

**Hoosick Falls Central School
Board of Education Regular Meeting /Budget Vote/ Board of Education Election
Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

Board members present

John Helft (via-remote), 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.

Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM

1. OPENING OF MEETING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Emergency Exit Review
- 1.3 Attendance
 - Rachel Boisvert absent

2. BOARD PRESENTATIONS

-None

3. BOARD FORUM / DISCUSSION

- 3.1 Board Member Comments
 - None

4. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- 4.1 Comments from Board President
 - None

5. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

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

Started @ 6:40pm

-None

Ended @ 6:41pm

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 April 21, 2022 Regular Meeting

to approve the minutes of April 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

6.2 May 10, 2022 Budget Hearing Minutes

to approve the minutes of May 10, 2022 Budget Hearing Meeting

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.1 Comments from Superintendent

-Discussion of propositions - student board member, expanding the capital project, buses and general budget

-Thank you to art dept., tech dept., music dept., 4th grade, FFA, and Empty bowls for support today.

-Stop arm agreement with Rensselaer County - to put cameras on the buses for vehicles that pass stopped buses

8. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

8.1 Comments from School Business Administrator

-100% DOT inspection rate for 4/1/21-3/31/22

9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

9.1 Administrator's Reports

HFTA presentation – Andrea Bearor

-4th grade Reader Theatre & Colonial Day 5/24

-Kindergarten's random acts of Kindness

-Jessica Haynes took 1st in Senior Creed speaking at the NYS FFA convention this past weekend; 13 students attended.

10. NEW BOARD ACTIONS - LEAVES / RESIGNATIONS

10.1 Lindsay Nash - Leave of Absence

A motion to amend the paid leave of absence for Lindsay Nash, Elementary Teacher, to May 10, 2022 from on or about May 18, 2022 through June 24, 2022.

Motion by Jackie Houghton, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

10.2 Sarah Rukaj - Resignation

A motion to accept the resignation from Sarah Rukaj as a teacher aide, effective June 25, 2022.

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by John Helft.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

10.3 Ashley Sherman - Leave of Absence

A motion to approve the leave of absence for Ashley Sherman, Teacher Aide, on or about June 15, 2022 through June 24, 2022.

Motion by John Helft, second by Jackie Houghton.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11. NEW BOARD ACTIONS - APPOINTMENTS

11.1 Approval of Appointments

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 #11.2 through #11.8.

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.2 Martha von Schilgen - Substitute

to approve the appointment of Martha von Schilgen as a certified Substitute Teacher effective July 1, 2022 at a rate of \$140.00 per day.

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.3 Anthony Malikowski - Substitute

to approve the appointment of Anthony Malikowski as a certified Substitute Teacher effective July 1, 2022 at a rate of \$140.00 per day.

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.4 2022 Summer School Coordinator

to approve Jennifer McDonald as the 2021 Summer School Coordinator, effective July 6, 2021 to July 30, 2021 from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM and effective August 2, 2021 to August 13, 2021 from 7:30 AM to 11:00 AM, at the hourly rate of \$65.00 an hour.

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

1.5 Cindy Wagner- Food Service Helper

to amend the appointment of Cindy Wagner, food service helper at 3.5 hours a day effective April 11, 2022, to an effective date of April 14, 2022, at a rate of \$14.50 per hour.

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.6 Vikki Diamantopoulos - School Counselor

to approve the appointment of Vikki Diamantopoulos School Counselor, to a 4-year probationary appointment, effective June 25, 2022, at a Step B, with a salary of \$47,925. (Vice: J. Lebbeci)

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.7 Hillary Potter- Science Teacher

to approve the appointment of Hillary Potter, Teacher of Science, grades 9-12, effective July 1, 2022, at a Step Q salary. Ms. Potter has been cleared by NYSED. (Vice: T. Antolick).

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11.8 Theresa Dansin - Science Teacher

to approve the appointment of Theresa Dansin, Teacher of Science, grades 9-12, effective July 1, 2022, at a Step H salary. Ms. Dansin has been cleared by NYSED. (Vice: A. Malikowski).

Motion by Bridget Foster, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12. NEW BOARD ACTIONS - MISCELLANEOUS

12.1 Rensselaer County School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program Opt-In Agreement
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE OPT-IN AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RENSSELAER COUNTY SCHOOL BUS STOP ARM ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Hoosick Falls Central School District intends to participate in the County of Rensselaer School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program (hereinafter the "Program"); and
WHEREAS, the Program is authorized under New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law §1147-a; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS VTL §1174-a, in order to participate in the Program, the Hoosick Falls Central School District must enter into an agreement with the County; and

WHEREAS, the Hoosick Falls Central School District intends to execute the School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program Opt-In Agreement in the form approved by legal counsel, and enter into the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Hoosick Falls Central School District as follows:

1. The Board of Education hereby acknowledges and approves the Rensselaer County School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program Opt-In Agreement made between Rensselaer County, the Hoosick Falls Central School District, and BusPatrol America LLC, agrees to be bound by its terms, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or his designee to execute such agreement in the form approved by legal counsel.

2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by John Helft, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.2 Approval of Miscellaneous Items 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 #12.3 through #12.8.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.3 Claims Auditors Checklist

to accept the Claims Auditors Checklist as attached.

Warrant #	Fund	Check #
106	General	18560
109	Federal	633
109	School Lunch	1809
109	General	18561 to 18570
110	Capital	254 to 256
110	General	18571 to 18632
110	Misc Special Revenue	13 to 14
110	Federal	634 to 637
110	School Lunch	1810 to 1813
111	General	18633 to 18634
113	General	18635 to 18643
113	School Lunch	1814
113	Federal	638
114	Misc Special Revenue	15 to 16
114	Capital	257 to 259
114	Federal	639 to 645
114	School Lunch	1815 to 1823
114	General	18644 to 18729

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.4 Budget and Revenue Status Reports

to accept the April 2022 Budget status and Revenue status reports for all funds.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.5 Budget Transfers

to accept the Budget Transfers as attached.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.6 Second Reading on Board Policies

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

Policy 1405 COMPLAINTS ABOUT CERTAIN FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROGRAMS

Policy 2160 SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICER AND EMPLOYEE CODE OF ETHICS

Policy 2330 EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Policy 6680 INTERNAL AUDIT FUNCTION

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.7 Legal Counsel

to approve two (2) additional fiscal years extension, for Legal Counsel with William Ryan, Esq. of Tabner, Ryan & Kinery, LLP, Albany, NY the rate of \$145 per hour. The RFP was awarded at the June 20, 2019 BOE meeting.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

12.8 Excess Books

to approve to excess expired books per the attached list.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13. VOTING RESULTS

13.1 Proposition #1 General Fund Results

A motion to accept the voting results on Proposition #1 General Fund as follows:

Shall the Hoosick Falls Central School District be authorized to appropriate \$25,348,933 for the 2022-2023 school year, and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Education on April 21, 2022 be approved and the amount thereof be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district, after first deducting the monies available from state aid and other sources as provided by law? This includes funds to pick up children in the approved Child Safety Zone.

Yes Votes 284

No Votes 98

Proposition Passed Defeated

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13.2 Proposition #2 Bus Proposition Results

RESOLVED, that the Hoosick Falls Central School District is hereby authorized to purchase school buses at a maximum estimated cost of \$335,000 and that such amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said District shall be issued.

YES Votes 298

NO Votes 84

Proposition Passed Defeated

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13.3 Proposition #3 Capital Project Proposition Results

RESOLVED, that the Hoosick Falls Central School District is hereby authorized to change the scope of improvements to the school building, beyond that previously approved by the voters on March 13, 2019, while staying within the maximum estimated cost so approved of \$22,045,820, without the need to follow the cost allocations previously set forth for health, safety and welfare improvements (\$16,758,641) and instructional related improvements (\$5,286,879).

YES Votes 295

NO Votes 86

Proposition Passed Defeated

Motion by Jackie Houghton, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13.4 Proposition #4 Ex Officio Student Board Member Proposition Results

RESOLVED, that the Hoosick Falls Central School District is hereby authorized to allow a Hoosick Falls high school student to serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Hoosick Falls Central School District Board of Education subject to the requirements of the education law.

YES Votes 298

NO Votes 84

Proposition Passed Defeated

Motion by Jackie Houghton, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13.5 Board Election Results

A motion to accept the voting results for the three (3) vacant Board of Education seats for the following terms: July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025

Votes Received:

237 Jena Case

290 Joseph Patire

260 Brian Keegan

Motion by Jackie Houghton, second by Emily Marpe.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

13.6 Bus Bond Resolution

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$335,000 BONDS OF HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, RENSSELAER COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COST OF THE PURCHASE OF SCHOOL BUSES FOR SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, at the Annual District Meeting of the qualified voters of Hoosick Falls Central School District, Rensselaer County, New York, held on May 17, 2022, a proposition was duly adopted authorizing the Board of Education of said School District to purchase school buses, for a maximum estimated cost of \$335,000, and providing for a levy of a tax therefore to be collected in installments, with obligations of said School District to be issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for such purchase of school buses and the financing thereof; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength of the Board of Education of Hoosick Falls Central School District, Rensselaer County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The purchase of school buses for Hoosick Falls Central School District, Rensselaer County, New York, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, is hereby authorized at a maximum estimated cost of \$335,000.

Section 2. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost shall consist of the issuance of \$335,000 bonds of said School District, hereby authorized to be issued therefore pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law. Such bonds are to be payable from amounts which shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said School District, and the faith and credit of said Hoosick Falls Central School District, Rensselaer County, New York, are hereby pledged for the payment of said bonds and the

interest thereon.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is five years, pursuant to subdivision 29 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said President of the Board of Education, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the serial bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue serial bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of such School District. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the President of the Board of Education shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- a) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or
- b) The provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- c) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 7. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 8. This resolution, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary form in the official newspaper(s) of said School District for such purpose, together with a notice of the School District Clerk substantially in the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Roll Call Vote:

Mrs. Boisvert	ABSENT
Ms. Foster	AYE

Mr. Helft AYE
Ms. Houghton AYE
Mrs. Marpe AYE
Mr. Patire AYE

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Bridget Foster.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

14. COMMITTEES

14.1 Facilities Green: J Helft, Chair; B. Foster, J Patire

-CM coming up with final summer schedule

-Finalizing work with Architect

-Abatement is driving schedule

-Waiting on results of proposition #3

14.2 Audit Committee: J Patire, Chair; R Boisvert, J Houghton

-Nothing at this time

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

-Nothing at this time

15. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

16. CSE Recommendations

16.1 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 Emily Marpe, second by John Helft.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

17. 2nd PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

17.1 Public Comments (NO executive session topics and may be limited to 3 minutes.)

Open at 8:51pm

-none

Close at 8:52pm

18. BOARD FORUM

18.1 Comments from Board Members

None

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION

19.1 None

20. CLOSING OF MEETING

20.1 Subsequent Meeting Dates

- The Board of Education will hold its Regular Board Meeting on June 16, 2022 at 6:30 PM

20.2 Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn the meeting @ 8:53 PM.

Motion by Emily Marpe, second by Jackie Houghton.

Ayes: John Helft, Jackie Houghton, Emily Marpe, Joe Patire, Bridget Foster

Final Resolution: Motion Carries