

SCHALMONT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

Meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education Monday, June 9, 2025; 7:00 PM; Middle School LGI

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

Members Present

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

Members Absent

None

Others Present

Dr. Thomas Reardon, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Brenda Leitt, School Business Administrator
Miss Angelina Riccio, Student Representative

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Mau, that the agenda for the June 9, 2025 meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education be approved.

Motion carried 6-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Ms. Riccio reported at the High School, the unified basketball team won their sectional game a couple weeks ago. Signing day took place last week. Also last week we had the top 10% ceremony, and the Senior and Junior awards night. High School students volunteering with the Just Run Club enjoyed their time coaching the children until their track meet last Friday. At the Middle School, 5th graders visited Jefferson students to help them with their writing. At Jefferson Elementary, Service dogs came to Mrs. DiPiazza and Miss Pink's class to teach them about service dogs and how they can help. First graders collaborated with the High School Sculpture class, where the students created drawings that the high schoolers made into real sculptures for them. Guests, Patty Montone and Walter Schlegel, visited Miss Pink's class to talk about Memorial Day and the importance of Veterans. Ms. Edick and Mrs. DiCaprio's classes had a Colonial Day where the students dressed as if they were living in the 1700's.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Instructional Supports Spring Update – Mrs. Gonzalez

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

- ✓ Board of Education Meeting Minutes: May 12, 2025 and May 21, 2025
- ✓ CSE/CPSE Recommendations: April 24, May 5, 6, 7, 16, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 2025
- ✓ Personnel Matters

- **Administrative Personnel Matters**

Full-Time Probationary Appointments

Name: Kelsey Heck
Position: Assistant Principal/HS: 1.0 FTE
Tenure: Assistant Principal
Effective: July 1, 2025
Probation: 4 years; July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029
Step: per SAA Agreement

Name: Meghan Holdsworth
Position: Assistant Principal/MS; 1.0 FTE
Tenure: Assistant Principal
Effective: July 1, 2025
Probation: 4 years; July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029
Step: per SAA Agreement

Resignations

Julie Umar, Assistant Principal/CSE Chairperson, MS, effective June 30, 2025

Lisa Young, Assistant Principal/CSE Chairperson, Jefferson Elem., effective June 30, 2025

- **Instructional Personnel Matters**

Full-Time Appointment

Name: Jessica Casso
Position: Nurse/Woestina
FTE: 1.0 FTE
Effective: July 1, 2025
Step: 16 (per STA Agreement)

Full-Time Probationary Appointments

Name: Melanie Lawrence
Position: Earth Science/HS; 1.0 FTE
Tenure: Science
Effective: July 1, 2025
Effective: 3-years; July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028
Step: 9-MA (per STA Agreement)

Name: Olivia Santabarbara
Position: Elementary/Jefferson; 1.0 FTE
Tenure: Elementary
Effective: July 1, 2025
Effective: 4-years; January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2029
Step: 3-MA (per STA Agreement)

Name: Katharine Weiskotten
Position: Social Worker/HS; 1.0 FTE
Tenure: Social Worker
Effective: July 1, 2025
Effective: 4-years; July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029
Step: 10-MA (per STA Agreement)

Resignations

Meghan Davis, Grade 6, MS, effective June 30, 2025

Katie Mankuski, Kindergarten, Jefferson, effective June 30, 2025

Sara O'Brien, Social Worker, Jefferson, effective June 30, 2025

Laura Schrepper, School Counselor, MS, effective June 30, 2025

Brian Sheldon, Special Education, HS, effective June 30, 2025

Jessica Torsiello, Special Education, Jefferson, effective June 30, 2025

Summer Program Appointments (ESY/Jefferson)(salary as per STA Agreement)

(July 7, 2025 through August 15, 2025)

Laura Edick, Special Education Teacher	Bonnie Case, Floating Teaching Assistant
Courtney LaBarge, Special Education Teacher	Susan Bird, Substitute Teaching Assistant
Tracie Perone, Special Education Teacher	Alexis Knapp, Substitute Teaching Assistant
Michele Stevens, Special Education Teacher	Barbara Moratta, Substitute Teaching Assistant
Sarah Brassard, Teacher	Angela Uhl, Substitute Teaching Assistant
Kaila Jackson, Teacher	Marisa Caprara, Occupational Therapist
Natacha Cruz, Teaching Assistant	Debra McCloskey, Speech Therapist
Brandy Pedinotti, Teaching Assistant	Kathleen Sellnow, Physical Therapist
Susan Torres, Teaching Assistant	Micaela Williams, Social Worker
Jill Facticeau, Nurse	

Summer Program Appointment (BOCES/HS)(salary as per STA Agreement)

(July 8, 2025 through August 20, 2025)

Kimberly Brandt, Nurse

Summer Program Appointments (BOCES/HS)(salary as per Capital Region BOCES)

(July 8, 2025 through August 20, 2025)

Kate Choi, School Counselor	Bernadette Nichols, School Counselor
Sarah Curcio, School Counselor	Colleen Pacella, School Counselor
Stephanie D'Annibale, School Counselor	Kimberly Ramsundar, School Counselor
Anne-Marie Hughes, School Counselor	

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

<u>Appointments</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Step</u>
Jenn Knight	Typist	District Office	07/01/25	7.5 hrs/day	6
Kimberly Scholer	Custodian	Woestina	06/23/25	8.0 hrs/day	8

Part-Time Appointment

Lawrence Bennese, Athletic Trainer, District Wide, July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 (25 hrs/week), \$47,895

<u>Retirement Resignation</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>
Thomas Verrigni	Bus Driver	Transportation	06/30/25	32

<u>Resignations</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Michael Denny	Bus Driver	Transportation	06/30/25
Kimberly Scholer	Cleaner	HS/MS	06/22/25
Michael Townsend	Bus Driver	Transportation	06/30/25

<u>Substitute Appointments</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Work Day</u>
Amy Rogers	Bus Attendant	Transportation	06/09/25	as needed
Thomas Verrigni	Bus Driver	Transportation	07/01/25	as needed

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>
Oswald Martucci	Bus Driver	Transportation	04/22/25	4.75	5.00

Summer Program Appointments (ESY/Jefferson)(salary as per SSRPA Agreement)

(July 7, 2025 through August 15, 2025)

Lisa Higgins, Substitute Teacher Aide
 Rebecca Naumowicz, Teacher Aide
 Suzanne Pollard, Teacher Aide
 Sarah Schultz, Teacher Aide

Summer Program Appointments (BOCES/HS)(salary as per SSRPA Agreement)
(July 8, 2025 through August 20, 2025)
 John Mrazik, Security
 Christopher Teta, Security

Summer Program Appointment (BOCES/HS)(salary as per Capital Region BOCES)
(July 8, 2025 through August 20, 2025)
 Kim Spector, Administrative Assistant

Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Health and Welfare Contracts: Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that the Board of Education approve the following health and welfare contracts for the 2024-2025 school year:

<u>School District</u>	<u># of Pupils</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Albany City Schools	2	\$2,339.84
Guilderland CSD	3	\$2,737.74
Niskayuna CSD	1	\$1,002.81
Schenectady City SD	7	\$11,102.49
Scotia-Glenville CS	9	\$12,060.09
South Colonie CSD	10	\$9,495.60
Enlarged CSD of Troy	1	\$908.68

Motion carried 6-0.

District Wide Safety Plan Draft: Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Dowse, that the Board of Education approve the district’s District Wide Safety Plan Draft for the 2025-26 school year.

Motion carried 6-0.

BOARD ITEMS

Ms. Dowse - Thank you to Jason for show casing our community, and being such a phenomenal ambassador for us.
 Mr. Lawrence - Welcome to the new staff for joining our Schalmont family. Thank you Mrs. Russell for Unified Basketball.
 Mr. Santabarbara - We had a very difficult week last week with the tragedy of the student who passed. Thank you to the staff for helping the students, our hearts go out to the family. There will be an event this Saturday in honor of the student. The community really came together for Unified Basketball at the MVP Arena.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by Mr. Mau, seconded by Mrs. Hanson, that the June 9, 2025 meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

 Brenda Leitt
 Clerk of the Board