reconstruction, renovation and the construction of improvements and upgrades to the District's Main School building and the sites thereof, to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures required by the State Education Department in connection with any significant capital project and various other measures that are generally described in (but are not to be limited by) the written plan for the Project that was prepared by the District (with the assistance of Hunt Engineers, Architects and Surveyors) and is on file at the District offices, and being subject to the possibility of reallocation, deletion, revision or supplementation, as provided in the public notice of the vote on the Proposition. The foregoing work shall include the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, and all ancillary or related work required in connection therewith, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and in connection with the financing thereof.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of such class of objects or purposes is determined to be \$15,572,918, which expenditure is hereby authorized. The plan for the financing of the Project is (1) to expend or apply toward the Project \$175,000 from utility rebates and \$1,426,251 from a NYSERDA grant, and (2) to issue up to \$15,572,918 of serial bonds or other obligations of the District that may be lawfully issued under the Local Finance Law (the issuance of which being hereby specifically authorized for the financing of the estimated maximum cost of the Project), with such amount to be offset by any federal, state, county and/or local funds received by the District for the Project. Unless paid from other sources or charges, such balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project is to be paid by the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the District to pay the principal of such bonds or other obligations, and the interest thereon, as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the class of objects or purposes referred to in Section 1 hereof is 30 years, pursuant to subdivision 97 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Local Finance Law, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and of Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 62.10, Section 63.00, and Section 164.00 of the Local Finance Law, the powers and duties of the Board pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized, including but not limited to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and details as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such bonds (and the renewals of such notes), are hereby delegated to the President of the Board, as the chief fiscal officer of the District. Without in any way limiting the scope of the foregoing delegation of powers, the President of the Board, to the extent permitted by Section 58.00(f) of the Local

Finance Law, is hereby specifically authorized to accept bids submitted in electronic format for any bonds or notes of the District.

Section 5. The temporary use of available funds of the District, not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which the same were borrowed, raised or otherwise created, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, for the purpose or purposes described in this resolution.

Section 6. This resolution shall constitute the declaration (or reaffirmation) of the District's "official intent" to reimburse the expenditures authorized in this resolution with the proceeds of the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized herein, as required by United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2.

Section 7. Each of the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and such obligations shall be general obligations of the District, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the taxable real property within the District, without limitation as to rate or amount (subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by Chapter 97 of the 2011 Laws of New York). The faith and credit of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the District by appropriation for (1) the amortization and redemption of any such obligations to mature in such year and (2) the payment of interest on any such obligations to be due and payable in such year.

Section 8. The President of the Board is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and may designate the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

Section 9. The President of the Board is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure agreement with the initial purchaser of the obligations authorized hereunder (or any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations), containing provisions that are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Section 10. The President of the Board is further authorized to call in and redeem any outstanding obligations that were issued pursuant to this resolution (at such times and in such amounts and maturities as may be deemed appropriate after consultation with District officials and the District's municipal advisor), to approve any related notice of redemption, and to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to effectuate any such call(s) for redemption pursuant to Section 53.00 of the Local Finance Law, with the understanding that no such call(s) for redemption will be made unless such notice of redemption shall have first been filed with the District Clerk.

Section 11. In the absence or unavailability of the President of the Board, the Vice President of the Board is hereby specifically authorized to exercise the powers delegated to the President of the Board in this resolution.

Section 12. The District Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this resolution, or a summary thereof, together with a notice in substantially the form provided by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law, in the District's official newspaper(s). The validity of the obligations authorized hereby, or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations, may be contested only if:

- (1) (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money, or
(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution (or a summary thereof) are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within 20 days after the date of such publication; or
- (2) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

Section 13. This resolution is effective immediately and shall be placed in the official minutes of the Board as an official action of the Board.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE NON-RESIDENT TUITION: Motion made by Michelle Kelley, seconded by Shawn Grusendorf - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School Approves the Non-Resident Tuition Rate for the 2026-2027 School Year at \$1,200 per student.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE CONTRACT: Motion made by Jamie Willson, seconded by Tim Hand - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District approves the contract with Trane US, Inc. for 2025 Capital Improvement Project Track II, Round II (Clean Heating and Cooling Project), and the related NYSERDA payment assignment agreement, as reviewed and approved by the District's legal counsel.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE PROPOSAL: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District approves the **GSA FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE PROPOSAL** with **Trane US, Inc.**, dated December 19, 2025, as reviewed and approved by the District's legal counsel.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE BOCES COOPERATIVE PURCHASING RESOLUTION: Motion made by Jamie Willson, seconded by Max Gilluly – **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District approves the following BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Annual Resolution for 2025-2026:

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of public school districts in Cattaraugus County and Allegany County, New York, to bid jointly for **various supplies, commodities, and/or services in the 2026-2027 fiscal year, and**

WHEREAS, The **Genesee Valley Central School District** is desirous of participating with other school districts in Cattaraugus and Allegany Counties in the joint bidding of all or some of the supplies, commodities, and/or services as mentioned above, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and as determined by district need, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Boards of Education wish to appoint a committee to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting of the results to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Boards of Education and making recommendations thereon; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the **Genesee Valley Central School District** Board of Education hereby appoints the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming Board of Cooperative Educational Services to represent it in all matters related above, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the **Genesee Valley Central School District** Board of Education authorizes the above mentioned committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned supplies, commodities, and/or services, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the **Genesee Valley Central School District** Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of the cooperative bidding, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the **Genesee Valley Central School District** Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by the majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the committee; (3) that after award of contract(s) it will conduct all negotiations with the successful bidder(s).
VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE BOCES UNIT COST METHODOLOGY: Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by James Cartwright - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District approves the proposed basis of service charges of the **Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES** for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA/GENERAL ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by Michelle Kellley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves the consent agenda items as follows:

1. Approve a \$2,500 stipend for **Kelley LaFever** to supervise Kelsey Matuszak, Psychology intern for the 2025-26 school year. This will be paid out of the BJA (Bureau of Justice) Grant.
2. Approve the following substitutes for the 2025-26 school year, pay as per Board Policy:
 - ~ **Anastasia Reed** as a substitute teacher aide, etc., pending fingerprint clearance
 - ~ **Ahren Faller** as a substitute teacher aide, etc., fingerprint clearance on file
 - ~ **Christopher Baker** as a substitute bus driver, pending fingerprint clearance and passing School Bus Endorsement Test
3. Approve **Taylor Washburn** to be able to complete her introductory field observation experience in early childhood (K, 1st or 2nd grade level) in a Special Education setting for Empire State University. This will be 3.5 hours a week for the spring semester beginning January 12, 2026.
4. Approve **Keirsten Cartwright** to be able to complete her field observation hours for Grand Canyon University. This will include 15 hours between January 5, 2026 through February 15, 2026, and 25 additional hours between April 5, 2026 through May 31, 2026.
5. Approve the following students from St. Bonaventure University as student teachers at Genesee Valley Central School from March 16, 2026 through May 8, 2026:
 - ~ **William Korzeniewski**, under the supervision of Lisa Scott-Schneider
 - ~ **Hannah Walker**, under the supervision of Darren Bradt
6. Approve the following student from Houghton University as student teacher at Genesee Valley Central School from January 5, 2026 through February 27, 2026:
 - ~ **Ryan Zirilli**, under the supervision of Tracie Campbell

7. Approve **Holly LaBenne** to work on her Administrative Internship hours here at Genesee Valley Central School as a requirement through Warner School of Education.
 8. Approve **Chris Graham** as an Athletic Events Worker
 9. Approve **Ethan Burt** as a volunteer for Boys' Modified Baseball
 10. Approve to **excise eWaste** (Technology Department)
 11. Approve the **CSE/CPSE recommendations** dated January 9, 2026, as submitted
- VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 1 (James Cartwright) Motion carried.

ACCEPT GIFT: Motion made by Jamie Willson, seconded by Michelle Kelley, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District accepts the gift of \$50,000.00 from Bruce C. Caldwell, for the purpose of establishing the **Robert and Grace Caldwell Memorial Scholarship**, in memory of his parents This \$2,000 scholarship shall be awarded for 25 consecutive years, beginning in the year the gift is received, until the scholarship fund is exhausted.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE DISTRICT CARDIAC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN: Motion made by Shawn Grusendorf, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District approves the **District Cardiac Emergency Response Plan** in compliance with NYSED Desha's Law.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE CONTRACT: Motion made by Jamie Willson, seconded by Michelle Keley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District approves contract with **Anthony Marra** to provide Occupational Services on a per-diem, case-by-case basis.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS:

APPOINT LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE ASL INTERPRETER: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Shawn Grusendorf - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Ashley Schilke** to the position of Long-Term Substitute ASL Interpreter, effective on or about March 9, 2026, until on or about June 26, 2026. The rate of pay shall be 1/200th of Step 1 of the daily rate. (*Covering for Brittany Fuller*)

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPROVE LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School approves **Rollie Duttweiler** to the position of Long-Term Substitute Teacher, effective on or about March 9, 2026, until on or about June 26, 2026. The rate of pay shall be 1/200th of Step 1 of the daily rate. (*Covering for Tracie Campbell*)

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by James Cartwright, seconded by Max Gilluly - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Darla Babbitt** as Teacher Aide due to retirement, effective June 30, 2026. Retirement benefits shall be under the terms and conditions of the CSEA Contract.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by James Cartwright, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Kennedi Norasethaporn** as a Long-Term Teacher Aide, effective December 31, 2025.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 1 (Shawn Grusendorf) Motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by James Cartwright - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School accepts the resignation of **Harleigh Silsby** as Drama Art Advisor, effective December 30, 2025.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT ADVISOR: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School appoints **June Lawrence** and **Caroline Mapes** as Drama Art Advisors, effective January 1, 2026. The co-advisors will equally share the pro-rated stipend for the position as per the GVEA Contract.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

AMEND MOTION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District hereby approves to **amend the motion** made at the March 11, 2025 resolution appointing **Sarah Taylor** to the position of Elementary Principal, pending receipt of a New York State School Building Leader Certificate, the Board, due to the timing of her certification, hereby modifies the probationary period for Sarah Taylor in the School Building Leader tenure area to begin on January 3, 2026 and conclude on January 2, 2030. This probationary period shall supersede and replace the probationary period (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029) provided in the March 11, 2025, resolution. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on Sarah 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 base salary for the first year of appointment shall be \$94,000 for the 2025-2026 school year, benefits in accordance with the GVAA contract. *(Replaces Brian Edmister)*

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

AMEND MOTION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Shawn Grusendorf, seconded by Michelle Kelley - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School hereby approves to **amend the motion** made at the November 18, 2025 Board of Education meeting as follows: Appoints **Michelle Zlomek** to the position of Long-Term Substitute Teacher, effective on or about January 6, 2026, until on or about June 26, 2026. The rate of pay shall be 1/200th of Step 1 of the daily rate. *(covering for Emily Ring)*

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT TEACHER AIDE POSITION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by James Cartwright - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education Genesee Valley Central School appoints **Tad Johnson** to the position of Teacher Aide, effective January 20, 2026. There is a ten-month probationary period beginning January 20, 2026 and concluding on November 19, 2026. The rate of pay shall be as per the CSEA contract.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

APPOINT TEACHER AIDE POSITION: Acting on the recommendation of the Superintendent – Motion made by Tim Hand, seconded by Max Gilluly - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education Genesee Valley Central School appoints *Stephanie Browning* to the position of Teacher Aide, effective January 20, 2026. There is a ten-month probationary period beginning January 20, 2026 and concluding on November 19, 2026. The rate of pay shall be as per the CSEA contract.

VOTE: Yes 6, No 0, Abs. 1 (James Cartwright) Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION:

Upcoming Board Meetings:

- Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. – **Board of Education-Work Session Only**, Media Lab Room
- Thursday, Jan. 29, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. – **Budget, Personnel & Negotiations Committee Meeting**, District Conference Room
- Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. – **Governing Committee Meeting**, District Conference Room (Heath, Max & Michelle)
- Tuesday Feb. 10, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. – **Regular Board of Education Meeting**, Media Lab Room
- Thursday, Feb. 12, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. – **Health and Wellness Committee Mtg.**, District Conf. Rm
- Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. – **Policy Review Committee Meeting**, District Conf. Room
- Thursday, Feb. 26, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. – **Budget, Personnel & Negotiations Committee Meeting**, District Conference Room

Informational / Discussion:

- Dr. Kinnaird – 1) please send items you want on the Jan. 27th work session agenda to Pam ASAP.
2) Starting Jan. 20th, we have a new pickup location, drop-off will stay the same as it is working fine.
3) Every five years we have to submit our Technology Plan to the NYSED. A draft for 2026-2029 is due within a couple weeks. 4) Number of GV students taking CTE programs at BOCES – 43 last year and 50 this year. 5) Our Governor delivered her 2026 State of the Address today. We are still waiting for preliminary state aid numbers for our budget. 6) Willy, Chris and Paige are scheduled to tour the Allegany County Jail on Friday, January 23rd if anyone would like to go.
- Heath discussed a recent Amish buggy accident on Route 16. The Amish have inquired about getting yellow school sign(s) to post to hopefully slow traffic down.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Max Gilluly, seconded by James Cartwright – **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School suspends the regular order of business at 6:27 p.m. to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Shawn Grusendorf, seconded by Tim Hand – **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School exits executive session at 7:38 p.m.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by James Cartwright, seconded by Max Gilluly – **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School adjourns the regular meeting at 7:39 p.m.

VOTE: Yes 7, No 0, Abs. 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Pamela A. Winterhalter, District Clerk