

JOHNSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL  
April 11, 2022  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MINUTES

Board Members Present: Rachel DeGroat  
Tara Sears  
Tom Ordway  
Sarah Williams  
Jake Sauer-Jones

Board Member Absent: Erwin Morris  
Mike Sharp

**Call to Order:** Rachel DeGroat opened the meeting at 7:03 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes:** Tara Sears made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2022 Board of Education Meeting, seconded by Tom Ordway and carried.

**CSE/CPSE/504:** Tom Ordway made a MOTION to accept the CSE/CPSE/504 reports, second by Tara Sears and carried.

**Agenda Changes:** Add Letter H under Items for Discussion and/or Action: The Board of Education accepts the mutual agreement between the District and Bruce McGinn for the separation of Mr. McGinn's services as the Varsity Softball coach effective April 8, 2022.  
Add Letter I under Items for Discussion and/or Action: MOTION to approve Allison Gonyo as the Varsity Softball coach as of April 11, 2022

**Items for Discussion and/or Action:**

**Reading:** Rachel DeGroat had the second reading of the Wellness-Sun Safety Policy, number 7662

**Motions:** Tara Sears made a MOTON to approve the Wellness Sun

Safety Policy number 7662, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

**Discussion:**

Rachel DeGroat spoke on behalf of the Curriculum Committee regarding the hiring of a Home and Career teacher for seventh and eighth-grade CTE credits. She asked the Board to consider hiring Anna Bowers to work part-time teaching middle school CTE as well as a 9-12 culinary elective.

Tom Ordway asked if we will no longer have a “shop” teacher and Mike Markwica said they have no applicants. Tom Ordway asked if the kitchen in the Home Economics room was workable. Heather Flanagan said it was. Rachel DeGroat also stated that we are looking for a business teacher.

Sarah Williams said she thought this was a great idea. Jake Sauer-Jones said we should move forward with Anna Bowers and add her to our next agenda.

Rachel DeGroat spoke next on AP or College Courses for next year. The Curriculum Committee would like to offer students, college-level classes, in place of AP classes to help with the start of their college careers.

Mike Markwica stated that there could be a possible cost to the student, unlike in the past.

Rachel DeGroat stated there may be scholarships available to help cover the cost for families in need.

**Motion:**

Tom Ordway made a MOTION to appoint Cindy Homer, Cassie Noel, and Mary Cooper as Budget Vote Workers on May 17, 2022, from 11:30-8:30 at \$15 hr or their present hourly wage whichever is higher for Budget Vote 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm., seconded by Jake Sauer-Jones and carried.

Tom Ordway made a MOTION to accept Lynette Delzceg’s Family Medical Leave effective April 4, 2022, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

**Presentation:**

Larry Ringer gave a PowerPoint presentation on the 2022-2023 school budget.

Tom Ordway thanked Larry Ringer and the Administration for working on the budget.

Rachel DeGroat stated that it was the Board of Educations' decision to go with a 0% tax levy increase this year.

Tom Ordway asked where the District was on purchasing electric buses.

Larry Ringer said we will eventually need to change over our buses but we will wait. There will be grant money available.

**Motions:**

Tara Sears made a MOTION for the Board of Education accepts the mutual agreement between the District and Bruce McGinn for the separation of Mr. McGinn's services as the Varsity Softball coach effective April 8, 2022, seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

Tara Sears made a MOTION to approve Allison Gonyo as the Varsity Softball coach as of April 11, 2022, seconded by Tom Ordway.

Mike Markwica informed the Board that each coach will be paid per diem for the time coached.

Tara Sears and Jake Sauer-Jones thanked Allison Gonyo for stepping up to coach. MOTION carried.

**Committee Reports:**

Wellness Committee:

Sarah Williams reported that the Wellness Committee was working with individuals from the Glens Falls Hospital and federal grants for health and fitness goals. She spoke on the new Sun Safety Policy and a gardening program.

Sarah Williams stated that a group visited Granville Central School to see how their food/plant stations worked. She was very excited in the possibilities for our students.

**Updates:**

Mike Markwica stated that we have been approved to be a school zone. We will need to purchase the signs and lights and the county will cover the poll and installation fees.

Tara Sears asked if Mike Markwica looked into the county enlarging the shoulder of Main Street in front of our school.

Mike Markwica stated he did get in touch but has not

received a response yet.

**Other Business:**

Jake Sauer-Jones asked what the status of ASP was. Mike Markwica stated they are looking at redesigning it for next year.

Tara Sears announced that her son, Cole Sears is working on his Eagle Scout Award, by revitalizing the American Legion Memorial. Cole is having a bottle drive to help pay for the cost.

Jake Sauer-Jones stated that he thinks the Board needs to look at the 50/50 policy with Minerva for sports. He stated that we are providing most of the equipment and they are not keeping up with their fields.

Mike Markwica stated he has already discussed this with Minerva's administration.

Tara Sears asked if we were using their tennis courts and Mike Markwica said he had already spoken to Minerva about them.

**Adjournment:**

Tara Sears made a **MOTION** to adjourn at 7:57 seconded by Sarah Williams and carried.

District Clerk: Cindy Homer

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