#### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – November 23, 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 Matyas at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 23, 2021.

President Matyas led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Upon roll call, Board

Members present: Nicholas Matyas, President

Jeannette Farr, Trustee

Matthew Jablonowski, Trustee Stephen Barrows, Trustee Shannon Edmondson, Trustee Richard Martinez. Trustee Amber Stallman, Trustee

Also present were: Eric Race, Superintendent; Joseph Guccia, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching, Learning, and Accountability, Elisa Eaton, Assistant Superintendent for Administration, and Jalynn Doig, Board Clerk.

#### **ROUTINE MATTERS**

MIN. 11/9/21 MINUTES: November 9, 2021 – Regular Meeting approved as presented. REGULAR MOTION: Trustee Edmondson SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY MEETING

FINANCIAL OCTOBER 2021 – APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Martinez SECOND: Trustee Stallman **STATEMENTS** 

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNI-President Matyas shared a press release from Food & Fire regarding the **CATIONS** 

efforts to team up with Red Barn Technology Group and Visions Federal

Credit Union to deliver freshly-prepared meals to more than 80 families in

need this Thanksgiving.

## POLLING OF THE BOARD MEMBERS – PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Martinez

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Upon the polling of the Board, a motion was made to leave open session at 7:05 p.m. to enter into executive session to discuss CSE and CPSE recommendations; student discipline; and current litigation relating to allegations of discrimination or harassment presented to the district.

The following attended Executive Session:

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

Also attending: Eric Race, Joeseph Guccia, Elisa Eaton, Jalynn Doig

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY – The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:21 p.m.

CSE MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Edmondson

RECOMMEND- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATIONS Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approved the

CSE recommendations.

CPSE MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Edmondson

RECOMMEND- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATIONS Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approved the

CPSE recommendations.

### **REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

A. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS <u>Campus Committee:</u> The committee discussed ideas for improvements to the high school cafeteria and vending machines, the favorable fire inspection, on-going evaluation of building use requests, and the improvement of the security system in the high school welcome center.

<u>Project Committee</u>: The committee discussed the parent pick-up area proposal, and on-going planning for extending the sidewalk and adding guardrails and fencing to the south parking lot.

<u>Culture & Climate Committee</u>: The committee discussed positive feedback they have received regarding WOW! (Wildcat of the Week). Superintendent Race reported he has received good feedback and candid information at the town-hall style chat sessions he has conducted so far. The committee is looking at new ways to engage staff through climate surveys.

B. LEGAL
ISSUES
-Ballot
Destruction

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Martinez Upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administration, the Board approved the following:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF JOHNSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO AUTHORIZE DISTRICT CLERK TO UNSEAL AND OPEN BALLOT BOXES AND DESTROY OFFICIAL BALLOTS FROM THE JUNE 2021 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION AND BUDGET VOTE

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Education Law 2034(6)(b) that six months have elapsed since the May 18, 2021 school board election and budget vote; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the information and belief of the Board of Education, there have been no challenges or proceedings commenced;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Johnson City School District does and hereby authorizes the District Clerk to unseal and open the wooden ballots boxes and destroy the official ballots contained together with the unused ballots; if any.

## **RESOLVED**, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye: (7) Trustees Matyas, Farr, Jablonowski, Barrows, Edmondson

Martinez, Stallman

No: (0) None Absent: (0) None Abstain: (0) None

The President declared the resolution adopted. Copy – Support Folder November 23, 2021

B. LEGAL ISSUES - SEQRA MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Edmondson Upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Administration, the Board approved the following:

# RESOLUTION REGARDING STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW TYPE II ACTION

WHEREAS, the Johnson City Central School District (the "District") Board of Education (the "Board") has considered the impacts to the environment of the Scope of Work to be completed at the Johnson City Central School District Elementary-Middle School campus and the High School Campus, (the "Proposed Action"). A copy of the Scope of Work is attached hereto. The Scope of Work shall include, but is not limited to, maintenance, repair, replacement, rehabilitation, reconstruction and routine activities of the District relating to the aforementioned campuses and buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that it shall act as Lead Agency for purposes of environmental review of the Proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c) and concluded that the Scope of Work involves the maintenance and repair of existing facilities involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility, and/or the replacement, rehabilitation and reconstruction of structures or facilities in kind, on the same site, without exceeding any of the thresholds in section 617.4, and/or routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Johnson City Central School District as follows:

- 1. The District is declared the Lead Agency for purposes of environmental review of the Proposed Action;
- 2. The Proposed Action does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA);
- 3. The Board hereby determines the Proposed Action is Type II actions in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.

- 4. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
- 5. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

## **SCOPES OF WORK**

# Elementary-Middle School PA System (Capital Outlay 100k Project)

Replace and combine 3 discontinued/obsolete Public Address systems with current IP Based Public Address system with enhanced emergency notification capabilities.

B. LEGAL **ISSUES** (CONT'D.) **SEQRA** 

# Elementary-Middle School CRRSA Funded HVAC Project

Replace all old, past useful life unit ventilators throughout the Elementary-Middle School and replace rooftop units RTU2K and RTU1K at the Elementary-Middle School.

## **High School ARP Funded HVAC Project**

Reconstruct original air handlers (2) at the High School, reconstruct original chiller and plumbing at the High School and install a water treatment system in front of the boilers and chillers at the High School.

**Elementary-Middle School ARP Funded Water Infiltration Project** Repair areas of masonry and flashing at the Elementary-Middle School on the K/1 wings that is allowing water infiltration to occur.

Upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

(7) Trustees Matyas, Farr, Jablonowski, Barrows, Edmondson Aye:

Martinez, Stallman

No: (0) None Absent: (0) None (0) None Abstain:

The President declared the resolution adopted. Copy – Support Folder November 23, 2021

C. COOPERATIVE MOTION: Trustee Martinez **GROUP BIDS** 2021-22

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board adopted a resolution allowing the district to participate in cooperative group bidding with other districts in New York State; and that Annie Hudock, Director of Food Services, Broome-Tioga BOCES, or designee be designated to receive and open said bids and that the Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids for the following:

SECOND: Trustee Edmondson

SECOND: Trustee Stallman

Paper Products, 2021-22

Equipment, 12-Crate Milk Cooler/Elem. Middle Cafeteria

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D. DISTRICT **POLICIES** 2<sup>nd</sup> READING

MOTION: Trustee Edmondson CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Superintendent Race presented the following policies for a second reading and approval:

- #5420-R Student Health Services Regulation
- #8640 Student Internet Protection Policy

E. PERSONNEL -

MOTION: Trustee Stallman

SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski

**INSTRUC-**TIONAL

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board

approved the following:

COCURRICULAR APPOINTMENT 2021-2022 – Middle School

Name	Extra-Classroom Activity
Jennifer Chudacik	Show Choir

F. PERSONNEL-TIONAL

MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski

SECOND: Trustee Stallman

SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski

NONINSTRUC- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board

approved the following:

## CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION

Name	From	Effective Date	
Hiba Alzaru	Monitor, PT	Teacher Aide, PT	11/29/21
Gary Kratochvil	Substitute Bus Driver	Bus Driver, PT	11/11/21

## JOB ABANDONMENT

Name	Po	Effective Date	
Siara May	Teacher Aide, PT	Districtwide	11/5/21

#### RESIGNATIONS

Name	Position /	Effective Date	
Debra Arnold	Typist	Districtwide	11/30/21
Eugenie Lesso	Food Service Helper, PT	Districtwide	11/17/21

REQUESTS

G. CONFERENCE MOTION: Trustee Edmondson CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Date(s)	Conference	Attendee(s)
12/2-	NYSSMA Winter Conference	C. Murphy (K-5)
12/5/21	Rochester, NY	
12/14/21	Zones of Regulation Online Workshop	D. Welsh-Clarke (K-5)
	AEP Connections	A. Hankey (MS)

SECOND: Trustee Stallman

H. FIELD TRIP REQUESTS MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Date of Trip	Destination	Requesting Org./Group	Purpose
12/4/21	Discovery Center	J. Chudacik	Holiday
	Binghamton, NY	(HS Sophisticats)	Performance
12/5/21	Highland Park	J. Chudacik	Christmas in
	Endwell, NY	(HS Sophisticats)	the Park

I. BUILDING & GROUNDS REQUESTS

MOTION: Trustee Martinez CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND: Trustee Jablonowski

<u>Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:</u>

	Facility		Purpose
Organization	Requested	Timeframe	
2022 APP	Sm. Café / HS	12/8 & 12/16 - 3:00 – 7:00 PM	Fundraising
Committee	So. Lobby	12/17/21 - 5:00 – 7:00 PM	Events
2022 APP Committee	Front Parking Lot & Main Lobby	12/18/2021 - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Brooks Chicken Fundraiser
USPS America Boating Club	HS Classroom	1/04 – 3/15/2022 Tues. 7:00 – 9:00 PM	Marine Navigation Class
USPS America Boating Club	HS Sm. Café.	2/28 - 3/28/2022 Mon. 6:30 – 9:00 PM	Safe Boating Class
USPS America Boating Club	HS Classroom	4/04 – 5/23/2022 Mon. 6:30 – 9:00 PM	Boat Handling Class
JC Connects	HS Café. & Classroom	12/15/2021 - 4:30 – 7:30 PM	GRAND Care Meeting

J. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION The Board continued the on-going discussion regarding building-use requests and the desire to allow more outside groups access. This will be discussed further during upcoming Campus Committee meetings. They also discussed parent-teacher conferences which will include in-person, virtual, and phone sessions. Mr. Guccia explained grade 3-8 test scoring data and the SED advisory that accompanied it. He shared examples of the new report card format which is more visually appealing, easy to interpret, and includes a cumulative overview at the high school level. It will be available to parents digitally through the portal or in the usual hard-copy format.

J. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION (CONT'D.) Ms. Eaton provided an overview of COVID-19 related data including the number of self-reported vaccinated staff, numbers of positive cases/quarantined students and staff, and information on immunization clinics held in the district.

Superintendent Race provided an update by building of how federal funds are being used to address learning loss and lagging skills including interventions, transitional classrooms, math and reading specialists, etc.

Mr. Guccia shared with the board that Mr. Ahlpheh Wilson did a phenomenal job representing the district and the teaching profession when he spoke at the Grow Your Own Teacher Kick-Off meeting which aims to recruit, develop, and retain teachers who are already connected to our community.

K. VISITORS There were no visitors that wished to speak.

L. REGULAR MOTION: Trustee Jablonowski SECOND: Trustee Martinez

MEETING CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNED The Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Jalynn Doig Jalynn Doig, Board Clerk