



January 10, 2022 at 6:00pm
Regular Meeting of the ESM Board of Education
Virtual Meeting via GoogleMeet

III-A-4433
02/07/2022

REGULAR MEETING

Board of Education Present: Mrs. Lori Aird, Mr. John Albanese, Mrs. Susan Cain, Mrs. Tracy Callahan, Mrs. Leah Cushing, Mrs. Deborah Kolod.

Board of Education Absent: Mrs. Kay Gallery, Mrs. Diane Seaman, Mr. D. Paul Waltz.

Administrative Personnel Present: Dr. Donna DeSiato, Supt.; Dr. Thomas Neveldine, Deputy Supt.; Mrs. Katherine Skahen, Exec. Dir. of School Bus. Admin./Clerk; Mr. Douglas Mohorter, Executive Director of Employee Engagement & Accountability; Mr. Kieran O'Connor, Exec. Dir. of Planning, Development & Technology; Mr. N. Shane Hacker, Exec. Dir. of Curriculum, Learning & Assessment; Mr. John Young, Director of Facilities; Mrs. Kathleen Colucci, Dir. of Spec. Ed; Mrs. Meghan Thomas, Associate Director for Spec. Ed; Mrs. Cheryl West, Director of Counseling, Youth Development & Leadership - Districtwide; Ms. Kelsey DeLany, Principal Fremont.

Other Present: Mr. Michael Rood, District Treasurer; Mr. Steven Skurpski, Mechanics.

Interested Citizens: 8

MRS. DEBORAH KOLOD, PRESIDENT, CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:01 PM AT A VIRTUAL MEETING VIA GOOGLE MEET.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Fremont Elementary School Improvement Team Highlight: *What is Fremont?*
- B. NYU PINE Program Overview: Kate Colucci, Meghan Thomas

FIFTEEN MINUTE PERIOD: *Given this unprecedented time and the virtual nature of this meeting, there will not be a Fifteen Minute Period for public comment. Please follow District Communications Protocols or contact the ESM Board Clerk for further information.*

REPORTS:

- A. Acceptance of Minutes:
 - December 2, 2021 Special Meeting
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- B. President/Vice President/Board Member Reports:
 - ESM Athletic Hall of Fame Induction ~ January 15, 2022
 - ESM Education Foundation Game Night/Dinner Dance ~ February 5, 2022

C. Superintendent Reports:

2022-2024 ESM Shared Decision Making Plan - DRAFT

ESM Reopening Plan Updates

ESM ESSER ARP Federal Grant Spending Plan Updates

- Capital Projects Funded by ESSER

LAUNCH Agreement

- Use of Facilities - Pine Grove Summer Program

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- Shortened Isolation for Essential Workers

Onondaga County Mental Health Partnership Agreement

Leadership Coordinating Council (LC2) of Global STEM Ecosystem

Leave of Absence (FYI): Laura Andrews, Psychologist - Minoa Elementary, Effective 3/11/2022 - 6/30/2022

Staffing Transfer (FYI): Sandra Smith, FROM: Typist II @ District Office (Technology), TO: Typist II @ Pine Grove Middle School, Eff. 1/11/2022

“RESOLVED BY MRS. CALLAHAN, SECONDED BY MRS. CUSHING THAT, the Reports A – C, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Capital Project Resolution (ESSER Funding/Hunter Grant)

“WHEREAS, the Federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (“ESSER”) and Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (“GEER”) authorize provision of emergency relief funds to schools to address the impact the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the School District was allocated Three Million One Hundred Thirty Five Thousand and Twenty Five Dollars (\$3,135,025) in ESSER and/or GEER grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the School District was allocated one hundred and seventy five thousand dollars (\$175,000) State Grant Funds from Assemblymember Hunter; and

WHEREAS, Department of Education guidance conveys that schools may use ESSER and/or GEER funds for certain construction projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including “[i]nspection, testing, maintenance, repair, replacement, and upgrade projects to improve the indoor air quality in school facilities, including mechanical and non-mechanical heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems”; and

WHEREAS, the State grant authorized the use of funds to improve District security; and

WHEREAS, the District Architects, King + King, has opined that the scope of work is to replace parking lot lighting and exterior lighting (wall pacs) at East Syracuse Elementary; add bottle fillers in the School District buildings; add security cameras at Woodland, Minoa and Fremont; replace the data room A/C unit at the High School building; and retrofit UVC units at the High School (32); Minoa Elementary (2); East Syracuse Elementary (4); and Park Hill (2) to improve indoor air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has declared that the Project is a Type II SEQRA Action that will have no negative impact on the environment.”

“NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board of Education hereby declares that the Project is needed to improve the air quality in school facilities, and is related to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems as authorized by ESSER and/or GEER funding guidelines.
2. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the expenditure of up to Four Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Dollars (\$439,000) through ESSER and/or GEER grant funding to fund the Project.
3. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the expenditure of up to One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) of State grant funding to fund the Project.
4. The Superintendent of Schools and all officers and employees of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps reasonably necessary or appropriate to complete the Project and to carry out the intent of this Resolution.
5. Upon adoption by the Board of Education this Resolution shall take effect immediately.”

“RESOLVED BY MR. ALBANESE, SECONDED BY MRS. AIRD THAT, the Action Item A, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes – 6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

B. Onondaga County Mental Health Partnership Agreement

“WHEREAS, the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District has developed an Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund American Rescue Plan (ARP) Federal Grant Spending Plan; and

Whereas: the ESSER ARP Federal Grant Spending Plan includes investments in increasing the capacity and efficacy of service delivery to all students to ensure social, emotional and academic achievement; and

Whereas: the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District wishes to enter into an agreement with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI), which will provide and supervise four (4) Promise Zone Student Engagement Specialists (PZSES) for the 2021-2022 school year; and

Whereas: the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District cost for the services of providing and supervising the PZSES for the 2021-2022 school year is \$38,435 per FTE with the balance of the per FTE cost provided on a cost sharing basis by the Onondaga County Department of Children and Family Services; and

Whereas: the PZSES will work with students at six (6) schools (East Syracuse Elementary, Minoa Elementary, Fremont Elementary, Woodland Elementary, Pine Grove Middle School, and Central High School);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, authorizes the Executive Director of School Business Administration to execute an agreement with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI) for the 2021-22 school year in the amount of \$153,740 to be paid from Federal ARP grant funding using budget F 2825.150-01-AR21.”

“RESOLVED BY MRS. CALLAHAN, SECONDED BY MR. ALBANESE THAT, the Action Item B, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA:

Treasurer’s Report (Nov-21)
Extra Classroom Activity Fund Reports CHS/PGMS (Nov-21)
Appropriation Status Report (Nov-21)
Budget Transfers (Nov-21)
Accounts Payable Warrant Reports #19, #21
Payroll Warrant Reports #18, #20
CSE/CPSE Reports
Donations
Surplus Buses
Surplus Equipment - Fremont

“RESOLVED BY MRS. AIRD, SECONDED BY MR. ALBANESE, THAT, the Consent Agenda, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

PERSONNEL ITEMS:

A. Retirement

Timothy Campbell, Maintenance Worker I - Districtwide, Eff. 3/29/2022

B. Resignations

Thomas Sweeney, Instructional Specialist, Pre-K to 12 for Technology Integration - Districtwide, Eff. 1/18/2022

Shari Drace, Teaching Assistant (Special Edu.) - East Syracuse Elementary, Eff. 12/10/2021

Diane Seager, Custodial Worker I - Minoa Elementary, Eff. 12/31/2021

Luzette VanNess, School Bus Attendant - Transportation Department, Eff. 12/18/2021

C. Appointments

Administrative, Four-Year Probationary Appointment

Thomas Sweeney, Assistant Principal - Central High School, Eff. 1/18/2022-1/17/2026

Instructional, Three-Year Probationary Appointment

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education for the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District hereby appoints the following probationary employee(s):

Jody Lewis, School Psychologist - Pine Grove Middle School, Eff. 2/1/2022-1/31/2025

The probationary period expiration date will depend on the individual’s APPR ratings. To receive tenure, the individual must receive an overall APPR rating of effective or highly effective in at least two (2) of the three (3) preceding years. Probationary employees who receive an ineffective APPR rating in their final year of probation will not be eligible for tenure at that time.”

Non-Instructional, 52-Week Probationary Appointments

Brenda McCarthy, School Bus Driver - Transportation Dept., Eff. 1/11/2022

Danielle Stever, School Bus Driver - Transportation Dept., Eff. 1/11/2022

Eugene O’Brien, School Bus Attendant - Transportation Department, Eff. 1/11/2022

John McClary, School Bus Attendant - Transportation Department, Eff. 1/11/2022

Maureen Compoli, School Secretary I (11-month) - Minoa Elementary, Eff. 1/11/2022

D. Tenure Recommendation

Name	Area	Certification	Eff. Date
Samantha Gerbino	Special Education Teacher	Special Education	1/16/2022

E. Amended Substitute List

“RESOLVED THAT, the enclosed amended substitute list dated 01/11/2021, be approved.”

“RESOLVED BY MR. ALBANESE, SECONDED BY MRS. CALLAHAN THAT, Personnel Items A- E, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

F. Tentative Agreement

“RESOLVED THAT, the Tentative Agreement between the East Syracuse Minoa Board of Education and the Association of Auto and General Mechanics, effective 7/1/2021 through 6/30/2026, as outlined in the enclosed memorandum and recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

“RESOLVED BY MRS. AIRD, SECONDED BY MRS. CUSHING THAT, Personnel Item F, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

G. Create Position

“RESOLVED THAT, a Math Instructional Coach position be created, as outlined in the enclosure.”

“RESOLVED BY MR. ALBANESE, SECONDED BY MRS. CALLAHAN THAT, Personnel Item G, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –6, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

POLICY DISCUSSION:

POLICY ACTION:

RESOLVED BY MRS. CAIN, SECONDED BY MR. ALBANESE THAT, THE REGULAR MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 7:51 PM”

Ayes - 6, Nays - 0, Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Skahen
District Clerk

Approved _____
Filed _____



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VI. POLICY DISCUSSION: None

VII. POLICY ACTION: None