



**FALCONER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 2, 2021, AT 6:30 PM
HELD AT THE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL BOARD ROOM**

Members Present: Todd Beckerink
 Tom Frederes
 Robert Carpenter
 Marcella Centi
 Tracy Schrader
 Krissta Swanson
 Ro Woodard

Members Absent: None

Administration Present: Stephen Penhollow, Superintendent
 Sara Kennison, School District Business Leader
 Judy Roach, Director of Instruction and Staff Development
 Jeff Jordan, High School Principal
 Holly Hannon, Temple Elementary School Principal - Via Zoom
 Scott Peterson, Head Bus Driver

Others Present: Cynthia McKane (Left at 8:36 PM) - Via Zoom
 Toby D. (Arrived at 7:57 PM) - Via Zoom

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Tom Frederes to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 6:31 PM.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- Judy Roach, Jeff Jordan, Holly Hannon and Scott Peterson left the meeting due to Executive Session at 6:31 PM
- Jeff Jordan returned and entered the executive session at 7:16 PM.
- Board President, Todd Beckerink, reconvened Regular Session at 7:30 PM.
- Judy Roach, Holly Hannon and Scott Peterson returned to the meeting at 7:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUED:

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Robert Carpenter to approve the Minutes of the February 16, 2021, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Voting Yes – 7
 Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

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

Voting Yes – 7
 Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

- Judy Roach presented on the results of the Falconer Central School Return to Full In-Person Instruction Survey. There were 402 participants, which equals a 64% response rate for the District. The survey results covered included:
 - o How concerned parents/guardians are about the health and safety of their children and returning to full in-person instruction
 - o If students that are fully remote would return when the District returns to full in-person instruction
 - o If their children would require District transportation upon the return to full in-person instruction
 - o Highlight of Parent/Guardian comments received from the survey
- There was a discussion on the different instructional method options that will be available when the District returns to full in-person instruction.
- Todd Beckerink asked about the time frame that is being proposed for the District to return to full in-person instruction. The current idea is to bring back 6,7,8 and 12th grade with grades 9, 10, and 11 to follow. This will be discussed further in the Administration Meeting planned for 3/3/2021.
- Judy will send out all 141 comments to the Board of Education for their information.

Judy Roach left the meeting at 7:56 PM.

DEPARTMENT/STAFF REPORTS:

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

- Holly Hannon
 - Temple Elementary has celebrated their 100th day of school.
 - Temple is looking to bring back some of their remote learners into the District for in-person instruction. Currently they are looking at space to see if there is room for those students.
 - A Student Teacher, Katie, currently in Marissa Shields room at Temple, asked Holly to observe her scheduled lesson that she is recording for the State for her certification, Holly is excited to observe.
 - 3D's Assembly was held last Friday.
 - Continuing to Honor our Students of the Month with their lunches this week.
 - Todd addressed it would be interesting to see where the students that are remote and coming back into the District are within the curriculum compared to the students that have been in-person for the entirety of this school year.

- Jeff Jordan
 - Terry and Jeff are planning for the return of remote students.
 - Driver Ed sign ups have begun for this summer.
 - Looking at ways to help out senior CTE students with acquiring internships due to COVID restrictions in local businesses.
 - The National Honor Society is planning an in-person induction ceremony that will include the students being inducted and their parents.
 - Todd Beckerink - asked about how the District is deciding which students are being entered into the Driver's Education Program. Jeff responded that currently they are going by age because of the number interested in the program. There was also discussion on current requirements, which include drive time being done with the parent in the car. The Driver's Education instructors will be providing lab time and also potentially following behind the student driver's vehicle with the parent in the car with the student.

- Scott Peterson
 - The school website has been updated to include the updated COVID procedures.
 - Transportation is currently working on reviewing the driver's handbook for any needed updates.
 - Working on creating a Falconer Central School safety video. Will most likely be created when the weather is better and hopefully with our drama students.
 - Have received approval from FCC licensing regarding creating a repeater system to improve our radio signals across the District.
 - Working on getting quotes to get pricing on installing speakers in the bus garage.
 - Todd Beckerink suggested reaching out to E911 about the District being able to use their repeaters. Scott will follow up on this after the meeting.

- Sara Kennison
 - Our tax cap was submitted on 3/1/2021 and the Ddistrict's allowable tax cap for the 2021-2022 year is 2.59%, which amounts to \$185,069.60.
 - In the Board Report is an update for the Governor's proposed budget with some highlights, notes and concerns included.
 - M&T Bank has informed the District that the location on West Main Street in Falconer has been consolidated and will be closing in June.

- Also in the Board Report is an update on the status of state aid payments that were withheld in the prior year, the amount we have received and the amounts still outstanding.
- The District's new pickup truck that was approved at the last meeting was delivered to the District yesterday.
- Stephen Penhollow
 - Update on the Capital Project - Bids for Phase III were opened and on the agenda tonight is the approval for the bid from Jamestown Roofing for a total of \$549,830. This includes the base bid and an alternative for the Temple gym roof to be replaced. The district is currently looking at uncompleted alternatives from Phase II that can be done with the remaining capital budget funds from the 2017 project. Dave Micek has been asked to create a priority list.
 - There is a calendar change on the Agenda tonight to add a Superintendent's Day to 3/19/2021. Originally, the March Superintendent's Day was moved to the beginning of the year to prepare for new instruction models. The District needs this additional Superintendent's Day to get ready for District-wide full in-person instruction, for focusing on instruction and planning. Todd Beckerink asked about BOCES students for that day. Jeff Jordan responded that the District will be providing transportation to BOCES students that want to attend that day.
 - There are two new policies up for a First Reading on the agenda tonight.
 - There are also multiple personnel items up for approval tonight.
 - Sporting events are allowing 2 spectators per athlete, and the district is continuing to live stream the events.
 - Tracy Schrader addressed that earlier it was asked the timeframe of the full in-person instruction and it was not fully answered. There will be discussion of the District's process for creating a full District in-person re-open plan with a full committee. This will be discussed further in the Administration Meeting on 3/3/2021 and the Board will be kept up to date as the plan progresses.

INFORMATION

- Administrative Reports – Additional Administration Reports are included in the Board Packet.
- Committee Reports
 - Todd Beckerink stated that the Facilities Committee update was discussed earlier in the meeting.
 - Robert Carpenter discussed that his seat on the BOCES Board is up for reelection this year. BOCES Board Member terms are 3 years and, if anyone is interested or knows of someone interested, he would not run again. However, if no one is interested he would recommend that the Board endorse the incumbents in the BOCES Board Election.
- JCC's Student Intern placement of Melodie Paladino with Jeff Jordan, High School Principal, effective immediately through May 17, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS

- A motion was made by Marcella Centi and seconded by Tracy Schrader to approve the revised Falconer Central School 2021-2021 Calendar.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Krissta Swanson to approve the CSE Minutes of February 11, 23 and 24, 2021; and the CPSE Minutes of February 24, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

POLICIES

- First Reading of New Required Policy 5633, Gender Neutral Single-Occupancy Bathrooms, was reviewed.
- First Reading of Falconer Central School District’s Continuation of Operations Plan (Amendment to the District Safety Plan) was reviewed.

FINANCE

- A motion was made by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Tom Frederes to approve the Claim Schedule, as of March 2, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Tom Frederes and seconded by Robert Carpenter to award a construction contract bid for Falconer CSD Capital Improvement Project, Phase III - (Harvey C. Fenner Elementary SED No. 06-11-01-04-0-002-009) and (Paul B.D. Temple Elementary SED No. 06-11-01-04-0-007-009) to Jamestown Roofing, Inc., for a total of \$549,830 (Base Bid \$459,830 and Alternative No. 1 Temple Elementary Gym Room \$90,000).

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Tom Frederes and seconded by Robert Carpenter to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month beginning January 1, 2021 and ending January 31, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

- Dave Micek, Director of Facilities, is scheduled to be at the second Board Meeting in March. (3/16/2021).

TRANSPORTATION:

- Scott Peterson, Head Bus Driver, was in attendance at this meeting and transportation was discussed earlier in the meeting.

PERSONNEL:

- A motion was made by Marcella Centi and seconded by Tracy Schrader to approve the medical leave of absence request for Ken Franzen, effective April 19, 2021 through June 20, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Robert Carpenter to approve the extension of Tammy Yager’s medical leave through March 14, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the enclosed list of graduate credits for approval per the Superintendent’s recommendation.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Tom Frederes and seconded by Marcella Centi to table the unpaid leave of absence for Debra Abbey, effective February 24, 2021 through March 14, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Marcella Centi and seconded by Krissta Swanson to approve the following persons to the 2020-2021 Extra-Curricular List:

Rich Bianco - Modified Baseball Coach
Jamie Zaranek - Modified Softball Coach
Sadie Stuart - Varsity Softball Coach
Chris Fiasco - Junior Varsity Softball Volunteer
Michael Zanghi - Football Volunteer

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Marcella Centi to approve the addition of Joseph Scapelitte to the substitute-teaching list.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Tom Frederes to approve the medical leave of absence request from Henry Johnson, effective March 22, 2021, through September 21, 2021.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

- A motion was made, with regret, by Marcella Centi, and seconded, with thanks, by Tracy Schrader, to approve the resignation of Betty Titus, cleaner, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2021. She wishes to be placed on the substitute cleaner list upon retirement.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

EXTRA EXCLOSURES:

- Staff Newsletter for 2/6/2021
- Temple’s March 2021 Dream Team Calendar

ADJOURN MEETING:

- A motion was made by Tracy Schrader and seconded by Krissta Swanson to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Voting Yes – 7
Voting No – 0
Motion Carried

Sara Kennison
District Clerk