

SCHALMONT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education
Monday, December 11, 2023; 7:00 PM; MS LGI**

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - The meeting was called to order at 7:17 PM

Members Present

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

Members Absent

None

Others Present

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Eldridge, that the agenda for the December 11, 2023 meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education be approved.

Motion carried 6-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Mr. Castiglione and Mr. Larabee reported the High School freshman class is holding a Canvas & Cookies event this Friday, Dec. 15th from 6-8PM in the HS Cafeteria. Cost is \$20/person. The Music department holiday concerts have begun. The 7th & 8th grades concert was on Dec. 5, the 6th grade concert is tomorrow, Dec. 12th, 3rd grade concert is Dec. 14th, the HS concert is Dec. 18th and the 5th grade concert is Jan. 10th, 2024. Next Thursday, Dec. 21st the Wind Ensemble and Concert Choir will spread cheer at Jefferson Elementary School and Kingsway Retirement Home. The Class of 2024 is holding their annual Holiday Volleyball Tournament next Wednesday, Dec. 20th at 6PM. Admission is \$1.00/spectator. Holiday Spirit in the HS starts next week, Dec. 18-22. The Middle School once again came together to support those in the local community by donating 606 boxes of stuffing to the Concerned for the Hungry. Also, the MS National Junior Honor Society personally delivered 214 new toys to the Schenectady City Mission. The MS PIT Crew are working hard to organize events that will bring students and families together, both at school and in the community. Events will include a Bingo Night, Ice Cream Social, Rollarama Skating, and possibly a baseball game. Stay tuned for more details. The MS will also participate in their own Holiday Spirit Week, next week Dec. 18-22. Jefferson Elementary held their lunch with Santa and craft fair on Dec. 2nd and it was a huge success. The Varsity Basketball Team visited Mrs. Barner's 2nd grade class and read to the students. Students in Mrs. LeRoy, Miss Pink and Mrs. Romano's classes joined together and made holiday cards for a local nursing home.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Social Emotional Learning 2.0 - Mr. Gifford and Ms. Ryan, Jefferson Elementary

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: November 20, 2023
- ✓ CSE/CPSE Recommendations: Nov. 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 27, 28, 29, 30, 2023; Dec. 1, 4, 6, 8, 2023
- ✓ Personnel Matters

• **Instructional Personnel Matters**

Part-Time Appointment

Name: Mia Unverzagt
Position: Physical Education; HS
FTE: 1.0
Effective: January 17, 2024 through June 30, 2024
Step: 1-BA (as per STA Agreement)

Resignation

Heather O’Keefe, FACS Teacher, HS/MS, effective January 5, 2024

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

| <u>Appointment</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Effective</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Step</u> |
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| Carmen Echevarria | Cleaner | District Wide | 12/11/23 | 3:00pm-11:30pm | 1 |

| <u>Retirement Resignation</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Effective</u> | <u>Yrs. of Service</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Zelindo Viscusi | Bus Driver | Transportation | 12/22/23 | 26+ |

| <u>Substitute Appointment</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Effective</u> | <u>Hours</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Vittoria Costantini | Food Service Worker | District Wide | 12/11/23 | as needed |
| Teresa Kauffman-Iovino | Bus Attendant | Transportation | 12/11/23 | as needed |
| F. Michael Kruger | Bus Attendant | Transportation | 12/11/23 | as needed |
| Michael Rumbaugh | Safety Officer | District Wide | 01/29/24 | as needed |
| Zelindo Viscusi | Bus Driver | Transportation | 12/23/23 | as needed |
| Christine Yingling | Bus Attendant | Transportation | 12/11/23 | as needed |

Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Audit: Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Ms. Eldridge, that the Board of Education accept the annual audits for the 2022-23 school year as prepared by MMB Co.

Motion carried 6-0.

Corrective Action Plan: Motion made by Ms. Dowse, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that the Board of Education approve the corrective action plan for the 2022-23 External Audit.

Motion carried 6-0.

Corrective Action Plan: Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Ms. Eldridge, that the Board of Education approve the corrective action plan for the 2022-23 Extra Classroom Audit.

Motion carried 6-0.

First Read/Board Policies: Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Dowse, that the Board of Education approve the first read of the following School Board policies.

- 6700 Purchasing
- 8130.2 Workplace Violence Prevention
- 9260 Conditional Appointment and Emergency Conditional Appointment – Student Safety

Motion carried 6-0.

BOARD ITEMS

Mr. Santabarbara – Congratulations Mr. Viscusi. Twenty-six years is a long time. It’s concert season, have a safe and happy holiday.

Mr. Thompson – He’s a no nonsense guy. Ziggy Viscusi is a nice guy.

Ms. Dowse – Congratulations PTO and the Music Dept. Santa visit.

Ms. Eldridge – Thank you for tonight’s presentation.

Mrs. Hanson – Concert post card. Thanks for that.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that the December 11, 2023 meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Brenda Leitt
Clerk of the Board