

JOHNSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL
October 25, 2021
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Rachel DeGroat
Erwin Morris
Tom Ordway
Sarah Williams
Jake Sauer-Jones
Mike Sharp

Board Member Absent:

Tara Sears

Call to Order: Rachel DeGroat opened the meeting at 7:01 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: Sarah Williams made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 Board of Education Meeting, seconded by Tom Ordway, Erwin Morris abstained and carried.

Financial: Tom Ordway asked if the school has seen an increase in the price of fuel and food. Larry Ringer stated that we have a bid with our fuel so that we won't see the actual increase, but we will need to increase our line item for each in next year's budget. Larry Ringer stated that we are having difficulty getting some food items either by no quantities available or no transportation. Larry Ringer also told the Board that we acquired our new bus this week and it will be on the road soon.

Discussion/Motions: **Presentation:** Russel Moro presented as the Social Studies Chairperson. He included students Julia Morris and Milan Brouthers at this presentation.

Tom Ordway made a MOTION to appoint Paul Clickner as a Full-Time Bus Driver at Step 17 beginning November 1, 2021, seconded by Jake Sauer-Jones. Mike Sharp stated that he understood why the starting salary was high, but he hopes we give older employees an equal playing field. Jake Sauer-Jones stated that

the pay equals the position; bus drivers are hard to find. MOTION carried.

Erwin Morris made a MOTION to appoint Peter Olesheski as Varsity Boys Basketball coach for the 2021-2022 school year seconded by Tom Ordway and carried.

Tom Ordway made a MOTION to appoint John Hurley as the Modified Boys Basketball coach for the 2021-2022 school year, seconded by Erwin Morris and carried.

Committee Reports:

Wall of Fame: Tom Ordway spoke for the Wall of Fame Committee. The committee met before the Board meeting. There are many candidates to choose from.

Curriculum Committee: Rachel DeGroat spoke for the Curriculum Committee. The committee discussed Shop class, Home Ec., and the life skills class. They discussed Regents and AP exams. They are going to speak to Mrs. Bruce, our Guidance Counselor.

Negotiation Committee: Mike Markwica reported that the committee will meet with the members of the CSEA Union on November 1st.

Updates:

Mike Markwica spoke to the owner of Lutos Co. and Andrea Hogan, Town Supervisor, about the possibility of creating an app for local senior citizens to use when they need help with small jobs. Our students would sign-up as volunteers. More information to come.

Other Business:

Tom Ordway asked about the status of the Archery Club. Erika Patton has a sign-up evening planned for November. The Trap club is in their final week. Our participants are doing well.

Mike Sharp asked about the sewer project. Mike Markwica stated he would get more information for the next meeting.

Jake Sauer-Jones asked if Mike Markwica spoke to Allison Gonyo regarding youth basketball. Mike Markwica said they did

meet but they need to speak again.

Tom Ordway asked if there were any applicants for the Head Custodian position. Mike Markwica said there were not. Jake Sauer-Jones asked how we were advertising. Mike Markwica reported that we placed an ad in the Post Star, our local newspaper, as well as on the website and Facebook. Jake Sauer-Jones suggested we look into advertising on the radio. Mike Markwica stated we would look into it.

Visitor's Comments:

Julia Morris asked if we had any applicants for girl's varsity basketball. Mike Markwica reported there are two applicants and the decision would be made by the next Board meeting.

Adjournment:

Tom Ordway made a **MOTION** to adjourn at 7:51 seconded by Jake Sauer-Jones and carried.

District Clerk: Cindy Homer

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