

GOUVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
 BOARD OF EDUCATION
 GOUVERNEUR NEW YORK 13642
 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 5, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

The REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education of Gouverneur Central School District was called to order by President David Fenlong, at 5:30 P.M., EDT in the High School Auditorium, leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Present: Todd E. Bates, Brooke Bush, Dr. William Cartwright, David Fenlong, Mark Hendrick, Naaman Lowry, Laurie M. Roberts, Laura Spicer.

Trustees Absent: Nickolas Ormasen.

Also Present: Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools; Jessica Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum; Carol LaSala, Business Manager; Tatia Z. Kennedy, District Clerk; Mariah Manning, Student Board Representative.

II. COMMENT PERIOD

No comments were made.

III. DISCUSSION

A. Presentation – Staff Recognition Award

On behalf of the Shared Decision Making team, President Fenlong was proud to present the November award to Valerie Graves: “Val goes above and beyond her typical duties as the High School Guidance Secretary each and every day. No matter what issue a student is having, Val stops what she is doing and offers a kind listening ear, and advice for the students...She often stays late to finish her work for the day because talking to/helping students consumed her time in the day. She is selfless, kind, and would do anything for a staff member or student. She goes above and beyond every day to make sure our students feel supported and cared for.”

B. Communications

None.

C. Student Board Representative Report – Mariah Manning

Ms. Manning announced that the high school fall drama productions of *Three Doors to Death* and *Mack to the Past* would be performed December 16 and 17, the first production in many years. It will also be performed for the student body during the school day. She also shared that nine new members were inducted into the Tri-M Honor Society for music at the ceremony the previous evening. President Fenlong thanked her and encouraged everyone to take in the production.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Communication from Consultant – Electric Buses

Business Manager LaSala provided a brief update that included a newsletter from the electric school bus consultant and informed board members she will be completing a fleet assessment service application to send to National Grid.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

President David Fenlong asked if any member on the Board wished to have any item on the Consent Agenda removed for special consideration and discussion. No member asked that any items be removed.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda

Upon presentation and recommendation of Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Trustee Laurie M. Roberts, and seconded by Vice-President Todd E. Bates, that the Board of Education approve the following items, A-D, as a consent agenda:

VI. CONSENT AGENDA (CONTINUED)

A. Minutes

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2022, as presented.

B. Claims Auditor's Reports

(See Sheet #1, Board Minutes File Folder)

Approve the Claims Auditor's Reports for the period 11/21/22 – 12/02/22, as presented.

C. CSE Business

(See Sheet #2, Board Minutes File Folder)

Approve the services, including additions, modifications, and deletions, for the following classified students, as reflected in the attached CSE Meeting Minutes report:

CSE Student ID#:

5103282	5103226	5103227	5101096	5104661	5100923
14036	5101441	5100299	5100919	5104592	5100416
5103416	5101009	5101775	5102837		

D. CPSE Business

(See Sheet #3, Board Minutes File Folder)

Approve the services, including additions, modifications, and deletions, for the following classified students, as reflected in the attached CPSE Meeting Minutes report:

CPSE Student ID#:

5104639	5103916
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Vote on Consent Agenda Items

YEAS: All Trustees Present NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL

President David Fenlong asked if any member on the Board wished to have any item on the Consent Agenda – Personnel removed for special consideration and discussion. No member asked that any items be removed.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda – Personnel

Upon presentation and recommendation of Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools, motion made by Vice-President Todd E. Bates, and seconded by Trustee Laura Spicer, that the Board of Education approve the following Personnel items, A-D, as a Consent Agenda:

A. Memorandum of Agreement #4 between the Gouverneur Central School District and the Gouverneur School Related Personnel Union

(See Sheet #4, Board Minutes File Folder)

Approve the MOA#4 to the contract between the District and GSRPU to provide additional compensation to teacher aides who substitute teach when no substitutes or other appropriate means are available.

B. Memorandum of Agreement #2 between the Gouverneur Central School District and the Gouverneur Teachers' Association

(See Sheet #5, Board Minutes File Folder)

Approve the MOA#2 to the contract between the District and GTA to provide additional compensation to teachers who voluntarily forfeit a preparation period in order to provide coverage for a class period and teaching assistants who substitute teach when no substitutes or other appropriate means are available.

C. Resignations

Accept the request for resignation from Leigh Chapman, from her position as Art Teacher, effective December 9, 2022.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

D. Appointments1. Non-Instructional

5-hour Food Service Helper(s). The following personnel will move from their position of 2.75-hour Food Service Helper to the position of 5-hour Food Service Helper, in the Labor class of the civil service, commencing on December 6, 2022, at an annual salary in accordance with the Gouverneur School Related Personnel Union agreement at the designated level, from the current GSRPU salary schedule, prorated to December 6, 2022.

Carrie Chartrand, Middle School, Level 2

Sandra Martin, Elementary School, Level 2

Nichole Cornell, Elementary School, Level 1

2. Substitutes and Tutors

Approve the appointment of the following personnel as listed to work as per diem substitutes for Instructional and/or Support positions as recommended, pending completion of all requirements including mandatory Vector training, NYSED fingerprint clearance, substitute training and shadowing, and necessary employee paperwork, for the 2022-2023 school year: Paul Buell (certified teacher), Logan Garrison, Nazzarena Easton.

Vote on Consent Agenda – Personnel Items:

YEAS: All Trustees Present NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL, APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

President Fenlong offered best wishes to Ms. Chapman on her future endeavors and thanked those who will be coming in as substitutes.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. COMMENT PERIOD

No comments were offered from the audience. Trustee Roberts inquired if exit interviews are still held when someone resigns; Superintendent Kelly affirmed they were still done.

X. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Dr. William Cartwright, and seconded by Trustee Laura Spicer, that the Board of Education move into executive session to discuss the employment history of particular persons, collective negotiations with the teachers' union, and pending litigation.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:45 PM.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Open session resumed at 6:25 PM.

XI. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

There being no further business or discussion, motion made by Vice-President Todd E. Bates, and seconded by Trustee Naaman Lowry, to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:25 PM.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature on file]
Tatia Z. Kennedy, District Clerk

[signature on file]
David Fenlong, President

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CLOSED BOARD MEETING

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A CLOSED MEETING of the Board of Education of Gouverneur Central School District started at 6:28 P.M. in the High School Auditorium.

Trustees Present: Todd E. Bates, Brooke Bush, Dr. William Cartwright, David Fenlong, Mark Hendrick, Naaman Lowry, Laurie M. Roberts, Laura Spicer.

Trustees Absent: Nickolas Ormasen.

Also Present: Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools and Acting Clerk.

Motion made by Trustee Laura Spicer, and seconded by Trustee Laurie M. Roberts, that the Board of Education move into a closed meeting to discuss a student's records which is a matter made confidential by federal law.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. CLOSED MEETING BEGAN AT 6:28 PM.

ADJOURN CLOSED MEETING

Motion made by Trustee Naaman Lowry, and seconded by Vice-President Todd E. Bates, to adjourn the closed meeting at 6:35 PM.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. CLOSED MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature on file]
Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Acting Clerk

[signature on file]
David Fenlong, President