

**Board of Education Meeting  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, March 20, 2019  
High School Library  
7:00pm**

**PRESENT:** Chris Farnan  
Jason Fernau  
Susan Filburn  
Lillian McCarthy  
Jeanne Obermayer  
Michael O'Donnell  
Dorothy Sellers

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kenneth Slentz, Superintendent of Schools  
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

**CALL TO ORDER**

Susan Filburn called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**RECOGNITIONS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**MINUTES**

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Lillian McCarthy that the Board of Education accept the Minutes for the March 6, 2019 meeting

Ayes all

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Kathleen Skellie gave an overview of the progression of the ELA and Mathematics plans. She highlighted each of the steps and explained the desired plans for providing professional development. Ms. Skellie reminded everyone the success and the sustainability of the program would be greatly enhanced by strong professional development, and stated the staff was enthusiastic and supportive of the upcoming changes.

Brian Sirianni provided an update on the 2020 budget, and discussed the current standing of State Aid. Mr. Sirianni announced the propositions that would be included on the May ballot, and explained their importance to the district. He explained the Library Proposition was a pass through proposition allowing the library's funds to be collected by the district and given directly

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to them, and announced there would be no BARC proposition, as the expenses would now be incorporated into a contract with BARC.

Mr. Slentz gave a program update explaining the developing instructional program changes. He fully discussed the changes, challenges and rewards for students and faculty.

Mr. Slentz stated he was proud of the work being done and acknowledged the dedication of everyone involved and the vigor of the work being done.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Jeanne Obermayer reported the Audit Committee had met with the internal auditor.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Slentz reminded everyone that the drama production Newsies would be starting March 21<sup>st</sup> and encouraged everyone to attend.

Mr. Slentz shared the news of the wonderful job done by the Robotics Team at the RPI competition, and stated many of the participants had grown up as part of the Robotics Team. He praised the program as well as the Odyssey of the Mind Program.

Mr. Slentz announced there would be a Mac 'n Cheese Night and a Silent Auction on April 3<sup>rd</sup> hosted by the Ballston Spa High School's FIRST Robotics Team to raise funds for their trip to the championship event.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution #378 - Purchase of School Vehicles Proposition

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BALLSTON SPA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, that the following proposition be presented to the voters of the District at the annual Budget Vote to be held on May 21, 2019:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District is hereby authorized and directed to: (1) purchase various school buses and vehicles, at a maximum cost of \$965,400 (2) expend such sum for such purpose, (3) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 416 of the Education Law, and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$965,400, and levy a tax to pay the interest and principal on said obligations when due.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include the notice of the vote on the proposition in the notice of the annual Budget Vote.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution takes effect immediately.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Chris Farnan that the Board of Education approve Resolution #Purchase of School Vehicles Proposition

Ayes all

Resolution #379 - Capital Reserve Fund Proposition

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BALLSTON SPA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, that the following proposition be presented to the voters of the District at the annual Budget Vote to be held on May 21, 2019:

The Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby approves the following proposition, to be placed before the District voters,: (1) create a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of financing the general improvements, construction, reconstruction, renovations or additions to various School District, buildings and grounds, including site work and the acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required for the purpose for which such buildings are to be used; (2) fund said reserve to the ultimate amount of \$9,000,000, and (3) annually deposit into the Capital Reserve fund such portion of the General Fund and/or available unappropriated fund balance, as determined by the Board of Education. The probable duration of the Capital Reserve Fund is ten (10) years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include notice of the vote on the above proposition in the notice of the annual Budget Vote.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution takes effect immediately.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Resolution #379 – Capital Reserve Fund Proposition

Ayes all

Resolution #380 - Ballston Spa Public Library Proposition

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BALLSTON SPA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, that the following proposition be presented to the voters of the District at the annual Budget Vote to be held on May 21, 2019:

The Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$57,750 as and for its contribution toward the expense of maintaining and operating the Ballston Spa Public Library, and to levy the necessary taxes therefore.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include notice of the vote on the proposition in the notice of the annual Budget Vote.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution takes effect immediately.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Jeanne Obermayer that the Board of Education approve Resolution #380 – Ballston Spa Public Library Proposition

Ayes all

Resolution #381 - Adoption-2019-2020 School Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the school calendar for the 2019-2020 school year be adopted, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Resolution #381 – Adoption – 2019-2020 School Calendar

Ayes all

Resolution #382 - Amend 2018-2019 Board of Education Meeting Dates

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the 2018-2019 Board of Education Meeting Dates, previously approved on April 11, 2018, be amended to delete meeting dates on May 1, 2019 and May 15, 2019, and replace with meeting dates on May 8, 2019 and May 22, 2019, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Chris Farnan that the Board of Education approve Resolution #382 – Amend 2018-2019 Board of Education Meeting Dates

Ayes all

Resolution #383 - Placement of Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Special Education, effective March 20, 2019, be and are hereby approved:

Student #277079	Student #277102	Student #273726	Student #271396
Student #274200	Student #276316	Student #272689	Student #274205
Student #275053	Student #275801	Student #274924	Student #276093
Student #274797	Student #274789	Student #276081	Student #272689

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Resolution #383 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

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Resolution #384 - Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the said Board arrange placement of the following students as recommended by the District Committee on Preschool Special Education, effective March 20, 2019, be and are hereby approved:

Student #276296	Student #276570	Student #277050
Student #275921	Student #275023	Student #276790
Student #276768	Student #277006	

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Resolution #384 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

**Resolutions #385 - #391 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.**

Resolution #385 - Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of the employee(s) listed below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Peter Cameron	Bus Driver	3/24/19
Andrew Ferrone	Intramurals Advisor (Spring), WR	3/5/19
Mary Hollner	Bus Attendant	4/5/19
Laurie Pascucci	Teaching Assistant	2/21/19
Stacey Rorick	Cleaner	3/21/19

Resolution #386 - Reorganization

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District hereby abolishes the position of Human Resources Support Specialist, effective March 7, 2019 and replaces with the position of Principal Typist, effective March 7, 2019.

Resolution #387 - Appointment – Teaching Assistant

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the probationary position(s) indicated below, with salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Jeffrey West	Teaching Assistant	NYS Initial, Physical Education	\$21,711/yr. Step 1	3/21/19-3/20/23

Resolution #388 - Approval – Addendum

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the addendum to the individual employment agreement(s) for the following person(s), be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Helen Kate Mayer	Principal Typist	3/21/2019

Resolution #389 - Permanent Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted permanent appointment to the position(s) indicated below, with effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dawn Woolard	School Aide	3/23/19

Resolution #390 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be granted probationary appointment to the position(s) indicated below, with hours, salary and effective date(s) shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Peter Cameron	Cleaner	40	\$16.96/hr.	3/24/19-3/23/20
William Little, Jr.	Bus Driver	40	\$21.07/hr.	3/25/19-3/24/20
Stacey Rorick	School Aide	37.5	\$14.34/hr.	3/21/19-3/20/20

Resolution #391 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2018-2019 school year, with hours and salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Marietta Kirkpatrick	Driver-in-Training	30	\$11.10/hr.
James Guildler	Substitute Bus Driver	30	\$20.44/hr.
Rosalie Wendling	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$14.33/hr.

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MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #385-391

Ayes all

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education accept Walk-On Resolutions #392- 394

Ayes all

Resolution #392 - Establishment of Voter Registration Day

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that on May 14, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. be designated as Voter Registration Day and in connection with Election District No. 1, the Board of Registration will meet for the purpose of registering all qualified voters of said Election District No. 1, on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock Noon and 4:00 o'clock P.M., (Prevailing Time), at the Administration Building, 70 Malta Avenue, Ballston Spa, New York and (b) in connection with Election District No. 2, the Board of Registration will meet for the purpose of registering all qualified voters of said Election District No. 2, on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock Noon and 4:00 o'clock P.M., (Prevailing Time), at the Town of Malta Town Hall, 2540 Route 9, Malta, New York.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Walk-On Resolution #392 – Establishment of Voter Registration Day

Ayes all

Resolution #393 - Appointment – Teaching Assistant – Long-Term Substitute

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to a long-term substitute position(s) as indicated below, with salary and effective dates shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary/Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Nancy Boisvert	NYS Teaching Assistant, Level 3	\$24,630/yr. Step 7	3/18/19-6/30/19

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Walk-On Resolution #393 – Appointment – Teaching Assistant – Long-Term Substitute

Ayes all

Resolution #394 - Appointment – Support Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the position(s) indicated below for the 2018-2019 school year, with hours and salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs/Wk</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Timothy Kavanaugh	Substitute Bus Attendant	30	\$14.33/hr.

MOTION BY Dorothy Sellers, seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education approve Walk-On Resolution #394 – appointment – Support Services

Ayes all

**BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, Student Council, and PTA**

The teaching assistants announced they had purchased two bicycles to donate for the Health and Wellness Expo.

Student Council announced their upcoming events.

Jason Fernau announced the upcoming PTA sponsored events at each school.

Jason Fernau announced an April 8<sup>th</sup> date for the Taste of Ballston and encouraged everyone to attend.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY, Dorothy Sellers seconded by Michael O'Donnell to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni  
Clerk of the Board