

**Fort Edward Union Free School District
Meeting of the Board of Education
October 11, 2022**

Agenda

Board Committee Meeting: 5:30 Finance Committee link available at www.fortedward.org
Regular Board Meeting 6:30pm

Regular Board Meeting

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance Time: _____

II. Roll Call Attendance

TRoche__ ADurkee__ JDonahue__ TBoucher__ ECollins__ CDurkee__ JGuglielmo__ TClark__

III. Recognition of Successes:

All County Chorus: Aubrey Bacon, Megan Boyer, Rebecca Groesbeck, Aiden Mondore, Noah Ure, Karina Pietri, Abigail Foster, Kaelyn Nichols, Skyler McKinney, Gabrielle Durkee, Cecilie Ryther, Jaedyn Ferguson, Lynelle Colvin, Ollie Cutler, Zoe O’Connel

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:

NYSSBA

VI. Reports:

a. **Board Committee Reports (9 Board Committees)**

- i. Budget, Finance and Audit Committee (Met tonight)
- ii. Personnel, Grievance and Negotiations Committee (TBD)
- iii. Curriculum and Instruction Committee (next meeting TBD)
- iv. Policy Review Committee (next meeting, TBD)
- v. Athletic Committee (next meeting TBD)
- vi. Strategic Planning Committee (next meeting TBD)
- vii. Health & Safety of Buildings & Grounds (next meeting TBD)
- viii. Capital Project Committee (next meeting TBD)

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- b. **Superintendent Report:**
- c. **Treasurer Report (Reports in BOE Packets)**
- d. **K-12 Principal Report**

VII. Discussion Items:

- a. Followup discussion on E-sports. Taylor Boucher and Timothy Clark
- b. Vacant board seat

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 September 12, 2022
- b. Approval of Treasurer Reports for September as included in the Board packets.
- c. Approval of Budget Transfers for as included in the Board packets

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

IX. Action:

- A. 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 _____

- B. Motion to approve the 2022-2023 Fort Edward UFSD Comprehensive Improvement Plan (DCIP) as included in the Board Packets.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

Discussion:

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

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C. Motion to approve the following Resolution:

**COOPERATIVE BIDDING, CAFETERIA COMMODITIES FOR USE IN THE REGIONAL
FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023**

WHEREAS,

A number of public school districts have subscribed to the Regional Food Service Management program offered by Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES (Capital Region BOCES), and as a result require cafeteria commodities to meet the requirements of this program,

WHEREAS,

The School District named below is desirous of participating with other districts in cooperatively bidding the commodities and/or services mentioned above, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS,

The School District named below is a current client (subscriber) of the Regional Food Service Management program offered by Capital Region BOCES, and

WHEREAS,

The School District named below wishes to appoint the Capital Region BOCES to advertise for, bid, accept, tabulate and award bids on their behalf; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Board of Education of the School District listed below hereby appoints the Capital Region BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Daily Gazette Newspaper as the legal publication for all related Cooperative Purchasing bid notifications, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the Board of Education of the school district listed below authorizes the Capital Region BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to and including the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned commodities and services, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the Board of Education of the School District listed below agrees to (1) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts; (2) abide by the Award of the BOCES Board; (3) and that after the award of the bid it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

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D. Motion to approve the Baseball, Softball and Tennis mergers for all levels between Fort Edward, Hartford and Argyle Schools for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

E. Motion to accept the following: Trius, Inc, with an office in Ft. Edward NY wishes to make a one-time donation of \$1,000 to the Ft. Edward school district to be used to purchase new instruments or equipment for their music program. The donation is in honor of Gregory Huners, a lifelong musician, employee of Trius and resident of Ft. Edward. It can be used in one year or as the district sees fit.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

F. Motion to increase the current 2022-2023 budget by \$1,000 (internally we would increase budget code A2110-450) for the same so we can purchase the musical equipment.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

G. Motion to approve the first reading of revised Policy #7540 Suicide as presented in the Board Packets.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

H. Motion to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Fort Edward Union Free School District currently owns real property located at the annex 220 Broadway, in Fort Edward, NY; and

WHEREAS, the building was a residential property acquired by the School District in or around 1951 and used for intermittent classroom space, cafeteria space, or storage, but has not been actively used by the District since 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that this property is no longer of use or value to the District and that the District would benefit more from the sale or conveyance of the building;

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the building located at the Annex at 220 Broadway, Fort Edward, New York, is permanently closed effective immediately.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

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

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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.

- a. Motion to approve the resignation of John Brown as Transportation Coordinator for the Fort Edward UFSD effective October 14, 2022.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- b. Motion to approve the appointment of Amber Bement as Sophomore Class Co-Advisor for the 2022-2023 school year effective September 1, 2022 at a rate of pay of \$541.00

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

- c. Motion to appoint Peter Prindle as Co-Advisor for the Key Club for the 2022-2023 school year effective September 1, 2022 at a rate of pay \$150.00.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

Coaching:

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.

XI. Second Public Comment Period (if needed)

Comments:

XII. Executive Session:

Time: _____

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.

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

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.

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

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XIII. Return to Public Session

Time: _____

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____

XIV. Adjournment

Time: _____

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____

All in favor _____ All Opposed _____ Any abstentions _____