

SCHALMONT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

Meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education Tuesday, October 14, 2025; 7:00 PM; Woestina Elementary School Library

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.

Members Present

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

Members Absent

None

Others Present

Dr. Thomas Reardon, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Rachael France, Executive Treasurer
Miss Angelina Riccio, Student Representative
Miss Giavana Rossetti, Student Representative

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Mau, that the agenda for the October 14, 2025 meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education be approved.

Motion carried 7-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Miss Riccio and Miss Rossetti reported at the High School, today, Key Club hosted their annual American Red Cross Blood Drive. This past Saturday, students enjoyed their Homecoming Dance that Student Council put together. Science Honor Society volunteered at the Patroon Farm at the Regional Food Bank, they planted garlic that will be harvested next summer. SADD Club did their annual "Out of the Darkness Walk" where students walked the track as the sun rose representing the journey that those affected by depression take and their path from darkness to light. Seniors painted their parking spots at the end of September. At the Middle School, Family Book Club returns Thursday, October 23. It is open to students in grades 5th-8th and their families. The club will meet in the middle school library on Thursdays. At Jefferson Elementary, on October 8th, fire prevention day was at Jefferson, the South Schenectady Fire Department reminded the children about fire safety. On October 11th, 1st graders took a field trip to the Rotterdam Branch Library. They found books, then a comfortable place to read. Students also got their own library card to check out books.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

School Board Recognition – Dr. Reardon and Ms. Hanson

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: September 22, 2025
- ✓ CSE/CPSE Recommendation
- ✓ Personnel Matters

- **Instructional Personnel Matters**

Full-Time Probationary Appointments

Name: Rachael A. Slingerland
Position: Teaching Assistant Level I/HS; 1.0 FTE
Effective: October 10, 2025
Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant
Probation: 4-years; October 10, 2025 through October 9, 2029
Step: 4 (*per STA Agreement*)

Name: Amber Szady
 Position: Teaching Assistant Level I/HS; 1.0 FTE
 Effective: October 20, 2025
 Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant
 Probation: 4-years; October 20, 2025 through October 19, 2029
 Step: 2 (*per STA Agreement*)

2025-26 BOCES Substitute Teacher Appointments

Packet #4 –Christine Baumann, Margaret DeFalco, Rose Ann Hamm, Jules Monlea, Molly O’Keefe, Emily Quick, Melissa Roggio, Victoria Spadaro

2025-26 Winter Coaching Appointments (Stipend in accordance with STA Agreement)

Greg Loiacono, Varsity Boys Basketball, Step 8	Michael Williams, Boys Bowling, Step 5
Kenneth G. Dagostino Sr., Modified Boys Basketball, Step 8	Hugo McGroty, Girls Bowling, Step 8
Kenneth A. Dagostino Jr., Program Assist., Boys Basketball (shared)	Trisha Roth, Varsity Cheerleading, Step 4
Brennan Vendetti, Program Assistant, Boys Basketball (shared)	Olivia Santabarbara, JV Cheerleading, Step 1
Jeff VanHoesen, Varsity Girls Basketball, Step 8	Brian Croote, Varsity Indoor Track, Step 8
Joseph Keenan, JV Girls Basketball, Step 2	Kathleen Sellnow, Program Assistant, Indoor Track
Kaley Brindisi, Modified Girls Basketball, Step 5	Josh Cuomo, Varsity Wrestling, Step 8
Joelle Sweet, Program Assistant, Girls Basketball	Jason Beck, Modified Wrestling Coach, Step 8

• **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>
Danusa DeSouza	Cleaner	HS/MS	10/13/25	8 hrs/day*	1
Jayden DeVellis	Teacher Aide	Jefferson	10/15/25	7 hrs/day*	1
Adele Lovett	Teacher Aide	Jefferson	10/20/25	7 hrs/day*	4
Glenn Mosier	Safety Officer	HS/MS	10/27/25	8 hrs/day*	6
Sandra Mossa	Food Service Worker	Jefferson	09/25/25	10:30am-2pm	1
				(160 days)	
				(*excludes lunch)	

<u>Resignation</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Dinesh Lutchman	Cleaner	HS/MS	09/23/25

<u>Substitute Appointments</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Eric Geores	Food Service Worker	HS/MS	10/15/25	as needed
James Sheedy	Safety Officer	District Wide	10/15/25	as needed
Laurie Viscusi	Bus Attendant	Transportation	09/24/25	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>
Theresa Bacchi	Bus Attendant	Transportation	10/06/25	4.00	5.25
Vittoria Costantini	Bus Attendant	Transportation	10/06/25	3.75	4.50
Gene Koreman	Bus Driver	Transportation	09/29/25	5.00	5.25
Theresa Rorick	Bus Driver	Transportation	09/04/25	5.75	6.00
David Towns	Bus Driver	Transportation	09/04/25	4.00	4.25

Motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

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

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kaila Jackson	Social Worker	10/24/25

Motion carried 7-0.

Transportation Contract: Motion made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Mau, that the Board of Education approve the transportation contract between the Schalmont Central School District and Amazing Grace Transportation, to transport (1) student to Heatly School/Green Island UFSD from September 24, 2025 through October 23, 2025, at a rate of \$240/day.

Motion carried 7-0.

Shared Services Agreement: Motion made by Ms. Dowse, seconded by Mrs. Hanson, that the Board of Education approve the shared services agreement between Green Island Union Free School District and the Schalmont Central School District dated September 4, 2025 through June 30, 2026 for three (3) students at an estimated tuition and related service cost of \$144,151.

Motion carried 7-0.

CASHIC Trust: Motion made by Mr. Iyer, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, “WHEREAS, Schalmont Central School District is a member of the Capital Area School Health Insurance Consortium (“CASHIC”); and WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of CASHIC seeks to adopt a revised Trust Agreement, to ensure the continued effective operation of CASHIC; NOW, THEREFORE, due deliberation having been had, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Schalmont Central School District hereby consents to the adoption of the Trust Agreement proposed by CASHIC’s Board of Trustees. That Rachael France be authorized to execute the Written Consent provided by CASHIC’s Board of Trustees. That one (1) certified copy of this Resolution be prepared and sent, along with the executed Written Consent, to CASHIC’s attorneys at the following address: Gleason, Dunn, Walsh & O’Shea, P.C., 300 Great Oaks Blvd., Suite 321, Albany, New York 12203 Attn: Richard C. Reilly, Esq.

Motion carried 7-0.

BOARD ITEMS

- Ms. Dowse: Thank you to the student reps on sharing the information with us, and giving us an inside on the school part that we do not see.
- Mr. Lawrence: Thank you to the board books. Thank you for the creativity throughout the school, such as painting parking spots. Thank you to the adults in the community for making this stuff happen. Some things are traditional, but some new and different, so thank you for that.
- Mrs. Hanson: Thank you for the wonderful board books.
- Mr. Santabarbara: Homecoming and Spirit Week was great. Being back in the Pre-K feels great and a lot of community support. Thank you to the teachers and the families.
- Mr. Iyer: Attended Homecoming and there was no parking, and he loved that because all the community came out and the school is becoming more and more involved.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by Mr. Iyer, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the October 14, 2025 meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachael France
Clerk of the Board