

SCHALMONT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

**Meeting of the Schalmont Board of Education
Monday, March 9, 2026; 7:00 PM; Middle School LGI**

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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. Mau, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that the agenda for the March 9, 2026 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, congratulations to all the art students whose artwork was selected for the Art Exhibit this past Thursday. Also, congratulations to the new members who were inducted into the Spanish Honor Society. Schalmont's new Unified Bowling has been a great addition to the winter season. As we close the winter sports soon, a big congratulations to all the winter sports Senior nights that took place. A Wellness Fair took place this past Friday, where mental health and well-being services were provided for students. Students seemed to love the baby goat from the Mariaville Goat Farm. At the Middle School, congratulations to the students who participated in the Band and Chorus concerts for grades 7-12, this past Saturday. A great way to end off the winter season, as we hopefully are turning towards spring! Fifth graders celebrated their 1,000th day of school before the winter break, the theme was tropical, where they did math activities, and had themed snacks. At Jefferson Elementary, the Elementary PTO held a Glitz & Glam Dance for 3rd and 4th grades this past Friday, March 6 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Before the break, our Jefferson students enjoyed Olympic style activities in their PE classes. Jefferson's first graders enjoyed an opportunity to strap on snowshoes and have some snowy fun thanks to our friends at Thacher State Park! Jefferson students are having a blast learning how to bump, set and serve in the afterschool volleyball program. At Woestina Elementary, Pre-K students are all smiles when their fifth grade buddies show up for a visit! Each month, fifth grade students take a field trip to Woestina to share activities with our youngest learners.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

2026-2027 Budget Update – Dr. Reardon and Ms. France

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

- ✓ Board of Education Meeting Minutes: February 9, 2026
 - ✓ Treasurer Report, HS/MS Extracurricular: January 2026
 - ✓ CSE/CPSE Recommendations: February 3, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 24, 2026
 - ✓ Personnel Matters
- **Instructional Personnel Matters**
 - Unpaid Leave of Absence
Joelle Sweet, Physical Education, HS, effective February 19, 2026 through June 26, 2026
 - Retirement Resignation
Aimee Yankowski, AIS Math, MS, effective September 9, 2026; 22 years of service

Resignation

Lauren Rockenstire, Family & Consumer Sciences, MS, effective February 11, 2026

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

Connor Leddick, JV Baseball Coach, Step 3

Bruce McAllister, JV Softball Coach, Step 8

2025-26 BOCES Substitute Teacher Appointments

Packet #10 – Katherine Allen, Emily Honsinger, James Jensen, Jean Johnson, Victoria Marino, Stacy Masucci, Natalie McGlaulin, Riad Morshed, Clarence Smith, Graycie Swain

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

<u>Resignations</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Carmen Echevarria	Cleaner	Jefferson	03/06/26 (close of business)
Sandra Mossa	Food Service Worker	Jefferson	03/13/26 (close of business)
Marybeth Smith	Monitor	Jefferson	03/06/26
Marybeth Smith	Bus Attendant	Transportation	03/06/26

<u>Substitute Appointment</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Work Day</u>
Sandra Mossa	Food Service Worker	District Wide	03/16/26	as needed

<u>Substitute Resignation</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Patrick Keough	Safety Officer	District Wide	02/24/26
Marybeth Smith	Food Service Worker	District Wide	03/06/26

Motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

BOCES Nomination: Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Ms. Dowse, Resolved, that pursuant to §1950 of Education Law, the Schalmont Central School District is nominating Nancy delPrado as a candidate to serve a three-year term as a Capital Region BOCES Board Member for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, representing Schenectady County.

Motion carried 6-1.

Second Read/Adoption-Board Policies: Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Ms. Dowse, that the Board of Education approve the second read/adoption of the following School Board policies.

8121.2	Automated External Defibrillators
8505	“Charging” Meals and Other Food Items
8520	Free Meal Services

Motion carried 7-0.

BOARD ITEMS

Mr. Lawrence - Thank you to the students who came tonight, the Board cares about the students and wants to do what is best for the Schalmont students and families.

Mr. Santabarbara - Congratulations to the New York Focus Article. It was strong in showing what has been done for Pre-K and some comments from other school districts, showing Schalmont in a positive light.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by Mrs. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Iyer, that the March 9, 2026 meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachael France
Clerk of the Board