



Fort Edward Union Free School District
Meeting of the Board of Education
May 30, 2023
updated 5/25/23

Special Board Meeting 6:00 pm

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call Attendance: Thomas Roche, Ella Collins, James Donahue, Amanda Durkee, Christina Durkee, John Guglielmo, Timothy Clark, Taylor Boucher and Ella Aul (student member)

III. Recognition of Successes - None

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 - None

VI. Reports:

A. Board Committee Reports (9 Board Committees)

1. Budget, Finance and Audit Committee
2. Personnel, Grievance and Negotiations Committee
3. Curriculum and Instruction Committee
4. Policy Review Committee
 - a) Need to set a date
5. Athletic Committee
6. Strategic Planning Committee
7. Health & Safety of Buildings & Grounds
8. Capital Project Committee



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B. Superintendent Report

VII. Discussion Items - None

VIII. Consent Agenda - None

IX. Action:

- A. Motion to approve the bowling merger for all levels between the Fort Edward UFSD and Argyle CSD for the 2023-2024 school year.
- B. Motion to approve the contract renewal for health services provided to children that reside in Fort Edward and attend Prospect Center.
- C. Motion to approve the Fort Edward Recreation Department for facilities request, including transportation for the summer of 2023.
- D. Motion to accept the following results of the of the May 16, 2023 School Budget Vote and Election:
 - 1.School Budget: \$12,449,626.16
 - a) Passed
 - b) 143 Yes
 - c) 37 No
 - 2.Proposition #1: Establish a Capital Reserve Fund
 - a) Passed
 - b) 139 Yes
 - c) 42 No
 - 3.Proposition #2: Purchase a van using Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Reserve Fund
 - a) Passed
 - b) 134 Yes
 - c) 47 No
 - 4.Proposition #3: Transfer a portion of real property (the annex) to the Village of Fort Edward and Town of Fort Edward
 - a) Passed
 - b) 127 Yes
 - c) 54 No
 - 5.Election - no election was held due to the board reduction from nine to seven
- B. Motion to approve the disposal of the fixed assets as listed in the Board packets.

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



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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.

- A. Motion to approve the appointment of Jessica Smatko as Summer Academy Coordinator (K-8), effective May 15, 2023, at a rate \$65 per hour.
- B. Motion to approve the appointment of Hillary Potter as Summer Credit Recovery Teacher/Coordinator (9-12), effective May 15, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract.
- C. Motion to approve the appointment of Nelson Chase 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.
- D. Motion to approve the appointment of Catherine Briscoe as Summer Academy Nurse, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FESS Contract.
- E. Motion to approve the appointment of Susan Holzschuh as Summer Academy Teaching Assistant, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FESS Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- F. Motion to approve the appointment of Olivia Fisher as Summer Academy Teaching Assistant, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FESS Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- G. Motion to approve the appointment of Julie Terrio as Summer Academy Teaching Assistant, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FESS Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- H. Motion to approve the appointment of Nelson Chase as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- I. Motion to approve the appointment of Marianne Stark as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- J. Motion to approve the appointment of John Boucher as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- K. Motion to approve the appointment of Stephanie Bruce as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- L. Motion to approve the appointment of Ryan Herman as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- M. Motion to approve the appointment of Amber Bement as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- N. Motion to approve the appointment of Shannon Smith as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.



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- O. Motion to approve the appointment of Tiffany Wendel as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- P. Motion to approve the appointment of Jodie Brewer as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate..
- Q. Motion to approve the appointment of Kristine Bump as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- R. Motion to approve the appointment of Lisa Tyler as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.
- S. Motion to approve the appointment of Jeff Durkee as Summer Academy Teacher, effective May 31, 2023, at a rate per the FETA Contract to be paid at the bargaining unit members hourly rate.

XI. Coaching - None

XII. Second Public Comment Period (if needed)

XIII. Executive Session - None

XIV. Adjournment