



*Newfane Central School District
Board of Education*

NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 3, 2019

The December 3, 2019 meeting of the Newfane Board of Education was held in Room 129 at the Early Childhood Center. The meeting was called to order by Board President Schmitt at 7:02 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

A. Casinelli, A. Kennedy, M. Lingle, E. Oudette, J. Schmitt, M. Stefanoski
L. Licht
M. Baumann, B. Schuler, P. Young, M. Przybysz, A. Chaffee, D. Bedette

G. Bellinger

**TRUSTEES PRESENT
TRUSTEE EXCUSED
ADMINISTRATION
PRESENT
OTHERS PRESENT**

The District Mission Statement was read by Trustee Lingle.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
and
DISTRICT MISSION
STATEMENT**

Motion made by Trustee Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Kennedy
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for December 3, 2019 be approved.
Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

**ESTABLISH ORDERS OF
THE DAY
Approved the agenda**

Mr. Gordon Bellinger, representative for the Vietnam Veterans of America, Niagara County offered some statistical information about life expectancy of Vietnam Veterans and complimented the district on the showing of pride that it has for its Veterans through activities.

**Public remarks or
comments**

Superintendent Baumann outlined what the Veterans Tax Exemption is and how it is applied. Projected changes in the taxes for the district were outlined with examples. Niagara County data was used for the presentation. A timeline was also shared if the board was to move forward with a resolution adopting this exemption.

**PRESENTATIONS
Veterans Tax Exemption**

PRESIDENT REPORT:

President Schmitt did not have a report at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Superintendent Baumann asked the Board of Education to join him in building visits on December 20. He will share the December district events schedule with the board this week. An update on the January regents week at the High School schedule was given, undergraduates will now have midterm exams that week along with the regents schedule.

REPORTS

The monitoring system was installed this week with the grant received, Mutual Link. New Horizons counseling services at the middle school are receiving referrals and have seen the district families benefitting from this collaboration. The Board of Education retreat will take place on Monday February 10. And, the Mobile App for the website is just about ready for roll out.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Kennedy reminded the board that the Legislative Breakfast is January 25, that there is a BOCES tour available and that she will be attending a Speed Boarding event put on by the Erie County Association of Schools Boards.

NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:

M. Heitzenrater represented the NTA, he shared several recent events that happened at the Middle School and thanked the Board of Education for programming that has benefitted both the staff and students.

THE REMAINDER OF THE AGENDA WAS PRESENTED AS WORKSHOP ITEMS WITHOUT VOTE

ROUTINE ORDER OF BUSINESS

RESOLVE, that the minutes of the November 19, 2019 and December 3, 2019 meetings of the Board of Education be and are approved.

Minutes
Encl. 2019.12.17.8A

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the following Warrant Reports for October 2019.

Warrants
Encl. 2019.12.17.8B

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement for the period ending October 2019.

School lunch Profit and Loss
Encl. 2019.12.17.8C

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Quarterly Student Activity Funds Report through September 2019.

Extra Classroom Activity Reports
Encl. 2019.12.17.8D

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>ENDING BALANCE</u>
Newfane Elementary School	07/01/19-09/30/19	\$ 6,298.25
Newfane Middle School	07/01/19-09/30/19	\$ 9,859.86
Newfane High School	07/01/19-09/30/19	<u>\$ 57,965.06</u>
	Total	\$ 74,123.17

RESOLVE, that the Board of Education, upon reviewing the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education will arrange for the appropriate special education programs and services to be provided for meetings held as listed in Enclosure 2019.12.17.8E.

Classification and placement of students
Encl. 2019.12.17.8E

PERSONNEL ORDER OF BUSINESS

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Kelli Pines from her Typist position, effective December 31, 2019 at the close of business.

Resignation for the purpose of retirement,
K. Pines
Encl. 2019.12.17.9A

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Tammy Fitch who is appointed as Instructional Associate working 6 hours a day and Typist working 1hours a day; be reclassified to the Civil Service title of Typist/Instructional Associate per the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective September 1, 2019, per enclosure 2019.12.17.9B.

Reclassification of a position,
Typist/Instructional Associate, T. Fitch
Encl. 2019.12.17.9B

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Rick Recckio II, be and is approved to serve an unpaid district administrative internship, effective December 18, 2019 for a total of 30 hours, serving under the direct supervision of Bart Schuler, Business Administrator, in affiliation with Niagara University.

Administrative Intern,
R. Recckio
Encl. 2019.12.17.9C

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following individuals, be and are approved as unpaid assistants for the 2019-20 school year in the sport noted, with the understanding that unpaid assistants are to work under the direct supervision of the Head Coach and that at no time are they to supervise students unattended.

Unpaid volunteer coaching assistant,
T. Gill
Encl. 2019.12.17.9D

NAME – SPORT

Terry Gill - Wrestling

RESOLVE, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Vanessa Collura, part time Art Teacher and District Substitute, effective December 10, 2019, at the close of business.

Resignation of a part time teacher, V. Collura
Encl. 2019.12.17.9E

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Jacob Platt be and is appointed as a Fitness Room Supervisor effective December 18, 2019.

Fitness room supervisor,
J. Platt
Encl. 2019.12.17.9F

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Ryan Johnson be appointed for the 2019-2020 school year as a Mentor for the Newfane Circuit Stompers Robotics Team.

Newfane Robotics Club
Mentor, R. Johnson
Encl. 2019.12.17.9G

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Kristina Marinaccio, be and is approved as an unpaid student, participating in field work, at the High School, in affiliation with the Teaching Profession Course through Erie Community College for the 2019-2020 school year, under the supervision of Special Education Teacher Renee Luck.

Student field placement,
K. Marinaccio
Encl. 2019.12.17.9H

RESOLVE, that approximately five (5) of the Newfane Varsity Wrestling Team be and is authorized to travel and participate in the Haines Memorial Wrestling Tournament in Fulton, New York, December 26-28, 2019 according to the following conditions:

RESOLVE, all students will travel with and be chaperoned by coaches.

RESOLVE, that prior to the scheduled trip, the coach will provide to the High School Principal a full and complete itinerary, player list, chaperone list, and related details.

RESOLVE, that a field trip request form be completed and the standard release forms be executed for each player and coach in attendance and that same be delivered to the Principal prior to departure.

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the expenses as outlined in Enclosure 2019.12.17.10A.

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following budget transfer be approved:

From budget code

A2110-130-15 teacher salary, curriculum \$147,950.00

To budget code

A2110-120-40 teacher salary, elementary \$35,975.00

A2110-120-60 teacher salary, middle, 4-5 \$20,250.00

A2110-130-60 teacher salary, middle, 7-8 \$13,600.00

A2110-130-70 teacher salary, high \$38,025.00

A2250-150-40 teacher salary, special ed. elementary \$12,450.00

A2250-150-60 teacher salary, special ed. middle \$5,450.00

A2250-150-70 teacher salary, special ed. high \$11,750.00

A2610-150-60 teacher salary, library middle \$1,125.00

A2610-150-70 teacher salary, library high \$1,125.00

A2810-150-60 teacher salary, guidance middle \$2,200.00

A2810-150-70 teacher salary, guidance high \$2,250.00

A2820-150-40 teacher salary, psychologist elementary \$1,550.00

A2830-150-40 teacher salary, speech elementary \$2,200.00

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the attached proposal from Stohl Environmental for the 2020 Lead Testing of School Drinking Water, at a cost of \$12,238, be and is approved.

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the items listed in Enclosure 2019.12.17.10D and appended to this resolution be and are declared excess property, and;

FURTHER RESOLVE, that the Superintendent of Schools, or his designee, be and is authorized to dispose said items.

**NEW ORDER OF
BUSINESS**

Haines Invitational
Wrestling Tournament
Encl. 2019.12.17.10A

Budget transfer,
personnel
Encl. 2019.12.17.10B

Proposal, Lead Testing
Encl. 2019.12.17.10C

Excess Property
Encl. 2019.12.17.10E

RESOLVE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the 403(b) Retirement Plan – Basic Plan Document and the 403(b) Retirement Plan—Adoption Agreement, as prepared by US Omni and contained herein, be approved and that the Superintendent of Schools be and is authorized to sign the Adoption Agreement.

Amendment – 403(b)
Plan Document for
Hardship Amendment
Encl. 2019.12.17.10F

**CONCLUDING ORDERS
OF BUSINESS**

There were no remarks or comments at this time.

Public remarks or
comments

This time was used for trustees to share information without action. A discussion on the Musical took place, appropriateness for all ages. Opinions on what the High School Musical should offer and to whom were shared. It was requested that a waiver for younger participants be collected.

Anything for the “good
of the order”

December 17, 2019

Presentations for Next
Meeting

- No Presentations Scheduled

Motion made by Trustee Oudette and seconded by Trustee Lingle
MOVED, that the Board of Education enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing a Stage III Grievance with the CSEA.

Executive Session

Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO
Meeting recessed at: 8:29 pm reconvened at: 8:52 pm

Motion made by Trustee Lingle and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski
MOVED, that the Board of Education grant James Schmitt, President of the Board, the authority to deny the Stage III Grievance of the Newfane CSEA regarding a particular position; and,
FURTHER MOVED, that the Board of Education directs President Schmitt to send a response to the Newfane CSEA.

Authorized President
Schmitt to respond to a
Stage III Grievance

Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Lingle
MOVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT
Respectfully submitted,

Resolution Carried: 6 YES 0 NO
Meeting adjourned at: 8:56 pm

Bernadette Seymour
District Clerk