

FALCONER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY 4, 2021, AT 6:30 PM HELD AT THE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL BOARD ROOM

Members Present:

Todd Beckerink Robert Carpenter Marcella Centi Tracy Schrader Ro Woodard

Members Absent:

Tom Frederes Krissta Swanson

Administration Present:

Stephen Penhollow, Superintendent

Sara Kennison, School District Business Leader

Judy Roach, Director of Instruction and Staff Development (Zoom)
Julie Widen, Director of Special Education - Entered at 6:31 (Zoom)

Jeff Jordan, High School Principal (Zoom)

Holly Hannon, Temple Elementary School Principal (Zoom)

Others Present:

Ann Stearns

Due to current public health concerns, this meeting was also live streamed through Zoom at: https://e2ccb-gst.zoom.us/j/91998614460

CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT:

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Todd Beckerink, at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- The public was invited to address the Board. No requests to address the Board were received.
- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the Minutes of the April 20, 2021, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 <u>Motion Carried</u>

- Julie Widen arrived at 6:31 PM.

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Ro Woodard to approve the . Additions to the Agenda.

Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

- Ann Stearns addressed the Board of Education to formally submit her resignation for the purpose of retirement. Ann wanted to address the Board personally and thank them for all that they do for the school.
 - The Board thanked Ann.
 - Steve Penhollow stated that Ann is a true professional and takes her job very seriously. She has the ability to make every kid feel appreciated, to feel wanted and to feel respected. The greatest compliment you can give a teacher is to wish your children or grandchildren to be in their class. Ann has given her all. We truly respect that, and we thank her for her service to Falconer CSD.
- A motion was made (with regret) by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Ro Woodard to accept Ann Stearns' letter of resignation, due to retirement, effective June 30, 2021.

Voting Yes – 5 Voting No – 0 Motion Carried

- Ann Stearns left the meeting at 6:35 PM.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

~ None

DEPARTMENT/STAFF REPORTS:

Summaries of Reports Presented At The Board Meeting, additional details and information included in board packet written administrative reports:

- Holly Hannon
 - The Temple May Dream calendar was provided in the board packet for tonight.
 - Amendment to the safety meeting portion, one fire drill has taken place. The one scheduled for today had to be cancelled due to weather. Two more will need to be conducted.
 - Virtual learning zoom meeting was conducted. There are currently 11 remote learners.
 Holly met with all K-2 teachers that service those students.
 - Conducted two walkthroughs, 2 more are scheduled.
 - Non-tenure staff received their continuing employment letters last Friday and one teacher will be granted tenure this year.
 - April 3B's winners did a weekly video.
 - First student of the month lunch this week, the rest are scheduled for the coming weeks.
 - Today was Teacher Appreciation Day.

- Judy Roach

- Biggest thing right now are timeline changes for ELA, Math and Science in regards to implementation of the next gen standards and timelines for upcoming assessments. Things have been pushed out because of COVID. There are some timeline maps available that can be provided. In good shape in regards to implementation of the standards.
- Update on the BER Courses, the deadline is approaching to complete those courses. As of today, 31 certificates have been turned in, more have been completed just waiting on the certificate to be turned in, out of 49. Really good that 49 people participated in this.
- 3-8 testing has taken place the last two weeks and in the coming weeks. There are only 4 regents exams being given in June.

Jeff Jordan

- Return of grades 9 through 11 has been going well, the students are doing well following the COVID guidelines. There is a quarantine related to athletics but other than that the return to school is going well. The students are excited to be back.
- Has met with the regents teachers for the four exams that are coming up and are preparing for them.
- Tractor Day went really well. There were 6 tractors that participated.
- Driver's Ed update, there are still openings in the first and second sessions, so we are continuing to have sign ups and will until June.
- Looking at doing a Spring Musical on 5/23, includes senior chorus members, and they will be able to have a couple family members attend in person.
- Athletics for Spring started up with week (Track, Baseball, Softball and Wrestling)
- We are completing our Spring Fire drills.
- Looking ahead, Prom is coming up on June 5th, which is at the Grandview for Seniors and After Prom will be for Juniors from 8-11, and Seniors will attend from 11:30 to the remainder of the night
- Announced that the Valedictorian is MiKaela LeBaron and the Salutatorian is Allie Davis.

- Julie Widen

- Wanted to attend to wish Mrs. Stearns well as a Friend and a Colleague. Sad to see her go but happy for her to move on to retirement.
- In the world of Special Ed, May is traditionally our busiest month. Running with a lot of annual reviews right now.
- Next meeting I will be able to report on the Special Olympics. It is next Friday. Should have a video to present at the next meeting.

- Sara Kennison

- On the agenda tonight is the approval of the SEQRA for the proposed 2021-2022
 Capital Outlay project. The funding for this project is included in the proposed 2021-2022 budget.
- The public budget hearing and annual meeting is tonight at 7:00 PM and the annual vote is scheduled for in-person on May 18th.
- Those eligible to vote in the school election who are concerned with the possibility of potentially contracting COVID may request an absentee ballot.
- The US Department of Agriculture has announced that it is extending its universal free lunch program through the 2021-2022 school year.

Steve Penhollow mentioned that we have been provided free meals to be distributed to the community. They will be picked up in the morning and will be distributing them at Fenner Elementary starting at 9:30, first come first serve. The District is looking to have Honor Society students help with the distribution of these meals.

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:49 PM to attend the public hearing.

Voting Yes - 5
Voting No - 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Robert Carpenter to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:42 PM.

Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

- Steve Penhollow
 - The Grange meeting went very well. Tracy, Todd, Sara and Steve attended this meeting. As always, they were well informed and asked great questions.
 - The District did open bids for the capital outlay project for this year. There is a letter of recommendation for your consideration tonight. It includes the base bid and addition #3 for a total of \$71,200. There were 6 total bidders. There is a long lead time for the ordering of the doors for this project. There are a few change orders being considered for specific doors to be updated.
 - Marching Band merger with Frewsburg CSD. Ro Woodard asked how many students this usually involves. Typically 50 total (25 from Falconer and 25 from Frewsburg).
 - Remind the Board that this is the time of year for the Superintendent's Evaluation. The board requested that this be provided electronically.
 - Village Pride Day will be May 7th from 9 to 11 AM. This starts at the Falconer Firehall and then breaks out into teams to clean up the village.

Tracy Schrader inquired about the previously accepted retirement of a Home and Careers teacher. Steve Penhollow stated that they will be position and, if the district is not able to find a replacement for that position, they will then look into other options.

Tracy Schader also asked about the meaning of Dual NYS Elementary Certification Preferred that is included on the Superintendent's report. Steve Penhollow answered that a candidate would have more than one certification. The District will be more specific when the actual posting is created.

Robert Carpenter asked if the District thought they would be able to find a Health/PE certified candidate again for the anticipated opening as they are hard to find. Steve Penhollow stated that if the District hires a candidate, their tenure will be contingent on getting their Health Certification.

Robert Carpenter also asked if the District was going to be able to fix the concrete that is outside the gym doors before the doors are replaced. Steve Penhollow stated that the concrete will be done before the new doors are put in.

Marcella Centi asked if the Tennis Courts are open to the public and expressed concern with the resurfacing and the amount of dogs that are seen in the tennis courts. Maybe the signage on the tennis courts needs to be updated after the resurfacing of the tennis courts.

INFORMATION

- Administrative Reports Additional Administration Reports are included in the Board Packet.
- Committee Reports
- Letter to Parents from Julie Widen, Director of Student Support Services; Holly Hannon,
 Temple Elementary Principal; and Gary Gilbert, Fenner Elementary Principal, regarding
 Speech and Occupational Therapy screenings.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the CSE Minutes of April 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29, 2021; and the CPSE Minutes of April 21, 27 and 28, 2021.

Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

 A motion was made by Marcella Centi and seconded by Ro Woodard to approve the resolution to approve the Marching Band Extracurricular Sharing Agreement with Frewsburg CSD, as provided.

Voting Yes - 5
Voting No - 0
Motion Carried

A motion was made by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Ro Woodard to approve the resolution, dated May 4, 2021, of the Board of Education of the Falconer Central School District, declaring the District's proposed Capital Outlay Project involving the reconstruction and construction of modest upgrades and improvements to the District's Paul B.D. Temple Elementary Building to be a Type II Action under SEQRA, and authorizing and directing the inclusion of funding for such project in the district's proposed 2021-2022 budget.

Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Tracy Schrader to award the bid to Erie Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$71,200.00 for Falconer Central School's 2020-2021 Capital Outlay Project, Middle/High School No. 06-11-01-04-0-001-014.

Voting Yes – 5 Voting No – 0 <u>Motion Carried</u>

POLICIES

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the second reading/approval of new, required Policy 3421, <u>Title IX and Sex Discrimination</u>.

Voting Yes – 5 Voting No – 0 Motion Carried

FINANCE

- A motion was made by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the Claim Schedule, as of May 4, 2021.

Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Dave Micek, Director of Facilities will be at the 5/18/2021 Meeting

TRANSPORTATION:

- Scott Peterson, Head Bus Driver will be at the 6/15/2021 Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

 A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to convene Executive Session at 8:01 PM to discuss personnel matters.

> Voting Yes – 5 Voting No – 0 <u>Motion Carried</u>

- Board President, Todd Beckerink, reconvened Regular Session at 8:16 PM.

PERSONNEL:

- A motion was made by Marcella Centi and seconded by Ro Woodard to approve the request from Samantha Slate for maternity leave, tentatively beginning June 19, 2021, continuing through the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, in accordance with Board Policy 6551.

Voting Yes - 5
Voting No - 0
Motion Carried

 A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the medical leave of absence request from Tammy Yager, effective April 9, 2021, through July 1, 2021.

> Voting Yes - 5 Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the appointments of Kevin Sprawka and Shelby Overturf to the substitute-teaching list.

Voting Yes - 5
Voting No - 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Tracy Schrader to approve the resignation, due to retirement, of Henry Johnson, effective July 30, 2021. He wishes to be placed on the substitute list for the areas of maintenance and custodial upon his retirement.

Voting Yes - 5
Voting No - 0
Motion Carried

 A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the additions of the following persons to the Extra-Curricular List:

> Kyle Petersen Jacob Youngberg Mike Smith

Modified Girls' and Boys' Track Coach Volunteer Wrestling Coaching Assistant Volunteer Wrestling Coaching Assistant

Voting Yes – 5 Voting No – 0 <u>Motion Carried</u>

EXTRA EXCLOSURES:

- Temple Dream Team Calendar - May 2021

ADJOURNMENT:

 A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 PM.

Voting Yes - 5. Voting No - 0 Motion Carried

Sara Kennison

District and Board Clerk

Ana Chemsen