

SCHALMONT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

Meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education  
Wednesday, May 17, 2023; 7:00 PM; MS LGI

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM

Members Present

Mr. Angelo Santabarbara, President  
Ms. Kate Kruk, Vice President  
Ms. Patricia Dowse  
Ms. Miranda Eldridge  
Mrs. Jean Hanson  
Mr. David Lawrence  
Mr. Kevin Thompson

Members Absent

None

Others Present

Dr. Thomas Reardon, Superintendent of Schools  
Mrs. Brenda Leitt, School Business Administrator  
Mr. Merrick Rash, Student Representative  
Mr. Nicholas Castiglione, Student Representative

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Kruk, that the agenda for the May 17, 2023 meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education be approved.

*Motion carried 7-0.*

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Mr. Rash and Mr. Castiglione reported the Prom was very successful and thanks everyone that helped. Sports teams have gone to championships and sectionals. Spirit week was last week. HS Scholarship/Awards ceremony will be Wednesday, May 31 at 6pm. Career Fair and CFM Presentations were held this month. HS Spring Concert is Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. High School students went to the Six Flags and a Yankee Game for field trips. The marching band will be in the Memorial Day parade. Many students attended the NYSSMA Solo Fest.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT and PRESENTATIONS

Project Lead the Way Presentation: Mrs. Stearns

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Ella McDonald, Aidan McTague (Harvest Square)

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Dan Beyer, Kierra Schager (Phillips Park)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – David Cafarelli, Conrad McGarry, William Schaffer (Activity Acres)

SmartSchools Bond Presentation: Dr. Reardon

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mrs. Hanson, that the consent agenda consisting of the following items be approved:

- Board of Education Meeting Minutes: April 17, 2023, April 19, 2023
- Financial Reports April 2023; Finance Report; HS/MS Extracurricular
- Personnel Matters
- Instructional Personnel Matters
  - Part Time Appointment
  - Name: Camryn Mesick
  - Position: Social Worker, Jefferson
  - FTE: 1.0 FTE
  - Effective: May 30, 2023 through June 30, 2023
  - Step: 1-MA

Retirement Resignation

Libby Biernat, Teaching Assistant, HS, effective June 30, 2023; 19 yrs. of service  
 Michael Burgner, Special Education, MS, effective June 30, 2023; 27 yrs. of service  
 Amy Carter, AIS, Jefferson, effective June 30, 2023; 23 yrs. of service  
 Margaret Symons, AIS ELA, MS, effective, June 30, 2023; 34 yrs. of service

Unpaid Leave of Absence

Kaila Jackson, Social Worker, Jefferson; September 6, 2023 through January 1, 2024

Substitute Teacher Appointments

BOCES Packet #14: Justina Aiken, Maria Koreman, Margaret Zokowski

• Noninstructional Personnel Matters (All hourly pay rates as per SSRPA Agreement)

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Work Day</u>	<u>Step</u>
Teresa Diehsner	Bus Attendant	Transportation	04/24/23	7:00am-9:00am	1
Eleanor Dodge	Cleaner	Jefferson	05/08/23	3:00pm-11:30pm	1
Timothy O'Brien	Cleaner	HS/MS	05/01/23	3:00pm-11:30pm	1

Resignation

<u>Resignation</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Brent Flouton Johnson	Cleaner	Jefferson	05/05/23 (close of business)

Unpaid Leave of Absence

Oswald Martucci, Bus Driver, Transportation; May 8 through May 12, 2023

Substitute Appointment

<u>Substitute Appointment</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Work Day</u>
Amanda DeLeon	Monitor	Jefferson	05/18/23	as needed
Brent Flouton Johnson	Cleaner	District Wide	05/18/23	as needed
Nicole Grandstaff	Teacher Aide	District Wide	05/18/23	as needed
Lindsay Trapasso	Monitor	Jefferson	05/18/23	as needed

Substitute Resignation

<u>Substitute Resignation</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Teresa Diehsner	Bus Attendant	Transportation	04/21/23 (close of business)
Eleanor Dodge	Cleaner	District Wide	05/05/23 (close of business)
Timothy O'Brien	Cleaner	District Wide	04/28/23 (close of business)

Change of Hours

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Old Daily Total</u>	<u>New Daily Total</u>
Theresa Bacchi	Bus Attendant	Transportation	04/24/23	4.50	4.25
Yvonne DeCocco	Bus Driver	Transportation	05/01/23	5.25	5.75
Kimberly Gemme	Bus Attendant	Transportation	04/24/23	3.75	3.00
Joseph Mastrianni	Bus Driver	Transportation	05/08/23	5.50	7.25
Theresa Rorick	Bus Driver	Transportation	05/08/23	6.00	7.00

Motion carried 7-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Budget Vote and Election Results:** Motion carried by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accept and certify the results of the 2023-24 Budget Vote and Election held May 16, 2023.

<u>Results:</u>	2023-2024 Budget	In favor: 349; Opposed: 67 (Passed by 84%)
	Bus Proposition – Purchase of (5) Buses	In favor: 343; Opposed: 72 (Passed by 83%)
	BOE Member Election: Kate Kruk	322 votes
	Kevin Thompson	336 votes

*Motion carried 7-0.*

**Poll Clerks and Inspectors:** Motion made by Ms. Kruk, seconded by Ms. Dowse, that the Board of Education approve the following individuals as inspectors and poll clerks for the Annual Budget Vote and Election held May 16, 2023.

<u>Inspectors</u>	<u>Poll Clerks</u>
Deborah Falcone, John O'Donnell	Felicia Amoroso, Courtney Frederick, Melissa Gemmett, Donna Woods

*Motion carried 7-0.*

**First Read/Board Policy:** Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Kruk, that the Board of Education approve the first read of the following School Board policy.

5710 School Safety and Educational Climate (SSEC) Reporting

*Motion carried 7-0.*

**Revised School Calendar 2023-24:** Motion made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mrs. Hanson, that the Board of Education approve the revised school calendar for the 2023-24 school year.

*Motion carried 7-0.*

**Tenure Recommendation:** Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that the Board of Education approve the following tenure appointment:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kylie Gibbs	School Counselor	04/29/2023

*Motion carried 7-0.*

**BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS**

- Mr. Thompson – Thank you Mrs. Stearns for bringing the students and their projects. Congratulations Mrs. Gibbs.
- Ms. Eldridge – Thanks to the voters and the art exhibit. There are amazing things happening in all schools. Proud to be a part of Schalmont.
- Ms. Dowse – Meghan Mulkerrin, a favorite! The Board trying to emphasize all grade levels; let us keep seeing more of all students’ activities. Prom was absolutely gorgeous. Thank you Jason McCord.
- Mr. Lawrence – Loves being part of a District that showcases students (ie PLTW, Art Show, MS Expo). Congratulations to Mrs. Gibbs. Thanks for sharing “restorative practices” with other Districts.
- Mrs. Hanson – Thank you Mrs. Stearns. Congratulations to retirees and Mrs. Gibbs.
- Ms. Kruk – Shout out to Jason McCord for Prom Walk photos. Congratulations to students going to Skills USA National Competition. Thank you to Ms. Stevens and community members who support students in this project. Thank you for voting.
- Mr. Santabarbara – PLTW, nice to see each year. Congratulations Mrs. Gibbs on tenure. Thanks to all teachers, year end items, best time. Prom was amazing. Thank you for the positive budget vote.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Eldridge, that the May 17, 2023 meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 7:45 PM.

*Motion carried 7-0.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Brenda Leitt  
Clerk of the Board



Rebecca Grabicki  
Director of Academic and Instructional Support Services, Ext. 4019

TO: Board of Education  
FROM: Genienne Bakuzonis, Program Assistant  
DATE: May 31, 2023  
RE: Agenda Items for June 5, 2023 Board Meeting:  
CSE/CPSE Meetings for BOE Approval

<b>Date of CSE/CPSE Meeting</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>
March 7, 2022 (SMS)	1
March 17, 2023 (JES)	1
March 21, 2023 (CPSE)	1
April 6, 2023 (SMS)	2
April 17, 2023 (SMS, SHS)	7
April 18, 2023 (SHS)	1
April 19, 2023 (SHS)	4
April 25, 2023 (CPSE)	3
April 26, 2023 (SHS)	2
April 27, 2023 (SMS, SHS)	8
April 28, 2023 (SMS, JES)	10
May 1, 2023 (JES)	1
May 2, 2023 (CPSE, JES)	5
May 4, 2023 (SMS, JES, SHS)	11
May 5, 2023 (SHS)	1
May 9, 2023 ( CPSE, JES, SHS)	11
May 10, 2023 (SHS)	5
May 11, 2023 (SMS)	1
May 12, 2023 (JES)	3
May 15, 2023 (SHS)	2
May 16, 2023 (OOD*)	4
May 19, 2023 (JES)	4
May 23, 2023 (CPSE)	1
May 31, 2023 (SMS)	1

\*Out of District Placement

SCHALMONT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Required  
 Local  
 Notice

**SCHOOL SAFETY AND EDUCATIONAL CLIMATE (SSEC) REPORTING**

The Board of Education is committed to promoting and maintaining the safety of all student, staff, and visitors to the schools. The Board is also committed to maintaining a school environment that is free from harassment, bullying and discrimination. Consistent with these commitments and in accordance with state law and regulation, the district will submit an annual report to the Commissioner of Education regarding violent and disruptive incidents and material incidents of harassment/bullying/discrimination as part of the New York State Education Department's School Safety and Educational Climate (SSEC) Summary Data Collection. In addition, the District will use this data to assess the safety and educational climate of its schools and will work to continuously improve the safety, and the well-being of its students, staff and community.

Reporting Requirement

The Superintendent is responsible for preparing on a regular basis a report of all the violent and disruptive incidents and material incidents of harassment, bullying and discrimination that have occurred on school grounds, at a school function, or at a school sponsored event and forwarding the report to the Superintendent of Schools. The Superintendent or designee is responsible for compiling the reports received into the annual report and submitting the report to the Commissioner. The summary report will contain all the information required by law, and will be filed with the Commissioner on or before a date set by the Commissioner. The Superintendent will make available the summary report to the Board.

The district is responsible for assuring that copies of each SSEC report, both individual and summary reports, are retained at the school until the youngest person involved in a reported incident is 27 years old. Individual incident report forms will not be kept in student cumulative folders nor sent to the next school or district that students attend, unless requested by the receiving District.

Confidentiality

Any violent or disruptive incident or harassment, bullying, and discrimination report prepared in accordance with the law will be available for inspection by the State Education Department upon request. All names and other personally identifiable information included in any report are confidential and must not be disclosed to any person for use by any person for purposes other than the reporting purposes in Education Law 2802, except as otherwise authorized by law.

Adoption date: