

Fort Edward Union Free School District
Meeting of the Board of Education
Board Room

Agenda
December 13, 2021

Updated 12/13

Board Finance Committee Meeting: 5:30
6:30 Regular Board Meeting

Public may view the meeting via the District Youtube Channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NzOS30xIMK4>

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (Meeting called to order by _____ at _____ pm)

Roll Call: TRoche__ CMiles__ JCarroll__ ECollins__ CDurkee__ ADurkee__ JGuglielmo__
JDonahue__ PSuprenant__

II. Community Comments:

A public comment period not to exceed thirty (30) minutes each shall be provided at each business meeting. In an effort to provide an opportunity for all interested speakers, all speakers shall be limited to three (3) minutes during the public comment period. Community members, who wish to address the Board, are requested to complete the speaker request form and submit it to the Clerk of the Board prior to the meeting. Comments regarding agenda items will be taken first. Speakers are reminded of the three-minute time limit. Should the 30 minute time limit expire additional written comments may be taken prior to the meeting's adjournment. A member of the Board or the Superintendent will respond that the BOE received and reviewed the comments.

When members of the public speak to the Board, they shall state their name and address, the name of the organization (if any) which they represent, and the agenda item they wish to comment on. Please be aware that by law individual student information or particular personnel issues cannot be discussed at public sessions of the board. The Board will not permit interruptions, slanderous remarks or "name-calling" by speakers or the audience. We take public comment very seriously and careful notes will be taken. However, the board generally does not respond while the meeting is in public session.

III. Recognition of Successes:

- (1) Waste Management Food Backpack Donation
- (2) Congratulations to the Varsity Volleyball and Varsity Golf Teams for being recognized as a Scholar-Athlete Team and to the Individual Scholar-Athletes:

Ella Aul
Felicity Columbetti
Lynelle Colvin
Ollie Cutler
Natalie Durkee
Eva Stewart

Andrew Fish
Gabriel Glass
Michael Glass
Preston Gulick
Spencer Smith

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IV. Presentations

V. Reports:

a. Board Committee Reports (9 Board Committees)

- i. Finance Committee (Met 12/13/21)
- ii. Grievance and Negotiations Committee (next meeting TBD)
- iii. Curriculum Committee (next meeting TBD)
- iv. Policy Committee (Met 11/16/21 next meeting TBD)
- v. Athletic Committee (12/7/21 next meeting TBD)
- vi. Strategic Planning Committee (next meeting TBD)
- vii. Personnel Committee (next meeting TBD)
- viii. Building and Grounds Committee for Health & Safety (next meeting TBD)
- ix. Building Project Committee (next meeting TBD)

b. Superintendent Report:

Budget Calendar
Update on Champlain Power Connector Pipeline

c. Treasurer Report - In Board Packet

d. K-12 Principal Report

e. Buildings and Grounds Report

VI. Discussion Items:

- 1. Superintendent Search
- 2. Extra Curricular Planning 2022-2023

VII. Consent Agenda:

Although Board action is required, it is generally unnecessary to hold discussion on these items. With the consent of all members, they are therefore grouped and approval is given in one motion. In the event a Board member wants to discuss any item, it is moved to an appropriate place on the agenda.

- a. Approval of Minutes for the October 12, 2021 Regular Meeting and November 8, 2021.
- b. Approval of Warrants and Claims for November 2021
- c. Approval of Treasurer Report for October 2021
- d. Approval of the Budget Transfers.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

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VIII. Action:

- a. Motion to approve the first reading of the revised policies:

#6160 Professional Growth/Staff Development
#5640 Smoking, Tobacco, and Cannabis (Marijuana) Use
#1510 Regular Board Meetings and Rules (Quorum and Parliamentary Procedure)

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- b. Motion to approve the CSE/CPSE Recommendations as included in the Board Packets.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- c. Motion to approve the Transfer, Relocation, Disposal of Fixed Assets (see attached)

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- d. Motion to accept the \$2,000.00 as a donation on behalf of Chapter 461 WoodmenLife to be used for general school supplies.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- e. Motion to accept the \$2,500.00 as a donation on behalf of Noranne Mulcahy for the Noranne Mulcahy Science Scholarship.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- f. Motion to approve the following resolution regarding the Board of Education's 2022 Advocacy Priorities:

RESOLUTION DATED December 13, 2021

FORT EDWARD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGARDING ADVOCACY PRIORITIES FOR THE 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Union Free School District strives to provide an outstanding education and post-secondary pathway for each and every student; and

WHEREAS; the district recognizes the deep commitment shown by the legislature and the Executive to fully fund the foundation formula; and

WHEREAS, the District works diligently to meet the needs of all students while still fulfilling its core mission, even while in our third year of a pandemic, and

WHEREAS, the District is facing significant increased costs due to inflationary factors for labor, fuel and goods; and

WHEREAS, property tax levy legislation at the state level has provided an increased need for State Aid to maintain quality programs; and

WHEREAS, public schools are being asked to do more for students than ever before, so they are prepared for college, military or a career; and

WHEREAS, each child in Fort Edward Union Free School District only has one opportunity to go through the full elementary and secondary educational experience;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fort Edward Union Free School District Board of Education calls on the New York State Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul to act upon the following priorities:

1. Fund and Adjust the Foundation Formula

A. Include a due minimum increase for all districts, regardless of Foundation Aid phase-in level.

B. Maintain the “SAVE Harmless” provision.

C. Fully fund expense based aids.

2. Increase the \$30,000 threshold on BOCES Aid for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs by providing 100% aidability for the salaries of CTE teachers.

3. Building Aid for Small Capital Projects

A. Increase the threshold for base year capital outlay expenses from the current amount, established in 2002 from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to assist districts in making critical capital improvements.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

g. Motion to approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approve a 2020-21 budget amendment in the amount of \$5,911.20 in order to recognize the remaining balance of the CARES ACT “grant in aid” carried over from 2019-20.

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All coaching appointments are made pending completion and verification of all required coaching credentials, with the stipend per FETA contract commensurate with experience and no other salary or benefits. All coaching and extracurricular appointments are subject to reduction pending final student enrollment numbers, and pending the outcome of any potential mergers and emergency school closings.

- e. Motion to approve the appointment of Amelia Taylor as Modified Volleyball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year at a rate of \$3,472.00.
Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:
All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- f. Motion to approve the appointment of Steven Alheim as JV Boys Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year at a rate of pay per contractual rate.
Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- g. Motion to approve the appointment of Daniel Durkee as Modified Girls Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year at a rate of pay per contractual rate.
Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- h. Motion to approve the appointment of Debi Delisle as per diem substitute at a rate per SASTA Contract, effective December 2, 2021.
Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

X. Executive Session:

I need a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters referring to the employment of specific individuals.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____
Any Discussion?
All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

Board of Education Members and other individuals invited into executive session are reminded that all matters discussed during executive session must be kept in the strictest confidence.

XI. Return to Public Session

Time: _____

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

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All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

XII. Adjournment

Time: _____

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____