

**Hoosick Falls Central School
Board of Education Regular Meeting 6:30 PM
Meeting held via-livestream**

Thursday, February 17, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:31 PM

Board Members present

Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire and Bridget Foster. Also present were Patrick Dailey, Superintendent of Schools, Emily Sanders, School Business Administrator and Kate Patire, District Clerk.

1. OPENING OF MEETING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Emergency Exit Review
- 1.3 Attendance

2. BOARD PRESENTATIONS

2.1 HFTA - Katie Brownell

- Parents as Reading Partners (PARP) will kick off in Elementary tomorrow. We are reading to raise donations for the Ronald McDonald House
- *Project Cameron's Story* - fundraiser ended last week, raised money for new book donations
- Mini golf course in Elementary gym for PE classes
- Mrs. Manning's class promoted Valentines for the Hoosick Falls Health Center, together the Elementary collected 430 cards to deliver to them
- Mrs. Brownell's class did a Historical "lockbox" activity, document enclosed, they saw a preserved document from 1800
- Ms. Funck played her ukulele for 4th grade students

3. BOARD FORUM / DISCUSSION

3.1 Board Member Comments

Rachel Boisvert:

-I missed the last meeting and I just wanted to say that the school and community will miss Mrs. Harrison, the skill set she brings to the math department and she does it with such grace; Congratulations on your retirement.

4. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4.1 Comments from Board President

Joe Patire:

- Congrats to bowling team on sectionals, we would have loved to see them to go on to states. They did a great job.
- Next week is winter break, I hope you all enjoy your time off and stay safe
- State released graduation rates article, Mr. Dailey will be speaking on that during this meeting

5. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

5.1 Public Comments on Agenda Items Only (NO executive session topics and may be limited to 3 minutes.)

Started @ 6:48 PM

- None

Ended @ 6:49 PM

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 January 20, 2022 Regular Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of January 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Motion by Jackie Houghton, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.1 Comments from Superintendent

- I feel lucky for all the things happening, we have great kids and staff. I know there are tough things happening all around but we are fortunate.
- Bowling - 8th league title for Class C title - team highest score, kids did amazing
- Wrestling did well this year, numbers are up in the youth wrestling program
- Cheer team placed this past weekend - 1st time competitive
- This Tuesday, basketball game @ home
- Spring sports will be starting up

- Regarding the graduation rates article that was released. Our rate did drop this past June, it was 78%. It was based on the "2016 cohort" those students made up our 2021 graduates. In this group of 61 graduates, included were four (4) GED and two (2) IEP diplomas – which the state does not recognize. There were 98 students overall in this cohort, 37 students that had come and gone between their 9th-12th grade years. We knew this group was coming though and we would have a drop. As of right now we are on track for 90% graduation rate.

- Mr. Dailey explained he is the co-chair of water group in Hoosick Falls, focusing on the following things:

1. Water
2. House value
3. Medical monitoring

- Erin Bell: *MultiSite Health Study*, spoke about what we do not know scientifically from PFAS. They are looking for participants for a federal study, to conduct long term monitoring. They will be located @ 140 Main Street in HF. Some examples would be collecting blood, urine samples and conducting Neuro development studies with children. You can earn a \$50.00 gift card for participating. Consent on medical records and parental consent if children participating.

John Helft had the following questions for Erin:

What about private wells? What about prior residents who have moved away? What are the hours of clinic? Who owns data & distribution? Why year 2005 and not prior?

Erin Bell: if you lived in Hoosick between the years of 2005-2016,

our hours are flexible, call in and schedule and we will try our best to accommodate

There is one exclusion - your occupation. If you worked at St. Cobain or if you are a firefighter.

Our goal is 1,300 participants for HF & Newburgh by end of September 2022

Data wise - Individual assigned id # vs. name to be confidential, analytic data with CDC & research scientist who funded this study. There is a court order to protect information.

2005 was chosen b/c of records of water, info most comprehensible to that timeframe for this study

Website: www.albany.edu/sph/pfas

Emily Marpe: Thank you Erin for coming and sharing, this study information will be valuable.

Joe Patire: Do you need to have to show PFO in bloodwork?

Erin Bell: No, anyone meeting criteria can participate, would like to have the variations.

Mr Dailey: We do have two (2) students to join the water group : Kai Jones & Peter Steller

Unified Sports – sports for kids that normally don't participate. Unified basketball would be kick starting the program at HFCS.

8. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

8.1 Comments from School Business Administrator

Emily Sanders:

We are still waiting on some numbers due out April 1st

Reviewed following slides:

- BOCES Services
- Athletics
- Technology - smartboard upgrades
- Buildings & Grounds – working on fuel oil estimates, looking to purchase new mower
- Transportation
- Debt Service

9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

9.1 Administrator's Reports - None

10. NEW BOARD ACTIONS - LEAVES / RESIGNATIONS

Action: 10.1 Steven Calebrese - Resignation

A motion to accept the resignation from Steven Calebrese, science teacher, effective February 25, 2022.

Motion by John Helft, second by Andy Beaty.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11. NEW BOARD ACTIONS - APPOINTMENTS

11.1 Nicholas Houghton - Substitute

to approve the appointment of Nicholas Houghton as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher without a BA, at a rate of \$95.00 per day; as a substitute teacher aide, substitute teaching assistant, and a substitute school bus attendant per contracted substitute hourly rate, effective February 15, 2022, contingent on NYSED clearance.

Motion by Rachel Boisvert, second by Andy Beaty.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Abstain: Jackie Houghton

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11.2 Approval of Appointments by Consent Vote

The use of a consent agenda permits the Board of Education to make more effective use of its time by adopting a single motion to cover those relatively routine matters which are included. Any member of the Board who wishes to discuss a particular piece of business on the consent agenda may request that item to be transferred to the regular agenda for consideration and a separate vote. • A motion to approve by Consent Vote, items #11.3 through #11.9.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.3 Sean Yeung - Substitute

to approve the appointment of Sean Yeung as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher with a BA, at a rate of \$105.00 per day; as a substitute teacher aide, substitute teaching assistant, and a substitute school bus attendant per contracted substitute hourly rate, effective January 25, 2022, contingent on NYSED clearance.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.4 Yenifer Ramona Garcia - Substitute

to approve the appointment of Yenifer Ramona Garcia as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher with a BA, at a rate of \$105.00 per day; as a substitute teacher aide, substitute teaching assistant, and a substitute school bus attendant per contracted substitute hourly rate, effective January 28, 2022, contingent on NYSED clearance.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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11.5 Ryan LaPorte - Substitute

to approve the appointment of Ryan LaPorte as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher without a BA, at a rate of \$95.00 per day; as a substitute teacher aide, substitute teaching assistant, and a substitute school bus attendant per contracted substitute hourly rate, effective January 28, 2022, contingent on NYSED clearance.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.6 Extra-Curricular 2021-2022

Resolution: to approve the appointment of the following extra-curricular positions for the 2021-22 school year per the HFTA contract as follows:

Coaches:

Assistant Varsity Boys Lacrosse - Mark Hackett

Boys Lacrosse Volunteer Coach - Craig Mann

Unified Sports Coach - Lisa Ferrannini

Academic Tutorial Tutor:

Pam Fricke - Spanish substitute

Tutoring:

Adam Cabana - Medical and Discipline

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.7 Long-term Substitute Teacher - Yenifer Ramona Garcia

to approve the appointment of Yenifer Ramona Garcia as a long-term substitute teacher effective on or about March 16, 2022 through on or about May 31, 2022, at Step A with a rate of \$256.27 per day. (vice: T. Hanselman)

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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11.8 Long-term Substitute Teacher - Michael S. Foster

Resolution: to approve the appointment extension of Michael S. Foster as a long-term substitute teacher effective January 25, 2022 through June 24, 2022, at Step A with a rate of \$256.27 per day.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.9 Long-term Substitute Teacher - Kimberly Davidson

Resolution: to approve the appointment of Kimberly Davidson as a long-term substitute teacher effective on or about April 3, 2022 through June 24, 2022, at Step A with a rate of \$256.27 per day. (vice: A. Breese)

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12. NEW BOARD ACTIONS - MISCELLANEOUS

12.1 Approval of Miscellaneous Items by Consent Vote

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- A motion to approve by Consent Vote, items #12.2 through #12.8.

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.2 Claims Auditors Checklist

to accept the Claims Auditors Checklist as attached.

Warrant #	Fund	Check #
76	Federal	610
76	School Lunch	1753
76	General	18106 to 18115
77	General	18116 to 18216
77	Capital	226 to 234
77	Federal	611 to 614
77	School Lunch	1754 to 1760
80	Federal	615
80	School Lunch	1761
80	General	18217 to 18225
82	General	18226 to 18292
82	School Lunch	1762 to 1769
82	Federal	616 to 617
82	Capital	235 to 238
82	Misc Special Revenue	8

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.3 Treasurer's Reports

to approve the Treasurer's Reports for December 2021.

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.4 Budget Transfers

to accept the Budget Transfers for January as attached.

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.5 MOA - Support Staff

to accept the following MOA for the Support Staff Contract:

-Athletic Communications stipend

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.6 MOA– HFTA

to accept the following MOA for the Hoosick Falls Teachers' Association (HFTA) Contract:

- Unified Sports Coach

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.7 First Reading on Board Policies

to approve the first reading of the following policies:

2110 School Board Powers and Duties

2140 Board Member Removal from Office

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.8 Second Reading on Board Policies

to approve the second and final reading of the following policies:

0101 GENDER NEUTRAL SINGLE-OCCUPANCY BATHROOMS

1230 PUBLIC COMMENT AT BOARD MEETINGS

2342 AGENDA PREPARATION AND DISSEMINATION

8505 "CHARGING" SCHOOL MEALS AND PROHIBITION AGAINST SHAMING

Motion by John Helft, second by Rachel Boisvert.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13. CSE Recommendations

13.1 CSE Services Report

A motion to approve appropriate Special Education Programs and services to be provided to students with disabilities as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

Motion by Andy Beaty, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

14. COMMITTEES

14.1 Facilities Green: J Helft, Chair; A Beaty, J Patire

John Helft: Possible workshop day?

Pat Dailey: Nothing to cover at this time

14.2 Audit & Budget Committee: J Patire, Chair; A Beaty, R Boisvert

Joe Patire: Emily Sanders has covered the preliminary info

14.3 Policy Committee: J Houghton, Chair; E Marpe, B Foster

Jackie Houghton: First and second readings happened for policies on the agenda

15. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

None

16. 2nd PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

16.1 Public Comments on Agenda Items only. (NO executive session topics and may be limited to 3 minutes.)

Started @ 9:00 PM

- None

Ended 9:01 PM

17. BOARD FORUM

17.1 Comments from Board Members

None

18. Executive Session

18.1 Go into Executive Session @ 9:03 PM

To go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations. The Board authorizes Patrick Dailey to join.

Motion by Rachel Boisvert, second by Andy Beaty.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

18.2 Return to Regular Session

A motion to return to regular session @ 9:58 PM

Motion by John Helft, second by Andy Beaty.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

19. CLOSING OF MEETING

19.1 Subsequent Meeting Dates

- The Board of Education will hold its Regular Board Meeting on March 17, 2022 @ 6:30 PM.

19.2 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 9:58 PM.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: Andy Beaty, Rachel Boisvert, John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries