

SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 21, 2019

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LITTLE FALLS CITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON TUESDAY,
AUGUST 21, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE SUPERINTENDENTS
CONFERENCE ROOM, 15 PETRIE STREET, LITTLE FALLS, NY
13365.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Finkst

LATE ARRIVALS: None

EARLY DEPARTURES: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Dr. Keith Levatino,
Assistant Superintendent Mr. Bart Tooley, Director of Pupil
Personnel/School Safety Mr. Brian Coleman.

CALL TO ORDER

President Hameister called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

President Hameister led the Commissioners and those
Present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE
FLOOR

None

STUDENT REP.
REPORT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OTHER FINANCIAL
MATTERS

MEETING MINUTES

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino,
Commissioner Palmer made a motion the Board approve the
meeting minutes from the re-organizational meeting of July 2,
2019, as well as special meeting minutes from July 10, 2019 and
July 24, 2019 meetings.

Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson

Abstain: Commissioner Coulson on the July 24, 2019 minutes
only.

Motion Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino,
Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the treasurer's
report as submitted.

Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson

Ayes All

Motion Carried

SCHEDULE OF CLAIMS	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to approve the schedule of claims as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Palmer Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
HONEYWELL LAW FIRM AGREEMENT	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the retainer agreement with Honeywell Law Firm, PLLC as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Jodway Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
UCP AGREEMENT	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to approve the agreement with Upstate Cerebral palsy for students in Tradewinds Education Center for the school year 2019-20 as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Coulson Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
SUPERINTENDENT'S AMENDED CONTRACT	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the amended Superintendent's contract as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Jodway Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	Discussion on possible future bus fleet was had.
PRESIDENT'S REPORT	None
PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL	
RESIGNATION GIANNA NETTI	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to accept the resignation from Gianna Netti from her position as Sixth grade teacher effective August 2, 2019.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Jodway Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
APPOINTMENT SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST LINDSEY FERGUSON	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Coulson made a motion to appoint Lindsey Ferguson to the probationary position of School Psychologist on Step 16 of the LFTA contract effective September 1, 2019.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Jodway Ayes All Motion Carried</p>

APPOINTMENT
SIXTH GRADE
TEACHER
LEAH BEHE-ODOM

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Leah Behe-Odom to the probationary position of sixth grade teacher at Step 15 of the LFTA contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Coulson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
FACS LONG-TERM
SUBSTITUTE
JASON IZZO

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to appoint Jason Izzo to the long-term substitute Family and Consumer Science position at step 11 of the LFTA contract with a start date of September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
MS SPECIAL ED
LONG TERM SUB
QUINTON SMITH

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Quinton Smith to the long-term substitute position of MS Special Education Teacher Assistant position with a salary as per LFTA contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Coulson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
ASST. FOOTBALL
COACH – DEAN
SHEPARDSON

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to appoint Dean Shepardson to the position of Football Assistant Coach for the 2019-20 school year with a salary as per LFTA contract pending all necessary certifications.

Seconded: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
UNPAID CROSS
COUNTRY ASST.COACH
MIKE MURRAY

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Coulson made a motion to appoint Mike Murray to the unpaid Cross Country Assistant Coach the 2019-20 school year pending all necessary certifications.

Seconded: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
TEACHER ASSISTANT
KARI SZYMANSKI

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Kari Szymanski to the position of Teacher Assistant on Step 2 of the LFTA contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
SPANISH TEACHER
JENNIFER LENNOX

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Jennifer Lennox to the probationary position of Spanish Teacher on step 24 of the LFTA contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

PERSONNEL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

APPOINTMENT
TEACHER AIDE
PATTY DELANEY

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Coulson made a motion to appoint Patty Delaney to the position of Teacher Aide in the Middle School with a salary as per CSEA Contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Jodway
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
MONITOR
LISA WATSON

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Lisa Watson to the 20-hour per week position of Monitor in the Middle School with a salary as per CSEA Contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Coulson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
BUS DRIVER
JONATHAN SULLIVAN

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Jonathan Sullivan to the 20-hours per week position of Bus Driver with a salary as per CSEA contract effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
LUNCH MONITOR
SANDRA EDWARDS

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Sandra Edwards to the 12.5 hours per week position of lunch monitor effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT
LUNCH MONITOR
NANCY POLLAK

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Nancy Pollak to the 12.5 hours per week position of lunch monitor effective September 1, 2019.

Seconded: Commissioner Coulson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENT MS A.M. BRKFST MONITOR PATTY DELANEY	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to appoint Patty Delaney to the MS morning breakfast monitor position effective September 1, 2019.</p> <p>Seconded: Commissioner Shepardson Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
OLD BUSINESS	None
NEW BUSINESS CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to arrange for placement as per the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
SPECIAL ED. DISTRICT PLAN ANNUAL REPORT	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to accept the Special Education District Plan Annual Report as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
SUBSTITUTE LIST #1 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Shepardson made a motion to approve substitute list #1 for the 2019-20 school year as submitted.</p> <p>Seconded by: Commissioner Coulson Ayes All Motion Carried</p>
FIRST READING OF POLICIES	<p>Let the Minutes show the first reading of policies:</p> <p>1200 – Parent and Family Engagement in Title I Programs 6300 – Leaves of absence for Serious Health Conditions or Family Care 7001 – Education of Homeless Children 7007 – Educational Stability for Students in Foster Care 8505 – Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential</p>
SECOND READING OF POLICY	<p>Let the Minutes show the second reading of policy:</p> <p>4303 – Accounting of Fixed Assets, Inventory and Tracking</p>
ADOPTION OF POLICIES	<p>Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Jodway made a motion to adopt the following policies as submitted:</p> <p>1200- Parent and Family Engagement in Title I Programs 4303 – Accounting of Fixed Assets, Inventory and Tracking 7001 – Education of Homeless Children 7007 – Educational Stability for Students in Foster Care</p>

FIELD TRIP REQUEST
MONICA TOOLEY

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Levatino, Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the request from Monica Tooley for the Washington DC trip for Juniors and Seniors with the tentative travel date of November 20-22, 2019. The Board reserves the right to cancel the trip if world events so dictate.

Seconded by: Commissioner Shepardson
Ayes All

Motion Carried

INFORMATION AND
PROPOSALS

- A. Herkimer County BOCES Minutes
- B. BOCES Board 2 Board

FUTURE BUSINESS
AND MEETINGS

Regular Meeting: September 4, 2019 @ 6 pm in the BHA Library.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Seconded: Commissioner Palmer
Ayes All

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Clerk