

**MINUTES OF THE 910 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMHERST CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
April 21, 2020
Virtual Meeting**

Present: Jeanne Ernst, Lynn Errington, Lorry Goldhawk, Jessica McLaughlin, Mark Smith, Paul Steimle, Dominic Vivolo (arrived 7:20 pm)

Not Present: None

Others Present: Superintendent Anthony Panella; Assistant Superintendent Lynn Shanahan; Assistant Superintendent Michael Belle-Isle; Laura Bosinski, School Business Administrator; Deborah Custodi, District Clerk

Meeting called to order by Paul Steimle, President, at 7:11 pm

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

None

REPORT OF BOARD AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Budget Presentation

Business Administrator Laura Bosinski reviewed anticipated program and staffing changes for the 2020-2021 school year. She also reported on revenue and expenditure assumptions and projections. The District is looking to the state for guidance on when we will have the budget hearing and how a Budget Vote will be conducted.

Superintendent Remarks

Superintendent Panella expressed recognition to the Board of Education for their support during this time. He also commended the District's leadership team, the teachers and all faculty and staff members who have stepped up and put our students at the forefront. Thank you to all our Amherst employees for showing support for our students at this time.

A motion was made by Jeanne Ernst and seconded by Mark Smith to approve the following New Business Items: E-1-a through e; E-2-a; and E-3-f. The motion unanimously carried (7-0).

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approve **Minutes** of March 17, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
- b. Approve the Recommendations of the **Committee on Special Education** and the Subcommittee on Special Education.
- c. Approve the Recommendations of the **Committee on Preschool Special Education**.
- d. Adopt the **BOCES Administrative Budget** for the 2020-2021 year in the amount of \$3,568,412.
- e. Vote for two (2) **members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services**: Mrs. Janet MacGregor-Plarr and Mr. John Sherman.

PERSONNEL

Instructional – Faculty

1. Accept with regret and appreciation the **resignation** of **Juliana Curtis**, Art Teacher at the High School, effective
2. Accept with regret and appreciation the **resignation** of **Julie Pernick**, Special Education Teacher at the Middle School, effective with her last day of work on June 30, 2020.

3. Appoint **Emily Arnesen**, current per diem substitute, as an **English Teacher long-term substitute** at the Middle School (replacing Kayleigh Buziak) effective May 18, 2020 through the end of the school year (tentative dates).
4. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Foreign Language for **Christopher Banas**, Teacher at Amherst Central High School, effective August 30, 2020.
5. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Foreign Language for **Allison Boyer Strang**, Teacher at Amherst Central High School, effective August 30, 2020.
6. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Industrial Arts/Technology Education for **William Schupp**, Teacher at Amherst Middle School, effective August 30, 2020.
7. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Elementary for **Melissa Whitten**, Teacher at Amherst Middle School, effective August 29, 2020.
8. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area General Special Education for **Jessica Bologna**, Teacher at Windermere Boulevard School, effective August 30, 2020.
9. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Music for **Derek Chazen**, Teacher at Windermere Boulevard and Smallwood Drive Schools, effective August 30, 2020.
10. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Remedial Reading and tenure area Elementary for **Allison Damon**, Teacher at Windermere Boulevard School, effective August 30, 2020.
11. Approve the **tenure appointment**—tenure area Elementary for **Elizabeth LaRocca**, Teacher at Windermere Boulevard School, effective August 30, 2020.
12. **Terminate** the employment of **John Burgholzer**, part-time Science teacher (0.5 FTE) serving in an encumbered position at Amherst Central High School, in accordance with New York State Education Law, Section 2510, Subdivision 3, without rights to recall effective June 30, 2020.
13. **Terminate** the employment of **Kimberly Murphy**, part-time Science teacher (0.8 FTE) serving in an encumbered position at Amherst Middle School, in accordance with New York State Education Law, Section 2510, Subdivision 3, without rights to recall effective June 30, 2020.
14. **Terminate** the employment of **Teresa M. Simmons**, part-time General Special Education teacher (0.4 FTE) serving in an encumbered position at Amherst Central High School and Amherst Middle School, in accordance with New York State Education Law, Section 2510, Subdivision 3, without rights to recall effective June 30, 2020.
15. **Terminate** the employment of **Karen L. Redding**, part-time Elementary teacher (0.7 FTE) serving in an encumbered position at Windermere Boulevard School, in accordance with New York State Education Law, Section 2510, Subdivision 3, without rights to recall effective June 30, 2020.
16. Accept with regret and appreciation the resignation for purposes of **retirement** of **Sherryl Elston**, Art Teacher at the High School effective July 1, 2020, with her last day of work being June 30, 2020.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Warrant Reports (#0037 3/6/20, #0039 3/20/20)

Follow Up Action Items

None

A motion to enter into Executive Session for matters regarding the employment of a particular person was made by Jessica McLaughlin, seconded by Lorry Goldhawk. Motion unanimously carried (7-0).

The board convened to Executive Session at 7:36 pm.

A motion to convene to Public Session was made by Jeanne Ernst, seconded by Lynn Errington. Motion unanimously carried (7-0).

The board convened to Public Session at 8:02 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jeanne Ernst, seconded by Lynn Errington. Motion unanimously carried (7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

The next regular Board of Education meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Deborah Custodi, District Clerk