

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – January 12, 2021

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, January 12, 2021.

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. 12/22/20 MINUTES: December 22, 2020 – Regular Meeting approved as presented.  
REGULAR MOTION: Trustee Gaughan SECOND: Trustee Martinez  
MEETING CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNI- Superintendent Roland read a letter regarding the Galatis Trust of which  
CATIONS the district is a beneficiary.

POLLING OF THE BOARD MEMBERS – PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Farr  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon the polling of the Board, a motion was made to leave open session at 7:02 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, personnel and legal issues pertaining to a property in the district.

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 Gaughan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY – The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

**REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**A. INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT**

Mr. Paul Cerasaro, Food Services Site Manager, provided the board with an overview of food services since March during the pandemic. He explained that staff from Transportation, Grounds, and Food Services have collaborated to order, inventory, prepare, package, and deliver thousands of meals for our students. He, along with Mr. Race, thanked the staff for their efforts, enthusiasm, cooperation, and willingness to work together to solve problems and ensure a successful program.

**B. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Budget Committee: The district has received state aid runs showing expected aid for the 2020-21 school year. The state budget director is optimistic that aid will be forthcoming for extra transportation/food delivery costs. The allowable growth factor for the 2021-22 school year, as set by the state, is 1.23%. Mr. Race is the district representative on the Oakdale Mall mediation panel which has begun meeting.

Project Committee: The committee discussed the final items that need completion in order to wrap up work on both the Smart Schools and Renewal 2020 projects. The community focus group meeting, to discuss the EPC Solar Project, will be rescheduled to sometime in February.

Campus Committee: Lack of bus drivers has necessitated combining several bus runs. The committee discussed capacity issues on buses. The committee will be reevaluating the use of vending machines on district property. The committee is working on prioritizing future projects.

Instruction/Curriculum Committee: The committee discussed the district’s STEM curriculum and usage of the STEM lab. They reviewed and discussed student performance data for the current school year. The district will be working on ways to close learning gaps and improve attendance and engagement.

**C. LEGAL ISSUES**  
**- Budget Transfers**

MOTION: Trustee Farr   SECOND: Trustee Gaughan  
Upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administration, the Board approved the budget transfers.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:  
Ayes:   (5) Trustees Edmondson, Farr, Barrows, Gaughan, Jablonowski  
Noes:   (0) None  
Absent: (2) Matyas, Martinez  
Abstain: (0) None

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D. PERSONNEL - MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Gaughan  
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Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:

**CORRECTION TO THE MINUTES October 13, 2020  
 SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT**

Name	Tenure Area / Certification		Effective Dates
Mary Wood	Elementary	Early Childhood B-2 Initial Reissuance	10/8/2020 – 1/29/2021

**CORRECTION TO THE MINUTES OF September 22, 2020  
 SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT**

Name	Tenure Area / Certification		Effective Dates
Paul Sanna	School Psychologist	School Psychologist - Permanent	9/14/2020 – 3/31/2021

**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.
Megan Petro	School Psychologist	School Psychologist – Provisional	3/29/2021 – 3/29/2025

**COCURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS 2020-2021 – High School**

Name	Extra-Classroom Activity
Catherine DuBrava	Honor Society
Kristina Gregory	Science Club
Chris Ruston	Gay-Straight Alliance
Chris Ruston	Science Olympiad

**COCURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS 2020-2021 – Middle School**

Name	Extra-Classroom Activity
Lisa McCaffery	KOAK (Kids of All Kinds)
Chris Ruston	Science Olympiad
Aja Townley	KOAK (Kids of All Kinds)

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MOTION: Trustee Gaughan  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND: Trustee Farr

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:

**CORRECTION TO THE MINUTES OF 9/22/20  
LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Name	Position/Location	Effective Dates
Keri Parker	Teacher Aide, PT Districtwide	9/8/20-2/1/21

**APPOINTMENT**

Name	Position/Location	Effective Date
Dale Murray	Substitute Teacher Aide Districtwide	1/13/21

**EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPT. PENDING CLEARANCE**

Name	Position/Location	Effective Date
Nathanael Young	Substitute Bus Monitor Transportation	4/12/21

**CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION**

Name	From / To	Effective Date
Michael Smith	Substitute Laborer Cleaner	1/6/21
Robert Clark	Substitute Laborer Cleaner	1/4/21

F. CONFERENCE  
REQUESTS

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND: Trustee Martinez

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:

Date(s)	Conference	Attendee(s)
1/24 - 1/27/21	Reading & Writing Project Network: January Coaching of Writing Institute 2021: Grades K-8	R. Buza (CO)

G. BOARD  
OPEN  
DISCUSSION

The Board discussed their frustration with lack of clarity regarding the resumption of sports in the spring. Marching Band will begin soon. Superintendent Roland discussed the great partnership between the district and the Johnson City Police Department and collaboration that is happening with the Police Reform Committee.

H. VISITORS

There were no visitors that wished to speak.

I. REGULAR  
MEETING  
ADJOURNED

MOTION: Trustee Gaughan  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

*Jalynn Doig*  
Board Clerk