



**Newfane Central School District
Board of Education**

NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 7, 2021

The December 7, 2021 meeting of the Newfane Board of Education was held in the Middle School Auditorium. The meeting was called to order by Board President Lingle at 7:00 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

A. Kennedy, M. Lingle, J. Schmitt, M. Stefanoski, S. Tomasine
A. Casinelli, E. Oudette
M. Baumann, G. Noon, K. Crombie, A. Chaffee, P. Young, J. Fries

**TRUSTEES PRESENT
TRUSTEES EXCUSED
OTHERS PRESENT**

The District Mission Statement was read by Trustee Tomasine.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
and
DISTRICT MISSION
STATEMENT**

Motion made by Trustee Kennedy and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for December 7, 2021 be approved as amended.

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

Resolution Carried: 5 YES 0 NO

There were no comments at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATE:

Principal Crombie and Dean of Students Chaffee highlighted what is happening in the Middle School. They outlined the intervention programs that are skill based and individualized, the new course options of Creative Writing and Reading Exploration were also discussed and available at the fifth-grade level. Newfane Middle School participated in the global event, Hour of Code, which was very exciting for the students.

Audrey Schuler, 7th grade student and Nicholas Kiser, Technology Instructional Coach did a quick lesson on coding and then did a drone presentation. Great job.

STIMULUS FUNDS SPENDING PLAN:

Superintendent Baumann outlined the Federal and State Pandemic Stimulus Funds that the district received. The application process and also the allocation was discussed. We are looking at using these funds through the 2023-2024 school year in some cases.

PRESIDENT REPORT:

President Lingle stated appreciation for having students and families at the meeting, it was nice to see everyone, she said. Mrs. Lingle also appreciated the district participating in the Light Up Newfane, town parade. President Lingle would like clarification on the Parent/Teacher conferences at the Elementary School when it is available.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

COVID update: 13 students and 2 staff members tested positive this week. The county is holding steady but still high in numbers. We are still testing in house and Nurse Trank is doing a great job. We started with 21 unvaccinated staff, 8 of those have tested positive over the past few weeks.

A Niagara County COVID Clinic will be held at NECC again this week. There are over 500 people registered with the county to receive the vaccine at this clinic.

Visit to the buildings – scheduled for December 23, meet at the Elementary at 9 am to celebrate the season and the district.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Kennedy updated the board on the NOSBA Legislative Breakfast, she invited all to attend this event of January 29, 2022.

NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:

The NTA was represented by A. Traverse, there was no report at this time.

The following items were reviewed by the Board of Education

The Routine Order of Business was reviewed.

ROUTINE ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Meeting Minutes
- Classification and placement of students
- Monthly Treasurer’s Report
- Monthly Budget Transfers Report
- Monthly Capital Budget Status Report
- Monthly Warrants
- School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement
- Quarterly Student Activity Report

The Personnel Order of Business was reviewed.

PERSONNEL ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Resignation: School Nurse
- Unpaid Leave: Certified position
- Appointments: Long Term Substitute
 - Extracurricular Advisors – Musical
 - District Substitutes
 - Unpaid Volunteer Coaching Assistants
- Wage adjustment: Minimum Wage

The New Order of Business was reviewed.

NEW ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Area All State Music Conference
- Policy updates and changes
- SEQRA – Capital Outlay Project

**CONCLUDING ORDERS
OF BUSINESS**

Public comments

There were no comments at this time.

Anything for the “good
of the order”

This time was used for trustees to share information without action.

Presentations for the
next meeting

- Elementary Amplify pilot update
- Summer School student achievement follow-up

Trustee Schmitt left the meeting at 8:50 pm and returned at 8:56 pm

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Stefanoski

MOVED, that the Board of Education enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation and a CSEA Grievance.

Resolution Carried: 4 YES 0 NO

Recessed at: 8:52 pm Reconvened at: 9:22 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Tomasine

MOVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Resolution Carried: 5 YES 0 NO

Meeting adjourned at: 9:27 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Seymour
District Clerk