



Fort Edward Union Free School District
Meeting of the Board of Education
June 12, 2023
updated 6/12/23

Regular Board Meeting 6:30

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call Attendance: Thomas Roche, Ella Collins, James Donahue, Amanda Durkee, John Guglielmo, Timothy Clark, Taylor Boucher

III. Recognition of Successes:

A. Tennis Adirondack League Champions: Calvin Boucher, Preston Gulick, Angelo Saunders

B. HFE Baseball Section II Class D Champions/Regional Semifinalists: Daniel Boucher Jr., Zachary Bartholomew, Kameron Brayman

Head Coach: Jeff Durkee

JV Coach: Jeff Tully

Modified Coach: Jason Brayman

Equipment Manager: Hunter Kearns

C. Adirondack League Baseball All-Star Second Team: Zachary Bartholomew

D. Chronicle Publication: IdaMae Tholl

IV. 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.

V. Presentations:

A. Senior Class Trip 6/19/23

B. Capital Project Development - Garrett Hamlin (TetraTech), Sarah Bradshaw (Bernie Donegan) and Christopher Rayder (Business Office)



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C. ESSR 3 Spending - Christopher Rayder

VI. Reports:

A. Board Committee Reports (9 Board Committees)

1. Budget, Finance and Audit Committee
 - a) Met tonight
2. Personnel, Grievance and Negotiations Committee
3. Curriculum and Instruction Committee
4. Policy Review Committee
 - a) Amanda Durkee working on setting a date via email
5. Athletic Committee
 - a) Met 6/6/23 = notes included in board packets
6. Strategic Planning Committee
7. Health & Safety of Buildings & Grounds
8. Capital Project Committee (John, Tom, Tim)
 - a) Proposed dates = June 20

B. Superintendent Report

C. Building Principal Report

D. Pupil Services Report - Absent

E. Business Official's Report

F. Building Maintenance Report

G. Student Board Member Report

VII. Discussion Items:

- A. Thank you to Christina Durkee for three years of service on the Board of Education.
- B. Thank you to James Donahue for five years of service on the Board of Education.
- C. Vacant Board Seat and Timeline
- D. Gaming Club
- E. Fall Cheerleading/Competitive Cheer
- F. School Resource Office (SRO)

VIII. 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 Board Meeting held May 8, 2023.
- B. Approval of Minutes for Special Board Meeting held May 30, 2023.
- C. Approval of Treasurer Reports for May as included in the Board packets.
- D. Approval of Budget Transfers for May as included in the Board packets.
- E. Approval of the Warrants and Claims for May as included in the Board packets.



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IX. Action:

- A. Motion to approve the CSE/CPSE Recommendations, as included in the Board packets.
- B. Motion to accept the generous \$500 donation from First Baptist Church of Glens Falls Thrift Shoppe.
- C. Motion to accept the generous donation of fifty hygiene kits bags from Lake George Region Women for WIN, Inc.
- D. Motion to approve the contract renewal for health services provided to children that reside in Fort Edward and attend Oak Hill School.
- E. Motion to approve the contract renewal for health services provided to children that reside in Fort Edward and attend Northern Rivers: Northeast Parent and Child Society.
- F. Motion to approve the MOA between Fort Edward UFSD and Girvin & Ferlazzo P.C. for the 2023-2024 school year.
- G. Motion to approve the MOA between Fort Edward Union Free School District and Washington County Public Health Nursing Service.
- H. Motion to approve the disposal of the fixed assets as listed in the Board packets.
- I. Motion to approve the first reading of the following revised policies:
#5661 - Wellness
- J. Motion to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the District is in receipt of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds (“ESSER”) and is obligated to use such funds to address pandemic learning loss and invest in infrastructure and programs to open and operate safely; and

WHEREAS, the District has extensively reviewed its areas of need and has made recommendations as to appropriate allocation of the ESSER funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the application for, and receipt and expenditure of ESSER funds for the purchase of a generator at a cost not to exceed \$520,000 and \$307,480 for salaries of personnel to support programs that shall support learning loss through implementation of evidence-based interventions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this authorization shall be effective immediately.

X. Personnel:

All appointments are subject to change and compensation proration, pending emergency school closing and required reductions in force. 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, extracurricular appointments are subject to reduction and compensation proration, pending final student enrollment numbers, and pending the outcome of any potential mergers and emergency school closings.



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- A. Motion to appoint Samantha Markham as Summer Credit Recovery Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- B. Motion to appoint Abigail Landon as Summer Academy Substitute Nurse, effective June 13, 2023, at a rate per the FESS Contract.
- C. Motion to appoint Christina Limson-Harvey as ELA Teacher, effective August 1, 2023 at a rate of Step 6 MA, per the FETA Contract.
- D. Motion to appoint FEH BOCES as Purchasing Agent.
- E. Motion to accept the letter of resignation from Kathryn Elms, effective June 9, 2023.

XI. Coaching - None

XII. Second Public Comment Period (if needed)

XIII. Executive Session

I need a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters referring to negotiations with a specific entity, as well as the employment of specific individuals.

Any Discussion?

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.

As I see that there is no further discussion we will vote.

XIV. Return to Public Session

XV. Adjournment