

Ballston Spa Central School District

Board of Education

Regular Meeting April 15, 2026

Location: High School Library

Time: 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Carrie Chapman
Matthew Dreher
Jason Fernau
Fabrizia Rodriguez
Dr. Julia Routbort Baskin
Timothy Turbiak
Katie Whittemore

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Gianleo Duca, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Jason Fernau called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RECOGNITION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT

Student Ex Officio Board members reported on ongoing and upcoming events for each of the schools.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY, Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Carrie Chapman that the Board of Education approve the April 1, 2026 regular meeting minutes as amended.

Ayes all

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

2027 Budget Development

Mr. Sirianni presented on the revenue portion of the budget. He shared the projected State Aid, based on assumptions, as the State has not passed the budget yet. The FY2026 and FY2027 amounts were compared and discussed. He presented State Aid as percent of total revenue from FY2009, and shared all revenue sources for FY2027.

Mr. Sirianni shared the total projected revenue for FY2026 and FY 2027. He explained the tax levy cap calculation and the allowable tax levy; and he discussed the proposed budget with a 3.1% increase.

Dr. Duca reminded all of the District priorities and discussed fiscal frameworks. Dr. Duca reminded everyone of the budget drivers, and gave a staffing update to include reallocated positions and additional positions. Dr. Duca discussed budget goals and results, and answered questions from the Board.

Dr. Duca shared the dates for upcoming Budget Presentations. He announced that the Budget Vote will be on May 19th from 7am to 9 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Duca reported four (4) correspondences with the District and shared the topics of each.

Mr. Fernau reported two (2) correspondences to the Board since the last meeting, and shared the topics of each.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Delaney-Elliott shared the upcoming events for the District.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #451 - Adoption of 2026-2027 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the annual budget for the 2026-2027 school year, in the amount of \$113,742,988 be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #451 – Adoption of 2026 – 2027 School Budget

Ayes all

Resolution #452 - Readoption 2025-2026 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the Board of Education meeting schedule for the 2025-2026 school year be modified and readopted, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #452 – Readoption 2025 – 2026 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

Ayes all

Resolution #453 - Property Tax Report Card

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Property Tax Report Card for the 2026-2027 school year, be and is hereby accepted and approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #453 – Property Tax Report Card

Ayes all

Resolution #454 - Scholarship Changes

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following award amounts/terms are hereby accepted and approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Amount/Recipients</u>
Union Fire Com Mathematics Award	Awarded to graduating senior(s) who maintains the highest average in Math A, Math B & Pre-Calc. This award is given in memory of John E Jurcsak Sr.	Varies/One (1)
Union Fire Com Spanish Award	Awarded to graduating senior(s) who has shown the most interest & achievement in Spanish. This award is given in memory of John E Jurcsak Sr.	Varies/Varies
Union Fire Com Music Award	Awarded to graduating senior(s) in the Symphonic Band who has demonstrated a high degree of dedication, willingness to work, and community participation. This award is given in memory of John B Roche.	Varies/One (1)

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #454 – Scholarship Changes

Discussion

Mr. Fernau stated the support from the Union Fire Company was appreciated.

Ayes all

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Resolution #455 - Obsolete Equipment

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the equipment identified by the High School, Middle School, and Milton Terrace Elementary School be declared obsolete and disposed of accordingly, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve
Resolution #455 – Obsolete Equipment

Ayes all

Resolution #456 - Placement of Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Special Education, effective April 15, 2026, be and are hereby approved:

Student #279399	Student #277376	Student #274532	Student #277006
Student #274149	Student #276342	Student #24537	Student #276651
Student #280988	Student #275292	Student #277571	Student #278567
Student #281294	Student #274827	Student #279619	Student #278434
Student #278068	Student #273883	Student #274939	Student #277508
Student #280433	Student #276471	Student #278816	Student #276165
Student #279897	Student #274509	Student #277376	Student #273283
Student #25298	Student #278924	Student #277975	Student #277975
Student #280367	Student #280113	Student #281371	Student #280367
Student #276990	Student #276990	Student #277075	Student #280478
Student #279141	Student #277075	Student #279851	Student #279851
Student #279917	Student #278504	Student #276009	Student #279823
Student #280598	Student #281350	Student #278984	Student #280598
Student #279856	Student #279856	Student #277492	Student #277492
Student #273612	Student #273612	Student #281384	Student #280052
Student #279201	Student #276284	Student #280052	Student #276284
Student #272950	Student #281365	Student #278805	Student #275275
Student #274532	Student #274149	Student #277078	Student #24537
Student #272931	Student #277571	Student #275053	Student #276989

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve
Resolution #456 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolution #457 - Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Preschool Special Education, effective April 15, 2026, be and are hereby approved:

Student #281067	Student #281320	Student #281032	Student #279293
Student #281370	Student #281372	Student #281206	Student #281166
Student #279281	Student #281067	Student #280563	Student #280818
Student #280935			

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #457 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #458 - #460 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #458 - Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of the employee(s) listed below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Heather Cianfarani	Teacher	6/30/26
Michael Gatzendorfer	Teaching Assistant	4/21/26
Elizabeth Shultes	Bus Driver	4/06/26
Holly Varriale	School Aide	4/02/26

Resolution #459 - Recission of Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement of Stacey Walz, previously approved by the Board at their meeting held March 4, 2026, in Resolution #403, is hereby rescinded, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #460 - Tenure Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following persons be awarded tenure, be and are hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Commencement Date</u>
Matthew Robinson	Principal	7/01/26

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #458 - 460

Discussion

Mr. Fernau congratulated Mr. Robinson on his tenure appointment.

Ayes all

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Karen Avenarius expressed concern regarding cuts to art and library programs at the elementary schools. She also asked about the electric bus and charging stations.

Dr. Duca provided information on the electric bus status.

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, and PTA

Mr. Fernau shared needs and information for each of the PTA organizations.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fernau announced a Special meeting on April 21st for the WSWHE BOCES Administrative Budget.

Mr. Fernau announced the next regular board meeting will be on May 6th and would include a Public Hearing.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session to discuss the employment of particular persons, not to return to regular session at 7:45 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board