



February 1, 2021 ~ 8:00am  
Special Meeting of the ESM Board of Education  
*Video Conferencing Meeting via GoogleMeet*

III-A-4287  
2/08/2021

## **SPECIAL MEETING**

**Board of Education Present:** Mrs. Lori Aird, Mr. John Albanese, Mrs. Susan Cain, Mrs. Tracy Callahan, Mrs. Kay Gallery, Mrs. Deborah Kolod, Mr. D. Paul Waltz.

**Board of Education Absent:** Mrs. Leah Cushing, Mrs. Diane Seaman.

**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. Michael Clonan, Director of Athletics, PhEd. and Health.

**Other Present:** Mr. Donald Budmen, Attorney.

**Interested Citizens:** 8

MRS. DEBORAH KOLOD, PRESIDENT, CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 8:00 AM AT VIA GOOGLE MEET VIDEO CONFERENCING.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS:** None

**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: None
- B. President/Vice President/Board Member Reports: None
- C. Superintendent's Report:
  - Winter High Risk Sports

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

Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

**ACTION ITEMS:**

A. Approval of Participation in Higher Risk Sports

“**WHEREAS**, on January 22, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that effective February 1, 2021, higher risk interscholastic sports are permitted as directed by local County Health Departments; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 28, 2021, the Onondaga Health Department issued its Health Advisory for Higher Risk K-12 School Sports; and

**WHEREAS**, following careful consideration of the advisory, the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District approves participation in Basketball and Competitive Cheerleading;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District Board of Education (the “Board”) resolves as follows:

1. The participation of school athletes in the higher risk sports of Basketball and Competitive Cheerleading is approved in accordance with the guidance and directives of the Onondaga County Department of Health.
2. The Superintendent of Schools and/or his/her designee are required to implement the guidance for the benefit of student, staff and community member safety.

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

Ayes – 7, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None

**PERSONNEL ITEMS:**

A. Appointments

Non-Instructional, Annual Appointment

Michael Rood, School District Treasurer - District Office, Eff. 03/01/2021

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

Ayes –7, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

2020-2021 Winter Coaching Appointments

“RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following coaches for the modified, shortened Winter High Risk Sports Season at a prorated stipend based upon the modified, shortened season.”

<b>Sports</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Coach</b>
Athletic Trainer	Asst. Trainer	Manfredo, Paul A.
Basketball-(B)	Head Coach	Kilpatrick, James V.
Basketball-(B)	Asst. Coach-V	Lothridge, Gregory
Basketball-(B)	Asst. Coach-JV	Rybczak, Alex
Basketball-(B)	Asst. Coach-MOD	Graham, Stephen R.
Basketball-(B)	Asst. Coach-MOD	deBerjeois, Michael P.
Basketball-(G)	Head Coach	Herrington, Robert
Basketball-(G)	Asst. Coach-V	Stuper, Adam E.
Basketball-(G)	Asst. Coach-JV	Keough, Timothy
Basketball-(G)	Asst. Coach-MOD	Neuhaus Lindner, Lindsey
Basketball-(G)	Asst. Coach-MOD	Ferris, Michael N.
Cheerleading, B'ball	Head Coach	Planty, Nicole

“RESOLVED BY MR. ALBANESE, SECONDED BY MR. WALTZ THAT, Personnel Item A, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approved.”

Ayes –7, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

**B. Substitute List**

“RESOLVED THAT, the enclosed amended substitute list dated 02/01/2021, be approved.”

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

Ayes –7, Nays – 0, Motion Carried

**POLICY DISCUSSION:** None

**POLICY ACTION:** None

“RESOLVED BY MRS. AIRD, SECONDED BY MR. ALBANESE THAT, THE REGULAR MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 8:15 AM.”

Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Skahen  
District Clerk

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Filed \_\_\_\_\_



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- IV. ACTION ITEMS:**
- A. Approval of Participation in Higher Risk Sports
- CONSENT AGENDA:** None
- V. PERSONNEL ITEMS:**
- A. Appointments
  - B. Substitute List
- VI. POLICY DISCUSSION:** None
- VII. POLICY ACTION:** None