



**Newfane Central School District  
Board of Education**

**NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**

**June 20, 2023**

The June 20, 2023 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 Tomasine at 7:05 pm.

**CALL TO ORDER**

A. Casinelli, R. Dunn, N. Everett, A. Kennedy, M. Lingle, J. Schmitt, S. Tomasine  
M. Baumann, D. Hawkins, K. Crombie, D. Bedette, P. Young, J. Yaple, D. Zapp, T. Kam, C. McGuire, E. Conlon, K. Chatt, Adams Family, Hanney Family

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**

**ADMINISTRATION  
PRESENT  
OTHERS PRESENT  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
and  
DISTRICT MISSION  
STATEMENT**

The District Mission Statement was read by Trustee Schmitt.

Motion made by Trustee Kennedy and seconded by Trustee Dunn  
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for June 20, 2023 be approved.  
Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

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

C. Murray President of the PTSA shared with the Board of Education on what the PTSA has been able to help with at the High, Middle Elementary school recently. The PTSA handed out pizza and ice cream as a treat and awarded a scholarship to a graduating student at the High School. At the Middle school the PTSA handed out ice cream as a treat and helped with moving up day. At the Elementary school PTSA helped with the dance and also handed out ice cream.

**PUBLIC REMARKS OR  
COMMENTS**

She Thanked M. Baumann for all he has done and how much it has been appreciated, they will miss him and to enjoy his retirement. C. Murray also extended her thank you to Trustee Kennedy on her phenomenal support throughout the years to the PTSA and to enjoy her retirement.

**PRESIDENT REPORT:**

**REPORTS**

There was no President report at this time.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Superintendent M. Baumann introduced D. Hawkins, Elementary School Principal to present two students from the Elementary school with the Triple C Award. The Triple C Award is a program that recognizes the courage, character, and commitment of New York State's outstanding students.

Teachers E. Conlon and K. Chatt introduced the first student to receive the award R. Hanney. Both teachers spoke that she is a pleasure to have in class, a very hard worker and persistent in her learning. H. Adams was the second student the teachers introduced and spoke that she is very intelligent, hardworking, creative, polite and kind to her peers.

Mr. Baumann reminded the Board of Education high school graduation was going to be outside Saturday June 24, 2023 on Panther Field. He also shared with the Board of Education that thank you letters went out to the sponsors of the pickleball tournament. Three students will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship each at graduation from the pickleball scholarship fundraiser.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

There were no reports at this time.

**NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:**

NTA was represented by N. Kurial she thanked both Superintendent M. Baumann and Trustee Kennedy for their years of support.

The Routine Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes.

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Casinelli RESOLVED, that the minutes of the May 16, 2023, May 22,2023 and June 6, 2023 meetings of the Board of Education be and are approved.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

**ROUTINE ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Approved meeting minutes  
Encl. 2023.6.20.8A

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Casinelli RESOLVED, 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 2023.6.20.8B.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved the classification and placement of students  
Encl. 2023.6.20.8B

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Casinelli RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Capital Budget Status Report for the periods of July 1, 2020 to May 31, 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted and filed the Capital Budget Status Report  
Encl. 2023.6.20.8C

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Casinelli RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the following Warrant Reports for the period of May 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted and filed the Monthly Warrants  
Encl. 2023.6.20.8D

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Casinelli RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Monthly Budget Transfers Report for the period of May 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved Monthly Budget Transfers Report  
Encl. 2023.6.20.8E

The Personnel Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes. Except Resolution 9B and 9F.

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Connie Heselberger, from her Typist position, effective August 4, 2023 at the close of business.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

**PERSONNEL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Accepted the resignation for the purpose of retirement, C. Heselberger Typist Encl. 2023.6.20.9A

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Carrie McGuire, residing in Ransomville, New York, having NYS Permanent Certification in Prekindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1 - 6, be and is appointed as a 1.0 FTE Elementary Teacher, in the Elementary tenure area, at step 4, Masters, effective August 30, 2023, with a four-year probationary period of August 30, 2023 through August 29, 2027.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed C. McGuire, Elementary Teacher Encl. 2023.6.20.9B

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Jacob Oddy, residing in Youngstown, New York, having Initial Certification in Mathematics 7-12, Mathematics 5-9 and Physics 7-12, be and is appointed as a 1.0 FTE Mathematics Teacher, in the Mathematics tenure area, at step 3, Masters, effective August 30, 2023, with a four-year probationary period of August 30, 2023 through August 29, 2027.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed J. Oddy, Mathematics Teacher Encl. 2023.6.20.9C

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Andrew Levinton, residing in Little York, New York, having Professional Certification in Mathematics 7-12, be and is appointed as a 1.0 FTE Mathematics Teacher, in the Mathematics tenure area, at step 5, Masters, effective August 30, 2023, with a three-year probationary period of August 30, 2023 through August 29, 2026.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed A. Levinton, Mathematics Teacher Encl. 2023.6.20.9D

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Claudia Hovey, residing in Buffalo, New York, having Initial Certification in Music, be and is appointed as a 1.0 FTE Music Teacher, in the Music tenure area, at step 4, Bachelor's, effective July 1, 2023, with a four-year probationary period of August 31, 2022 through August 30, 2026.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed C. Hovey, Music Teacher Encl. 2023.6.20.9E

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Kennedy  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Melissa Pestinger, residing in Lockport, New York, having NYS Initial  
Certification in Music, be and is appointed as a 1.0 FTE Music Teacher, in the  
Music tenure area, at step 1, Masters, effective August 30, 2023, with a four-  
year probationary period of August 30, 2023 through August 29, 2027.

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Appointed M. Pestinger,  
Elementary Music  
Teacher  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9F

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Nicole Kelly, residing in Buffalo, New York, having NYS Initial Certification in  
Music , be and is appointed as a 0.6 FTE Music Teacher, at step 2, Masters,  
prorated, August 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Appointed N. Kelly,  
Elementary Music  
Teacher  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9G

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation that the individuals listed be and are  
approved to work as summer school in the positions for the as noted in  
enclosure 2023.6.20.9H

Approved summer school  
program employees  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9H

Summer Program Head Teacher

Burgess, Stephanie

Elementary

Albee, Rielly  
Chatt, Kim  
Connolly, Lee  
DiNardo, Kathryn  
Gardner, Margaret  
Horning, Brooke  
Krupski, Holly  
Luck, Renee  
Maybach, Gabby  
Neuberger ( Lewis), Heather  
Ortiz, Sara  
Stickney, Jennifer  
Traverse, Madalyn  
Ulrich, Kelly  
Vanderwerf, Robert

Middle School

Balcom, Justin  
Hill, Connor  
Long, Jillian  
Mercer, Jamie  
Puinno, Dani  
Stedman, Katy  
Sheldon, Molly

High School

Aloisio, Karen  
Bitner, Eric  
Jaruszawicus, Alexandra  
Kelly, Tammy  
Kurial, Nadine

Instructional Associate

Bassler, Jennifer  
Grimes, Bobbie Jo  
Kaszuba, Maureen  
Kline, Amy  
Maybach, Kelly  
Rehwaldt, Rebecca

Nurse

Winans, Donna

Typist

Havens, Dina  
Gibson, Donnell

Guidance Counselor

Wolf, Robyn  
Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
the following individuals be and are appointed for the 2023-2024 school year  
as Summer Youth Recreational Leaders.

Approved summer Youth  
Recreational Leaders  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9I

Michael Capen  
Gabrielle Maybach  
Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation that the individuals listed be and are  
approved to work as Summer Recreational Camp Counselors as noted in  
enclosure 2023.6.20.9J

Approved summer  
recreation program,  
Camp Counselors  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9J

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
the following people be and are appointed as summer seasonal laborers for  
the summer of 2023 at the rate of \$16.00/hr. to work July 3, 2023 to August  
25, 2023:

Approved Summer  
Laborers  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9K

Emily Eschborn  
Skylar Poss

Macy Van Horn  
Simon Lingle  
Maxwell Watkins  
Meadow Steele  
Aidan Seefeldt  
Autumn Windham  
Pamela Kelkenberg  
Melanie Nagel

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Alexander Scalzo, residing in North Tonawanda, New York, be appointed as a  
School Psychologist Intern effective August 30, 2023 through June 21, 2024,  
placed with Dr. Elizabeth Botzer, to be fully funded through the Federal ARP  
611 IDEA and IDEA 611 grants.

Appointed A. Scalzo, paid  
School Psychology Intern  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9L

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Nicole Enderton, residing in Newfane, New York, be and is appointed as  
Internal Claims Auditor at the rate of \$18.25 per hour for the period of July 1,  
2023 through June 30, 2024.

Appointed N. Enderton,  
Internal Claims Auditor  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9M

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools be and is authorized to enter  
into contractual agreements effective July 1, 2023, as presented, with the  
following non-bargaining unit personnel:

Approved non –  
bargaining unit contracts  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9N

NAME	POSITION
Jeffrey Anstett	Coordinator of Technology
Shannon Emborsky	Secretary to the Superintendent
Joanne Huntington	Director of Food Services
Kevin Klumpp	District Treasurer/Coordinator of Business Operations
Bernadette Seymour	Administrative Assistant/Aquatics Center Director

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Nancy Phillips and Kathy Dudley be appointed as lifeguards in the district for  
the 2023-2024 school year, at a rate of \$20/hr. and shall receive district  
Health Insurance benefits at a 3% cost to the employee.

Appointed N. Phillips and  
K. Dudley, Chief  
Lifeguards  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9O

Resolution Carried:           7 YES           0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Richele Carmer, currently a 10- month Typist in the Newfane Central School  
District, be and is appointed to a 12 - month Typist position at Central  
Services, effective July 1, 2023, according to the terms and conditions of the  
CSEA collective bargaining agreement.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed R. Carmer,  
Typist/Clerical I  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9P

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Jillian Long having been appointed on August 6, 2019, and having served a  
satisfactory probationary period from August 28, 2019 through August 27,  
2023, be and is appointed to tenure in the English tenure area, effective  
August 28, 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed J. Long to  
tenure  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9Q

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Tyler Gugliuzza, having been appointed on September 3, 2019, and having  
served a satisfactory probationary period from August 28, 2019 through  
August 27, 2023, be and is appointed to tenure in the Special Education  
tenure area, effective August 28, 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed T. Gugliuzza  
to tenure  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9R

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Joshua Yapple, having been appointed on August 6, 2019 and having served a  
satisfactory probationary period from August 28, 2019 through August 27,  
2023, be and is appointed to tenure in the Physical Education tenure area,  
effective August 28, 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed J. Yapple to  
tenure  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9S

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Lingle  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
Virginia Niver, having been appointed on August 18, 2020, and having served  
a satisfactory probationary period of August 28 2019, through August 27,  
2023, with a full year of credit given for working as a LTS during the 2019 -  
2020 school year, be and is appointed to tenure in the Elementary Education  
tenure area, effective August 28, 2023.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed V. Niver to  
tenure  
Encl. 2023.6.20.9T

The New Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed  
separately in the minutes.

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Kennedy  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept and file the results of the  
Newfane Central School District's Annual Budget Vote and Board Election  
held on May 16, 2022, as listed below:

**NEW ORDER OF  
BUSINESS**  
Approved the 2023-2024  
Budget Vote and Election  
result  
Encl. 2023.6.20.10A

**PROPOSITION NUMBER 1 2023-2024 BUDGET**

Shall the budget of the Newfane Central School District (the “District”),  
Niagara  
County, New York, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023 and ending  
June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$39,792,133, as presented by the Board of  
Education, is hereby  
approved and adopted and the required funds therefore shall be hereby  
appropriated  
and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the  
taxable  
property in said District to be levied and collected as required by law.

TOTAL	
YES	406
NO	207

**PROPOSITION NUMBER 2 ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW CAPITAL IMPORVEMENTS RESERVE FUND, 2023**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Newfane  
Central School District, Niagara County, New York (the “District”) is hereby  
authorized to establish a capital improvements reserve fund pursuant to  
Section 3651 of the Education Law of the State of New York (the “Fund”);  
that the Fund shall be known as the “Capital Improvements Reserve Fund,  
2023” of the District; that the Fund shall be established for the purpose of  
financing, in whole or in part, the acquisition, construction, reconstruction,  
expansion, renovation, alteration and  
improvement of buildings, facilities, sites and real property by the District, or  
the District’s share of the cost of any capital improvements project  
undertaken by a Board of Cooperative Educational Services (“BOCES”) of  
which the District is (or may become) a component district, including, in all  
cases, the acquisition of necessary furnishings, equipment, machinery and  
apparatus; that the ultimate amount of the Fund shall be not greater than  
\$5,000,000 (plus interest earned thereon); that the probable term of the  
Fund shall be not longer than ten (10) years; and that the permissible  
sources from which the Board is authorized to appropriate  
monies to the Fund from time to time shall be (A) budgetary appropriations  
of the District; (B) unappropriated fund balance of the District; (C) State aid  
received as reimbursement for expenditures by the District in connection  
with District capital improvements (whether or not such improvements were  
financed in whole or in part from the Fund); (D) proceeds from the sale of  
unneeded real or personal property owned by the District; (E) one or more  
other reserve funds of the District; and/or (F) such other sources as the  
Board or the voters of the District may direct from time to time, all as may  
be permitted by law.

TOTAL	
YES	423
NO	187



BOARD ELECTION – Two, for a 3year term

CANDIDATE	TOTAL
Santo Tomasine	<b>339</b>
Melinda Bower	<b>280</b>
Emma Oudette	251
Cameron Seib	267

BOARD ELECTION – WRITE-IN VOTES

Write ins did not affect the outcome of the vote and are attached to this resolution.

Resolution Carried:            7 YES            0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Kennedy  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education establishes Tuesday, July 11, 2023,  
as the date for the Annual Reorganization Meeting to be held in Room 129  
at the Newfane Early Childhood Center at 7 p.m.

Approved set annual  
reorganizational meeting  
date  
Encl. 2023.6.20.10B

Resolution Carried:            7 YES            0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Kennedy  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,  
that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to enter into a  
contract with Hanna Paper Recycling Inc., for the purpose of recycling and  
shredding, effective July 1, 2023.

Approved district  
shredding with Hanna  
Paper Recycling Inc.  
Encl. 2023.6.20.10C

Resolution Carried:            7 YES            0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Kennedy  
RESOLVED, that Ben Dickinson Newfane Track and Field student athlete and  
Coaches be and is authorized to travel and participate in the NYSPHSAA Track  
and Field Championship at Middletown High School in Middletown , New  
York, from June 9, 2023 through June 10, 2023

Approved NYSPHSAA  
Track and Field State  
Championship  
Encl. 2023.6.20.10D

and;

RESOLVE, that student athlete 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 2023.6.20.10D.

Resolution Carried:            7 YES            0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Schmitt and seconded by Trustee Kennedy  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that  
the item listed in Enclosure 2023.6.20.10C and appended to this resolution be  
and is declared excess property, and;

Declared excess property  
Encl. 2023.6.20.10E

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

Resolution Carried:            7 YES            0 NO

There were no comments at this time.

**CONCLUDING ORDERS  
OF BUSINESS**

Public remarks or  
comments

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

Anything for the “good of  
the order”

- There are no presentations for the next meeting.

**PRESENTATIONS FOR  
THE NEXT MEETING**

Motion made by Trustee Dunn and seconded by Trustee Schmitt  
MOVED, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss the  
Superintendent evaluation and specific personnel matter.

Executive Session

Resolution Carried:       7 YES       0 NO  
Meeting recessed at:     7:34 pm     reconvened at:   9:23 pm

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

**ADJOURNMENT**  
Respectfully submitted,

Resolution Carried:       7 YES       0 NO  
Meeting adjourned at:    9:23 pm

Crystal Frank  
District Clerk