

Ballston Spa Central School District

Board of Education

Regular Meeting October 7, 2026

Location: High School Library

Time: 7:00 pm

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

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

The ex officio board member shared upcoming events.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by, Carrie Chapman that the Board of Education approve the September 16, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes

Ayes all

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Kelly Cataldo, Principal, presented Wood Road's building goals for 2026-27; and she reviewed last year's goals.

Matt Robinson, Principal, reported on the High School's building goals. He reviewed the 2025-26 goals, and discussed the 2026-27 building goals.

COMMTTEE REPORTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Duca reported eight (8) correspondences with the District and shared the topics.

Mr. Fernau reported the Board had received four (4) correspondence and shared the topics.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Duca reminded everyone there is no school on Monday 10/12/26. He reminded everyone to check the website for upcoming events.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session to discuss the employment of a particular person, and return to regular session.

Ayes all

Mr. Fernau called the meeting back to order at 8:10pm

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #190 - District and Building Safety Plans

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the 2026-2027 District-Wide School Safety Plan and Building-level Emergency Response Plans, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #190 – District and Building Safety Plans

Ayes all

Resolution #191 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 5676 – Data Security and Privacy

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 5676 – Data Security and Privacy, having been tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #191 – Board of Education Policy Manual File 5676 – Data Security and Privacy

Ayes all

Resolution #192 - Board of Education Policy Manual File 7550 – Dignity for All Students

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that Board of Education Policy Manual File 7550 – Dignity for All Students, having tabled for the required 28-day period, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #192 – Board of Education Policy Manual File 7550 – Dignity for All Students

Ayes all

Resolution #193 - Municipal Cooperation Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the District enter into a municipal cooperation agreement with the Town of Malta for legal fee sharing, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #193 – Municipal Cooperation Agreement

Ayes all

Resolution #194 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the agreement between Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Connecticut, and the District, to provide services for certain students with disabilities during the 2026-2027 school year, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #194 – Agreement – Professional Services

Ayes all

Resolution #195 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, hereby approves the agreement between JCK Foundation, Inc. and the District to provide services during the 2026-2027 school year, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #195 – Agreement – Professional Services

Ayes all

Resolution #196 - Field Trip- 8th Grade

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to grant permission for the 8th Grade Class to travel to Washington, DC, April 28-30, 2027, be and is hereby granted.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #196 – Field Trip – 8th Grade

Ayes all

Resolution #197 - Extension of Bid – HVAC Chemical Treatment/Testing

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the extension of bid BS#04302024041024, for HVAC Chemical Treatment/Testing be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #197 – Extension of Bid – HVAC Chemical Treatment/Testing

Ayes all

Resolution #198 - Award of Bid – Custodial Supplies

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to award the bid for Custodial Supplies, for the 2026-2027 school year to the following vendors, be and is hereby approved:

VENDOR

Aramco	Pyramid School Products	Staples
Hill &Markes, Inc.	Quill	WB Mason

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #198 – Award of Bid – Custodial Supplies

Ayes all

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Resolution #199 - Award of Bid –Transportation

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, to award the bid for Transportation for the 2026-2027 school year to the following vendors, be and is hereby approved:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Daily Rate</u>
Upstate Transit of Saratoga, LLC	Westmere Route #1 AM and PM	\$488
	Wildwood Route #2 AM and PM	\$512

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #199 – Award of Bid - Transportation

Ayes all

Resolution #200 - Budget Transfer

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Budget Transfer, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #200 – Budget Transfer

Ayes all

Resolution #201 - Obsolete Items

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the equipment identified by the Ballston Spa Central School District High School, Lunch program, and Facilities and Grounds Departments, 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 #201 – Obsolete Items

Ayes all

Resolution #202 - 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 October 7, 2026 be and are hereby approved:

Student #281580	Student #278992	Student #271439	Student #278788
Student #279866	Student #279073	Student #276720	Student #280068
Student #280298	Student #281631	Student #280711	Student #281206
Student #280277	Student #275509	Student #273079	Student #279619
Student #279824	Student #279562	Student #277885	Student #280017

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #202 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolution #203 - 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 October 7, 2026 be and are hereby approved:

Student #281520	Student #281560	Student #281512	Student #281534
Student #281517	Student #281299	Student #281686	Student #281281

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education approve Resolution #203 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #204 - #216 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #204 - 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>
Jennifer Bailey	Bus Driver	10/07/26
Amber Bazan	School Aide	9/22/26
Rebecca Coseglia	Teaching Assistant	10/16/26
Jeremiah Desourdy	Special Education Aide	10/14/26
ReGina Donofrio	Special Education Aide	10/02/26
Isabella Edwards	Special Education Aide	9/01/26

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Bradley Hough	Custodian	10/07/26
Deborah Kreis	Special Education Aide	10/30/26
Amanda Mix	Special Education Aide	9/25/26
April Nottingham	School Aide	9/30/26
Allison Serfas	School Aide	10/07/26
Tara Tucceri	School Aide	9/30/26

Resolution #205 - Appointment – Instructional

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective dates shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Corinna Chambers	Registered Nurse	NYS Registered Professional Nurse	\$37.00/hr. Step 1	10/19/26-10/18/27

Resolution #206 - Appointment – Teaching Assistant

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Devin Griffin	Teaching Assistant	NYS Initial, Physical Education	\$26,630/yr. Step 1 (pro-rated)	10/08/26-10/07/30
Nicholas Miller	Teaching Assistant	NYS Teaching Assistant, Initial	\$25,585/yr. Step 1 (pro-rated)	10/08/26-10/07/30
Allison Serfas	Teaching Assistant	NYS Teaching Assistant, Initial	\$25,585/yr. Step 1 (pro-rated)	10/08/26-10/07/30

Resolution #207 - Permanent Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted permanent appointment to the position(s) indicated below with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Fredi Cazun-Gonzalez	Cleaner	10/16/26
Megan Docherty	Special Education Aide	10/20/26
Tiffany Gallaway	Bus Attendant	10/16/26
Bridget Gregory	Special Education Aide	10/22/26
Sarah Jennings	School Aide	10/16/26
Andrea Pizzigati	Special Education Aide	10/16/26
Brooke Szczesniak	School Nurse	10/16/26

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Resolution #208 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted appointment to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with hours, rate and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max. Hrs./ Wk.</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Paige Brennan	Special Education Aide	33.75	\$21.85/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27
Heidi Hubbard	Special Education Aide	33.75	\$21.85/hr.	10/13/26-10/12/27
Riley Lucas	Mechanic	40	\$33.42/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27
Matoaka Rodier	Bus Attendant	25	\$20.11/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27
Kaylynn Ruddy	School Aide	22.5	\$18.98/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27
Kristie Smith	School Aide	22.5	\$18.98/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27
Jean-Marie VanHorne	Special Education Aide	33.75	\$21.85/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27
Kevin Victoria	Mechanic	40	\$33.42/hr.	10/08/26-10/07/27

Resolution #209 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person be appointed to the provisional position indicated below, with effective date, hours and rate shown, and hereby approves the agreement, be and is hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max. Hrs./ Wk.</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jennifer Bailey	Lead Driver	40	\$63,000/yr. (pro-rated)	10/08/26

Resolution #210 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2026-2027 school year, with hours and rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs./Wk.</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Reyna Racaza	Student Lifeguard	30	\$17.95/hr.
Jordan Ricciardelli	Student Lifeguard	30	\$17.95/hr.
Braden Schaake	Student Lifeguard	30	\$17.95/hr.
Miles Tuohy	Student Lifeguard	30	\$17.95/hr.

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Resolution #211 - Approval – Individual Employment Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the individual employment agreement(s) for the following person(s), be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Jennifer Bailey	Lead Driver	10/08/26-10/07/27

Resolution #212 - Appointment – Increase in Hours - Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted an increase in hours to the position(s) indicated below with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs./Wk.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Emma Eldridge	School Aide	22.5	10/08/26

Resolution #213 - Creation of Student Activity Clubs

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following student activity clubs be created and recognized, be and is hereby approved:

<u>Club</u>	<u>Location</u>
Chess Club	HS

Resolution #214 - Appointment – Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the advisor position(s) to the following clubs and activities for the 2026-2027 school year, with stipend shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Samantha Cavagnolo	GSA Club Advisor, HS	\$1,018
Brittany Keller	Troupe Drama Club Co-Producer, HS	\$1,103
Olivia Pierotti	Chorus Advisor, WR	\$1,018
Brian Retersdorf	Troupe Drama Club Co-Producer, HS	\$1,103
Paige Ricci	Yearbook Advisor, HS	\$2,206
Marion Shorey	Odyssey of the Mind Advisor, MS	\$1,018
Nicole Stehle	Yearbook Advisor, HS	\$2,206

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Resolution #215 - Appointment – Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities Volunteer

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the advisor position(s) to the following clubs and activities for the 2026-2027 school year, with stipend shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Renee Anderson	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a
Jenna Cassidy	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a
Vanessa Ciavardoni	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a
Angela Iacolucci	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a
Kate Lengyel	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a
Sarah Pechar	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a
Sacha Teschendorf	Odyssey of the Mind, WR	n/a

Resolution #216 - Appointment – Extra Duties

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2026-2027 school year, with rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Andrew Bolling	Additional Section, St. Mary's	\$6,237
Sheri Litchfield	Additional Section, St. Mary's	\$6,237
Theodore Snyder	Aquatics Facilitator (fall), HS	\$2,251
Laura Waldinger	Aquatics Coordinator, HS	\$3,386

MOTION BY Mr. Turbiak, seconded by, Mr. Dreher that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #204 - #216

Ayes all

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, and PTA

Mr. Fernau shared PTA and PTSA information, upcoming events and needs.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Croft, Rock City Falls, expressed concern regarding BOCES programming issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fernau stated the next meeting would be held on October 21, 2026.

MOTION BY, Mr. Turbiak, seconded by Ms. Chapman that the Board of Education adjourn to executive session to discuss a pending litigation, not to return to regular session at 8:24 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board