

REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 12, 2019

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LITTLE FALLS CITY
SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON WEDNESDAY,
June 12, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BENTON HALL ACADEMY LIBRARY,
15 PETRIE STREET, LITTLE FALLS, NY 13365.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Coulson, Finkst, Hameister,
Jodway, Mendl, Palmer and Shepardson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

LATE ARRIVALS: None

EARLY DEPARTURES: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Dr. Keith T. Levatino, Director of
Technology/Business Operations Mr. Ashraf Allam, Assistant
Superintendent Mr. Bart Tooley and an audience of 2.

CALL TO ORDER

President Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Palmer led the Commissioners and those present in the Pledge of
Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM FLOOR

Mr. Robert Miller gave the Board a brief update on what has been going on
at BOCES.

STUDENT REP. REPORT
REPORT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:15 p.m. Commissioner Hameister made a motion the Board go into
executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment
history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the
appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, resignation, discipline,
suspension or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Seconded by: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

RETURN TO
REGULAR SESSION

At 7:45 p.m. Commissioner Jodway made a motion the Board return to
Regular Session.

Seconded by: Commissioner Hameister
Ayes All

Motion Carried

AGENDA REVISIONS

VII. Refunding Bond Resolution
X.A.3. Resignation of School Social Worker
X.B.6. Amend Board Clerk appointment
X.B.7. Resignation due to retirement – lunch monitor

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino,
Commissioner Shepardson made a motion the Board approve the following
agenda items:

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 8, 2019 and
Special Board Meeting of May 21, 2019.
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Schedule of Claims

Seconded: Commissioner Hameister
Ayes All

Motion Carried

OTHER FINANCIAL
MATTERS

A. Resolved the Board approve the refunding of the bond as submitted.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Mr. Bart Tooley informed the Board about how he is working on curriculum review, as well as evaluating staff in the LFTA union that aren't teachers. He also informed the Board that 3 out of 5 varsity spring teams were scholar athletes and 32 individual athletes had a 90 or better. Lorenzo Scarano and Olivia Langdon were also recognized.

Mr. Ashraf Allam informed the Board of Capital project updates. Submission is going to the State next week. The MS/HS projections were on point, however, BHA estimates were on the low side so they are making some adjustments to that.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL

APPOINTMENT
SIERRA ACKERMAN

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to appoint Sierra Ackerman to the Special Education Teacher position effective September 1, 2019 with a four-year probationary period and with a salary as per step 2 of the LFTA contract.

Seconded by: Commissioner Coulson
Ayes: All

Motion Carried

2019-20 COACHES

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to appoint 2019-20 coaches as submitted with a salary as per LFTA contract pending proof of appropriate certifications.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes: All

Motion Carried

RESIGNATION
KAITLYN CLIFFORD

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to accept the resignation from Kaitlyn Clifford from her position as school social worker effective June 30, 2019

Seconded by: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
RESIGNATION
CLEANER
STEPHEN JASEWICZ

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to accept the resignation from Stephen Jasewicz from his cleaner position effective May 29, 2019.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes: Al

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
CLEANER
MOLLY BUCENEC

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to appoint Molly Bucenec to the 40 hours per week cleaner position effective June 13, 2019 at a salary as per CSEA contract.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
20 HRS/WEEK
FOOD SERVICE HELPER
CRYSTAL GORINSHEK

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to appoint Crystal Gorinshek to the 20 hours per week food service helper position effective September 1, 2019 at a salary as per CSEA contract.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
32.5 HRS/WEEK
MONITOR
ALTHEA NOYES

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to appoint Althea Noyes to the 32.5 hours per week monitor position effective September 1, 2019 at a salary as per CSEA contract.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
17.5 HRS/WEEK
FOOD SERVICE HELPER
JESSICA CHANDLER

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to appoint Jessica Chandler to the 17.5 hours per week food service helper position effective September 1, 2019 at a salary as per CSEA contract.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

AMMENDMENT
BOARD CLERK
STEPHANIE BEAULIEU

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to amend the appointment of Stephanie Beaulieu from July 2, 2018 to include a stipend of \$1500 per year.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

RESIGNATION
LUNCH MONITOR
CAROLYN VOLO

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to accept the resignation due to retirement from Carolyn Volo from her lunch monitor position effective June 21, 2019.

Seconded by: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes: All

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS
CSE/CPSE
RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to arrange for placement as per the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education as submitted.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

SUBSTITUTE LIST #8

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to approve substitute list #8 for the 2018-19 school year as submitted.

Seconded by: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

FIRST READING OF
POLICIES

Let the Minutes show the second reading of policies:
#4001 – Fiscal Responsibilities
#4002 – Reports of Possible Violations of Policy or Law
#4100 – System of Accounts
#4101 – Bonding of District Personnel
#4102 – Periodic Financial Reports
#4200 – Budget Planning

#4201 – Budget Publication and Hearing
#4202 – Budget Transfers
#4203 – Contingency Budget
#4204 – Collection of Taxes
#4301 – Investments
#4302 – Insurance

SECOND READING OF
POLICIES

Let the Minutes show the second reading of policies:
#5102 – NYSDOH Registered Opioid Overdose Prevention Program
#7200 – Reporting Possible Child Abuse or Maltreatment
#7201 – Child Abuse in an Educational Setting
#7400 – Student Complaints and Grievances
#7500 – Education Records

FACILITY USE REQUEST
JEAN SMITH

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to approve the request from Jean Smith to use Benton hall auditorium for rehearsals for the summer show as submitted.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

FACILITY USE REQUEST
MELANIE FRANCIS
AMERICAN CANCER SOC.

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Hameister made a motion to approve the request from Melanie Francis on behalf of the American Cancer Society, Inc. as submitted.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

INFORMATION AND
PROPOSALS

A. Herkimer County BOCES Minutes

FUTURE BUSINESS
AND MEETINGS:

Re-organizational meeting: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at BHA library
Board Training: Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Superintendent's Conf. Room.
Board Retreat: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at _____ p.m. in the Superintendent's Conference room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand, Commissioner Shepardson moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded: Commissioner Hameister
Ayes All

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Clerk