

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – October 13, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Johnson City Central School District, held in the Board Room of the Johnson City High School, 666 Reynolds Road, Johnson City, Broome County, New York was called to order by President Edmondson at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

President Edmondson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Upon roll call, Board

Members present: Shannon M. Edmondson, President
 Nicholas J. Matyas, Vice President
 Jeannette Farr, Trustee
 Stephen Barrows, Trustee
 Heather Gaughan, Trustee
 Matthew Jablonowski, Trustee
 Richard G. Martinez, Trustee

Also present were: Mary Kay Roland, Superintendent, Eric Race, Assistant Superintendent
 for Administration, Joseph Guccia, Assistant Superintendent for
 Teaching, Learning, Accountability, and Jalynn Doig, Board Clerk.

ROUTINE MATTERS

MIN. 9/22/20 MINUTES: September 22, 2020 – Regular Meeting approved as presented.
REGULAR MOTION: Trustee Gaughan SECOND: Trustee Farr
MEETING CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MIN. 10/5/20 MINUTES: October 5, 2020 – Special Meeting approved as presented.
SPECIAL MOTION: Trustee Farr SECOND: Trustee Martinez
MEETING CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNI- President Edmondson shared a letter from the National Athletic
CATIONS Trainers’ Association recognizing JC with the Safe Sports School Award.

POLLING OF THE BOARD MEMBERS – PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Barrows
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon the polling of the Board, a motion was made to leave open session at 7:04 p.m. to enter into executive session to discuss CSE and CPSE recommendations that are attached to and made part of the official minutes filed in the permanent record, negotiations, and personnel/discipline matters.

The following attended Executive Session:

Board Members: Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan, Jablonowski, Martinez

Also attending: Mary Kay Roland, Eric Race, Joseph Guccia, Jalynn Doig

MOTION to Adjourn Executive Session: Trustee Farr SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY – The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:16 p.m.

REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

A. INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT There was no instructional report.

B. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS Audit Committee: The committee met with representatives from Vieira & Associates regarding the Independent Auditors’ Report of financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2020. The committee relayed information to the Board regarding the very positive audit results.

Project Committee: The committee discussed issues regarding incomplete project work and contractors. They reviewed work status and the EPC land purchase contract.

Budget Committee: The committee reported that September state aid was received and October funds are on track to be received as well. The committee will begin planning to freeze expenditures and hiring to prepare for any future aide withholdings or cuts.

Wellness Committee: The committee met to discuss several efforts underway to connect with families, staff, and students during the current period of social distancing. These include videos for families, walking challenges, and a 5K throughout campus. The committee will focus efforts going forward on mental health issues, especially connected to coping with the pandemic.

Legislative Committee: Trustee Matyas attended the Area IV round table discussion with the New York State Interim Commissioner of Education. Topics of discussion included the digital divide and other issues revolving around the pandemic, diversity of districts throughout the state, mental health issues, and remote instruction extremes in the state.

C. LEGAL ISSUES - Budget Transfers MOTION: Trustee Farr SECOND: Trustee Martinez Upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administration, the Board approved the budget transfers.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:
Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan, Jablonowski, Martinez
Noes: (0) None
Absent: (0) None
Abstain: (0) None
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C. LEGAL
ISSUES
(CONT'D.)
- Tax Changes

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Broome County Director has notified the district that an error was made in the 2020 application of Basic STAR savings and a new tax bill is to be issued as follows:

NAME	Edward & Barbara Lane
PROPERTY ADDRESS	128 N Harrison St
	Johnson City, NY 13790
TAX MAP #	143.32-3-39
TOTAL TAX DUE:	\$714.00
ASSESSMENT 2020-2021	\$2,200.00
TAX PAID:	\$691.05
TOTAL TAX DUE:	\$1,405.05
NEW BILL AMOUNT:	\$714.00
REASON	Basic STAR applied – should have been removed – not eligible

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan
Jablonowski, Martinez

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

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RESOLVED, that upon a decision of State of New York Supreme Court dated September 15, 2020, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law, Article 7, that the tax amounts for tax years 2017/18 – 2019/20 be adjusted and refunded as follows:

NAME	Robert Kuzel, NRC Properties, LLC, Kuzeyer Properties, LLC, and TNN Properties, LLC
ADDRESS	Multiple, see breakdown
TAX MAP #'s	127.12-1-8, 143.41-1-16, 143.49-4-35, 143.81-1-12, 143.66-2-31, 143.50-1-23, 143.72-3-49
2017-18 ASSESSMENT REDUCTION	\$28,020 TO \$25,776 -- \$2,244
2018-19 ASSESSMENT REDUCTION	\$24,820 TO \$20,574 -- \$4,246
2019-20 ASSESSMENT REDUCTION	\$24,820 TO \$19,765 -- \$5,055
2017-18 REFUND DUE	\$1,313.11
2018-19 REFUND DUE	\$2,603.72
2019-20 REFUND DUE	\$3,145.51

C. LEGAL ISSUES (CONT'D.)

- Tax Changes

Be it further resolved, that the Tax Certiorari Reserve be used for the refunds and that \$7,062.34 be appropriated in the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget (A1964.400-99-990 - Refund on Real Property Taxes); the source is A864 - Reserve for Tax Certiorari.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan Jablonowski, Martinez

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

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RESOLVED, that upon the approved application for refund and credit of real property taxes and the recommendation from Broome County Real Property Tax Service, that the tax amount for the 2020-2021 tax year be adjusted and refunded as follows:

NAME	Albert & Loretta Ulbright
ADDRESS	103 Lewis Rd
	Binghamton, NY 13905
TAX MAP #	128.01-1-17
REFUND	\$165.30
REASON	25% Sr. exemption applied – should have been 30% with basic STAR

Be it further resolved, that the Tax Certiorari Reserve be used for the refunds and that \$165.30 be appropriated in the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget (A1964.400-99-990 - Refund on Real Property Taxes); the source is A864 - Reserve for Tax Certiorari.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan Jablonowski, Martinez

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

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C. LEGAL ISSUES (CONT'D.)
- Tax Changes

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Broome County Director has notified the district that an error was made in the 2020 application of Basic STAR savings instead of the Enhanced Star Savings and a new tax bill is to be issued as follows:

NAME	Barbara & Charles Smith
PROPERTY ADDRESS	34 Adams Ave
	Johnson City, NY 13790
TAX MAP #	159.33-2-17
TOTAL TAX DUE:	\$2,143.50
ASSESMENT 2020-2021	\$5,600.00
TAX DUE BEFORE STAR:	\$3,576.50
STAR SAVINGS:	\$1,433.00
TOTAL TAX DUE:	\$2,143.50
REASON	Basic STAR applied – should have been enhanced

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan
Jablonowski, Martinez

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (0) None

Abstain: (0) None

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D. CPSE and CSE MEMBERSHIP 2020-21

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Gaughan
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board approved the CPSE and CSE membership for 2020-21:

CPSE

Elisa Eaton, Kelley Sax-Francis, Michele Gregor	Chairpersons
Scott O'Donnell	Psychologist
Lin Perry	Parent Member

CSE District Level and CSE Subcommittee Level K-12

Elisa Eaton, Kelley Sax-Francis, Michele Gregor	District Chairpersons
Scott O'Donnell	
Scott O'Donnell, Tim Kane, Christina Howe-Sampson	Psychologists
Lin Perry	Parent Members

CSE Subcommittee Level

Scott O'Donnell, Robin Streger	Chairperson (K-5)
Katherine Moschak	Chairperson (3-5)
Debbie Miller, John Coyne	Chairperson (6-8)
Christen Tessitore	Chairperson (6-12)

E. DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE VEHICLE MOTION: Trustee Martinez SECOND: Trustee Farr
 The Asst. Superintendent for Administration and various other departments have determined that obsolete vehicles, no longer having a useful life in the district, be disposed of or sold at auction.
RESOLVED, that the obsolete vehicle, a copy of which is attached to the official resolution, be disposed of or sold at auction by the Asst. Superintendent for Administration in the most efficient manner.
and it is further,
RESOLVED, that the Asst. Superintendent for Administration and the Superintendent are hereby authorized to execute any documents which may be required to effect the result of this disposal.
RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately.
 Upon roll call the vote was as follows:
 Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows
 Gaughan, Jablonowski, Martinez
 Noes: (0) None
 Absent: (0) None
 Abstain: (0) None
President Edmondson declared the motion approved.
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F. DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT MOTION: Trustee Martinez SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski
 The Asst. Superintendent for Administration and various other departments have determined that obsolete items, no longer having a useful life in the district, be disposed of.
RESOLVED, that the obsolete equipment, a copy of which is attached to the official resolution, be disposed of by the Asst. Superintendent for Administration in the most efficient manner.
and it is further,
RESOLVED, that the Asst. Superintendent for Administration and the Superintendent are hereby authorized to execute any documents which may be required to effect the result of this disposal.
RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately.
 Upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:
 Ayes: (7) Trustees Edmondson, Matyas, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan
 Jablonowski, Martinez
 Noes: (0) None
 Abstains: (0) None
 Absent: (0) None
 The President declared the resolution adopted
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G. CONTRACT AGREEMENTS 2020-21 MOTION: Trustee Gaughan SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approved the following contract agreement:

- Family Enrichment Network/UPK

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H. DISTRICT POLICIES 1ST READING
Superintendent Roland presented the following policies for a first reading:

- #0110 – Sexual Harassment – Total Revision
- #0110-R – Sexual Harassment Regulation - Delete
- #0110.1 – Sexual Harassment of Students – New
- #0110.1-R – Sexual Harassment of Students Regulation – New
- #0110.2 – Sexual Harassment of Employees – New
- #0110.2-R – Sexual Harassment of Employees – Regulation - New

I. PERSONNEL - INSTRUCTIONAL MOTION: Trustee Martinez SECOND: Trustee Farr
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Name	Tenure Area / Location		Effective Dates
Sarah Tesar	Elementary	Elem./Middle (K-2)	9/8/2020 – 9/22/2020

SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT

Name	Tenure Area / Certification		Effective Dates
Mary Wood	Elementary	Early Childhood B-2, Initial Reissuance	10/8/2020 – 1/5/2021

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

***Tentative and conditioned upon the following:** Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of § 3012 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure, the appointee shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law § 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years; and if an ineffective composite or overall rating is received in the final year of the probationary period, individual shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

Name	Tenure Area / Certification		Probationary Appt.
Christopher Edmondson	Teaching Assistant	Teaching Assistant, Level III	10/7/2020 – 10/6/2024

- J. PERSONNEL- MOTION: Trustee Gaughan SECOND: Trustee Farr
 NONINSTRUC- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 TIONAL Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:

CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION

Name	From / To		Effective Date
Pamela Speicher	School Monitor, PT	Substitute School Monitor	9/14/20

RESIGNATIONS

Name	Position / Location		Effective Date
Tracy Headrick	Teacher Aide, PT	Districtwide	10/2/20
Joseph McGuinness	Bus Driver, FT	Transportation	9/2/20
Theresa Wanchissen	Food Service Worker, PT	Districtwide	10/6/20

APPOINTMENT

Name	Position / Location		Effective Date
Firoja Khatun	Substitute Food Service Helper	Districtwide	10/14/20

EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPT. PENDING CLEARANCE

Name	Position / Location		Effective Date
Erica Blakeslee	Sub. Food Service Helper	Districtwide	10/14/20
Barbara Bunts	Sub. School Monitor	Transportation	10/28/20
Cheryl Durgala	Sub. Food Service Helper	Districtwide	10/14/20
Emily Santos	Sub. Laborer	Districtwide	10/14/20
Gary Kratochvil	Sub. School Monitor	Transportation	10/28/20

- K. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION The Superintendent provided clarification regarding the “Yellow Zone” designation. Johnson City has no buildings physically inside the “Yellow Zone,” therefore the district is not currently required to test students/staff for COVID-19.
- L. VISITORS There were no visitors that wished to speak.
- M. REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED MOTION: Trustee Gaughan SECOND: Trustee Martinez
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Jalynn Doig
 Jalynn Doig, Board Clerk