

# Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Regular Meeting (7pm) of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education - WBH Library

Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)		Also in attendance:	
Mike Brutsch	P	Andrew Kourt	P
Bill Buckenroth	P	Matt Klafehn	P
John Kalisz	P	Josh Noble	P
Kyle Kuffel	P	Danielle Brewster	P
Rob Long	P	Corey Brown	P
Sharon Powers	P		
Thom Rigg	P		

## 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 2. QUESTAR III BOARD MEMBER VOTE

A. Discuss candidates running for the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for Questar III (3 seats open, 3 candidates)

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 2B. Board member Powers seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Motion to elect members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for Questar III Be it resolved that the New Lebanon Central School District Board of Education hereby casts its votes for the following candidates to fill four vacancies on the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational services: Mark Mann, Mary Marro-Giroux and Frank Zwack.

## 3. QUESTAR III ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET VOTE

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 3A. Board member Kuffel seconded. 7ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to approve the BOCES Questar III Administrative budget- RESOLVED: that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene Counties is authorized to expend the sum set forth in the 2024-25 tentative Administrative budget document in the amount of \$7,257,451.

## 4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

A. Student Leadership & Extra Curricular update presented by Matt Klafehn.

B. Student representative update.

- C. WBH update- Josh Noble presented on testing, field trips, Nature's Classroom and CASDA award recipient Lisa Kreutziger.
- D. JSHS update- Matt Klafehn presented.
- E. Athletic update- Information provided by Corey Brown on the start of the Spring season and games.
- F. Business Office- Danielle Brewster presented on the energy contract and fuel bid.
- G. Superintendent updated the board on an incident at school and CASDA award winner Lisa Kreutziger.

## **5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following spoke in regards to the budget: Lisa Kreutziger, Ed Higgins, Julie Fraad, Glenn Giumarra, Becky Griffith, Kathleen Bove, Bridget Rank, Melissa Stevens, Courtney Wheat, Dale Riggs, Tistrya Houghtling, Brandon Trinkle, Tyler Wills, Judy Zimmer, Riley Roberston, Ari Tatko, Steve Houghtling, Maddie Prusky, Connor Wills, Blaine Darcy and Carrie Cesaretti.

## **6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 36A. Board member Kuffel seconded. 7ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. To approve the March 6, 2024 Board of Education Meeting minutes.

#### 7. FINANCIAL

A. 2024-25 Final Budget Presentation

Board member Buckenroth made the motion to approve item 7B-J. Board member Long seconded. 7ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

## B. Motion to adopt the 2024-25 budget

RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of expenditures of the New Lebanon Central School District for the 2024-25 school year in the AMENDED amount of \$14,707,074 and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Education be and the same hereby is approved and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district, after first deducting the monies available from state aid and other sources as provided by law.

- C. Motion to approve the property tax report card- BE IT RESOLVED that the New Lebanon Central School District Board of Education hereby adopts the property tax report card.
- D. Motion to accept donations- To accept a donations as per attached:
- E. Motion to approve the Third Internal Claims Audit Report

- F. Motion to approve budget transfers as per attached:
- G. Motion to approve a retainer agreement with Whiteman, Osterman & Hanna.
- H. Motion to approve the February 2024 Grades 6-12 Extra-Curricular Report
- I. Motion to approve the February 2024 Treasurer's Report
- J. Motion to approve the attached direct energy contract.

## 8. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 8A-B. Board member Powers seconded. 7ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

- A. Motion to approve the 2024-25 district calendar and Board of Education meeting dates
- B. Motion to approve CSE recommendations of programs and placements

## 9. PERSONNEL

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 9A-C. Board member Buckenroth A. Motion to appoint lifeguards-

Kaleb Carabis- lifeguard

Instructors as of 3/18/24:

Corsey, Mikayla

Stickles, Claudia

York, Madeleine

Roberston, Riley

- & Christiansen, Tim
- B. Motion to terminate an employee- To terminate, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Caleb Zane as a laborer, effective April 23, 2024.
- C. Motion to appoint substitutes(s)

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, the following substitute(s): Carly Maxon Substitute Dispatcher, effective March 18, 2024 \$19.59/hr

10. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Next meeting May 8, 2024.

## 11. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board President Brutsch made the motion to enter into Executive Session at 9:02pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person. Board member Buckenroth seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Board President Brutsch made the motion to appoint Superintendent Kourt as Clerk Pro-Tem. Board member Long seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

# **12. ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Brutsch made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30pm. Board member Buckenroth seconded. 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly McGivern

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk