

**Board of Education Meeting  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, April 19, 2023  
High School Library  
7:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Holly Barker-Flynn  
Matthew Dreher  
Jason Fernau  
Dr. Julia Routbort Baskin  
Lawrence Ryan  
Timothy Turbiak  
Katie Whittemore

**STAFF PRESENT:** Dr. Gianleo Duca, Superintendent of Schools  
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

**CALL TO ORDER**

Jason Fernau called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Fernau discussed school Districts need of bus drivers across the nation. He mentioned the book resolution and discussed the District's policies regarding objections and appeals. He explained processes surrounding library books and the community's options.

**RECOGNITION**

Dr. Duca congratulated the Odyssey of the Mind Teams that had recently competed. He shared team's successes and stated one team would be moving on to the World Finals Tournament.

Anders Rasmussen, principal, along with Wood Road Librarian Heather Thomas, shared information regarding a partnership with the Ronald McDonald House, and he discussed the sharing spirit of their school.

Ms. Thomas discussed the roots of the READ Program at BSCSD, and explained the program. She stated in 2023 Wood Road students raised \$6,995.75, and announced the 3-year grand total of \$23,858.64. She thanked Mr. Rasmussen for supporting the program.

Mr. Rasmussen thanked Ms. Thomas for all her hard work. He stated the sense of giving in the school was really amazing. He shared that 64 schools participated in the READ Program, and Wood Road had been in 6<sup>th</sup> place.

Mr. Fernau thanked everyone involved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kristofer Dubuque, Ballston Spa, addressed items in Resolution #515. He addressed specific items in the book. He voiced concerns regarding the housing of the book in the school's library.

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Jason Fernau stated he wanted to clarify that some content from a website discussed by Mr. Dubuque was not actual content of the book itself.

Jim Shear, Glenville read from NY Penal Code regarding obscenity. He voiced concerns regarding content of the book in Resolution #515.

Celeste Shear, Glenville read from NY Penal Code regarding endangering the welfare of a child and obscenity. She referenced another school District's situation regarding offensive materials. She questioned the presence of pornographic inappropriate materials in a school library.

Tim Bantham, Ballston Spa, voiced a show of support for the school board and the book in Resolution #515.

Martina Bantham, Ballston Spa, voiced support for the school staff, superintendent, the librarian, and the book in Resolution #515. She stated she was against book bans.

Karen Barone, Ballston Spa, voiced concern about values that are subjective and for family. She supported Resolution #515.

Rana Hughes, Ballston Spa, voiced concern regarding banning books in a public-school setting. She supported Resolution #515.

Jason Savaria, Ballston Spa, shared a transcript of a recording of a meeting with Jason Fernau.

Zachary Brand, Ballston Spa, voiced support for Resolution #515, and in opposition of banning books.

Megan Soden, Ballston Spa, voiced concern regarding Resolution #515. She shared information regarding sexually explicit content and appropriateness from the author of the book and others.

Cameron McKay, Ballston Spa, spoke on behalf of her mother Sarah McKay. Her mother is concerned that the board is spending too much time on this book issue and not on safety issues in the school, and voiced support for the book in Resolution #515. She then voiced her own support for the book in Resolution #515.

James Warlikowski, Malta, voiced a desire for the District to move forward with hiring a new wrestling coach to support students.

James Warlikowski, Malta, asked if the graphics in the book in Resolution #515 could be censored.

Jason Gurtler, Ballston Spa, shared historical information regarding Resolution #515. He stated the board had removed video of excerpts of the book being read due to its inappropriateness. He voiced concerns regarding the graphic images depicted in the book in Resolution #515.

Steve Galish, Ballston Spa, shared observations and statistical information regarding costs of education and test results. He voiced concern regarding the book in Resolution #515. Stated it was not about book banning, but taxpayer money being spent on pornographic materials.

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Anne Sweet, Ballston Spa, voiced support regarding Resolution #515. She voiced support for the school staff, librarians and the process of book review.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT**

Student Government reported Leadership Conference and Spring Fling Dance would be on Friday. They stated the last day to buy tickets for the Spring Fling was tomorrow.

Student Government shared the topic for Spirit Week, and announced the Suburban Council Music Festival date.

Student Government announced the International Showcase of Community Projects would be held in the Middle School cafeteria on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION BY, Timothy Turbiak seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve the April 5, 2023 regular meeting minutes

Ayes all

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Duca shared the timeline for the budget process.

Kevin Flores spoke about the new instructional offerings for the 2023 – 2024 school year. He discussed the prerequisites and content for each class.

Dr. Duca discussed the stop arm cameras. He stated cameras had been activated, and that buses with cameras had been deployed to problem areas. He stated the District would be looking to have additional cameras in the future.

Lawrence Ryan offered thanks for the cameras program start.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. Duca reported the District had received 3 emails. He shared their topics.

Mr. Fernau stated there had 49 emails to the board. He shared the topics of the correspondences.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Stuart Williams announced Tec-Smart would be holding their Semi-Conductor Day. He stated the event was being sponsored by HVCC and area businesses. He stated there were flyers available and information on the District's web site.

Mr. Williams announced Robotics Team is having a taste test of Mac and Cheese and Pizza event on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. He stated there would be a silent auction during the taste testing.

Mr. Williams announced IB Community Project Showcase and International Night would be held in the Middle School cafeteria. He shared the date and time of the event.

Mr. Williams announced Suburban Council Music Festival. He shared dates and times of the event.

Mr. Williams announced 5K Run and Fun Run registration links were open. He stated the volunteer link could potentially be available tomorrow.

Mr. Williams announced the next meeting would be on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution #506 - Adoption of 2023-2024 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the annual budget for the 2023-2024 school year, in the amount of \$104,232,811 be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #506 – Adoption of 2023-2024 School Budget

Ayes all

Resolution #507 - Property Tax Report Card

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Property Tax Report Card for the 2023-2024 school year, be and is hereby accepted and approved.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #507 – Property Tax Report Card

Discussion

Lawrence Ryan pointed out specific information regarding fund balance, and provided an explanation about the District managing its finances.

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Ayes all

Resolution #508 - NYSMEC-Electricity

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

WHEREAS, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire District or a school District; and

WHEREAS, Ballston Spa Central School District (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Participant") is a "municipal corporation" as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May 2005 (the "Agreement"), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium ("NYSMEC") upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the Ballston Spa Central School District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs Jason Fernau to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for electricity on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to execute and deliver a binding contract on behalf of this Board for the purchase of electricity for this Participant from the awarded vendor for a term continuing through April 30, 2024, pursuant to the terms of the awarded vendor contract including a fixed price which shall be determined in accordance with the awarded vendor contract as adjusted based on market conditions on the day such contract is executed and delivered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #508 – NYSMEC - Electricity

Ayes all

Resolution #509 - NYSMEC – Natural Gas

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the

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other, and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the Ballston Spa Central School District to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs Jason Fernau, to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for natural gas on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to execute and deliver a binding contract on behalf of this Board for the purchase of natural gas for this Participant from the awarded vendor for a term continuing through April 30, 2024, pursuant to the terms of the awarded vendor contract including a fixed price which shall be determined in accordance with the awarded vendor contract as adjusted based on market conditions on the day such contract is executed and delivered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #509 – NYSMEC – Natural Gas

Ayes all

Resolution #510 - Agreement – Professional Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, hereby approves the agreement between The Charlton School/Ketchum-Grande Memorial School and the District for the 2023-2024 school year, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #510 – Agreement – Professional Services

Ayes all

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Resolution #511 - Budget Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Transfers, be and are hereby approved.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #511 – Budget Transfers

Ayes all

Resolution #512 - Award of Bid – Auto, Truck and Bus Parts

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the bid for auto, truck and bus parts for the 2023-2024 school year be awarded as follows, be and is hereby approved:

**Part 1 Auto, Truck & Bus Parts**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Matthews Buses Inc.	\$35,636.40
Leonard Bus Sales Inc.	\$4,986.50
Brenntag North America Inc.	\$38,073.92
New York Bus Sales	\$7,760.46
HL Gage Sales Inc.	\$7,881.58
Total	\$94,338.86

**Part 2 OEM & Miscellaneous Parts**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Item/Discount</u>
Mangino Buick GMC	Group #9–GM Car & light truck OEM & miscellaneous items 40% discount
Morris Ford Inc.	Group #10–Ford Car & Light truck OEM & miscellaneous items 30% discount
Leonard Bus Sales	Group #11-International Navistar OEM parts & miscellaneous items 30% discount
NY Bus Sales	Group #12- Freightliner OEM parts Min 26% discount

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #512 – Award of Bid – Truck and Bus Parts

Ayes all

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Resolution #513 - Award of Bid – Safety and Security Film

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the bid for Safety and Security Film with Installation for the 2023-2024 school year be awarded as follows, be and is hereby approved:

Vendor  
National Glazing Solutions  
1300 Veterans Memorial  
Highway Ste. 340  
Hauppauge, NY 11778

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #513 - Award of Bid – Safety and Security Film

Ayes all

Resolution #514 - Scholarship Change

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, that the following award amounts/terms are hereby accepted and approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Amount/Recipients</u>
Olga Haggerty Award	Awarded to one male and one female member of the Senior Class who have shown the most improvement in their academic studies over the past year.	\$100/1 male and 1 female

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #514 – Scholarship Change

Ayes all

Resolution #515 - Book Review

WHEREAS, the Ballston Spa Central School District received a Request for Review of Library Material concerning a book (i.e., “Gender Queer” by Maia Kobabe) that is currently maintained in the High School library; and

WHEREAS, a Review Committee was formed, in accordance with District policy, to review the book; and

WHEREAS, the Review Committee met, after each member had read the book in its entirety, discussed the book and the principles and criteria for the selection of library materials, and determined that the book should remain in circulation in the High School library only as the book met the selection criteria and is relevant to the high school age group; and

WHEREAS, the Requestor of the Review appealed the Review Committee’s decision to the Superintendent; and



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Mr. Fernau gave clarification of the resolution.

Mr. Ryan shared his thought process on the topic and gave a summary of his opinion. He thanked the community for their patience during the process. He shared his thought processes, and stated he was surprised at the Committee's decision. He stated that *Gender Queer* is a book that does provide value and benefit to students that may be struggling with their gender identity, however, he did not feel the book was appropriate for a school library due to the sexually explicit materials, not due to gender identity or LGBTQ content. He discussed the potential for parental permissions. He discussed other mechanisms the District uses for parental choice. Mr. Ryan stated that the book service Titlewave used by the District lists the audience level for this book as "Adult". He stated this book is part of the library collection available through the Village of Ballston Spa Public Library so any high school student who wishes to read this book has that option available to them. He stated he would be voting nay.

Mr. Turbiak acknowledged the nationwide discussion regarding books. He stated he had strong feelings about banning books, but stated appropriateness needed to be considered. Mr. Turbiak stated he would vote to keep the book in the library. He stated his decision to keep the book was driven by policy and not personal feelings. He stated it would be a disservice to remove the book.

Ms. Barker-Flynn stated she would be voting to keep the book in the library. She stated families should make decisions. She stated she had been moved by the parent emails. She stated she was honored to serve and proud of the decisions and opinions of all.

Dr. Routbort Baskin stated she was voting to keep the book. She thanked everyone involved in the review and community members. She stated the book was valuable and needed to be available for those that identify with the book. She shared her opinion on explicit content.

Ms. Whittemore thanked the community as a whole for speaking on the topic. She stated the Board was listening to the public. She stated the Board needed to represent the community as a whole. She stated she felt better able to support students after reading the book. Katie Whittemore reminded everyone the content of the book was not part of the curriculum.

Mr. Fernau reiterated the book was not part of the curriculum. He stated the book had no illegal material. He shared his opinion on literary and artistic expression. He shared his opinion regarding public institutions and availability of materials. He stated he was proud of the Board and the District's stance. Mr. Fernau revisited an earlier community concern, and shared his fears and concerns for students. He stated the book's content was not worrisome.

Mr. Ryan asked if the other book that had been objected to had been removed from the library.

Mr. Fernau stated there had been no challenge to the other book. He stated no book would be removed unless there was a challenge per policy.

Mr. Dreher stated he always considers the community's feelings. He stated he respects all parents, adding that in good conscience he could not ban a book and take it away from a student in need.

Ayes all but Lawrence Ryan

Nay – Lawrence Ryan

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WHEREAS, the Superintendent, after having read the book in its entirety, reviewed the objectives of the District's library materials selection policy, and examined the review of the Review Committee, determined to uphold the decision of the Review Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Requestor of the Review appealed the Superintendent's decision to the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education undertook review of the District's procedures in reviewing the Request and whether the book meets the selection criteria for library material so to remain in the High School library; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education met with Board Counsel for legal advice on the matter; and

WHEREAS, each member of the Board of Education read the book in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education thoroughly reviewed and discussed the process of the review of the Review Committee and the Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education engaged in in-depth review of the book, including the book's images, words, themes, messages, and relation to the District's principles and criteria for library materials.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education resolves as follows:

1. The Board of Education finds that the Review Committee and the Superintendent properly followed District processes and conducted thorough reviews.
2. The Board of Education finds that the book meets the selection principles and criteria for library materials in the District's libraries for continued inclusion at the High School level only. The Board of Education determines that the book provides informative messages on a variety of topics that could be beneficial to all readers. The Board of Education finds that the themes present in the book provide a unique viewpoint that enhances the overall library offerings for students. The Board of Education asserts the importance of considering the book as a whole and understanding each image and phrase in context.
3. The Board of Education determines that the book should remain in the High School library. The Board of Education finds that this book is appropriate for the high school age group.
4. The Board of Education upholds the determinations of the Review Committee and the Superintendent and denies the appeal of the Requestor.

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #515 – Book Review

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Resolution #516 - 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 April 19, 2023, be and are hereby approved:

Student #24412	Student #273352	Student #23773
Student #277222	Student #275032	Student #275563
Student #277376	Student #273736	Student #278249
Student #278099	Student #25832	Student #278034
Student #25449	Student #273142	Student #272229
Student #23778	Student #276777	Student #19172
Student #277672	Student #275525	Student #25689
Student #277413	Student #278569	Student #276997
Student #275929	Student #274786	Student #275270
Student #279550	Student #274357	Student #276574
Student #275361	Student #23037	Student #277572
Student #277271	Student #277376	Student #273490
Student #21093	Student #275762	Student #275167
Student #278189	Student #278451	Student #276165
Student #278074	Student #273876	Student #275111
Student #272129	Student #277958	Student #275254
Student #275569	Student #276004	Student #277277
Student #276550	Student #24891	Student #277326
Student #278567	Student #25075	Student #272855
Student #276172	Student #274923	Student #275572
Student #23098	Student #275525	Student #278458
Student #277275	Student #276798	Student #276799
Student #276925	Student #272441	Student #279392

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #516 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolution #517 - 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 April 19, 2023, be and are hereby approved:

Student #279277	Student #278624	Student #279738
Student #278601	Student #279703	Student #279182
Student #278924	Student #279417	Student #278701

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolution #517 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

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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>
Gerald Donnelly	Mechanic	4/21/23

Resolution #519 - Rescission of Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the appointment of Theresa Rousseau, previously approved by the Board at their meeting held October 5, 2022, in Resolution #269, is hereby rescinded, be and is hereby approved.

Resolution #520 - Extension of Probationary Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the agreement dated March 31, 2023 extending the probationary appointment of John Ippoliti to September 18, 2024, in accordance with the terms of said agreement.

Resolution #521 - Tenure Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following persons be awarded tenure, be and are hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Commencement Date</u>
Carey Hargadon	Art	5/01/23

Resolution #522 - Appointment – Instructional – 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 instructional position(s) as indicated below, with salary and effective dates shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name / Position</u>	<u>Certification Status</u>	<u>Salary / Step</u>	<u>Effective Dates</u>
Jeffrey Carminati	NYS Permanent, Biology & General Science 7-12	\$99,555/yr. Step 23 +68 (pro-rated)	5/16/23-5/30/23
Devon Schwartz	NYS Professional, Childhood Ed. 1-6, SWD 1-6; NYS Initial, Literacy B-6	\$50,238/yr. Step 4 + 30 (pro-rated)	5/01/23-6/23/23

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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 2022-2023 school year, with hours and rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs./Wk.</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Jennifer Bailey	Substitute Driver	25	\$22.88/hr.
Kerry Wintsch	Substitute Lifeguard	30	\$16.17/hr.

**Resolution #524 - Appointment – Increase in Hours – Support Services**

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Max Hrs./Wk.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Janice Lewis-Morrow	Bus Attendant	28.75	4/20/23
Barbara Wolf	Bus Driver	30	4/20/23

**Resolution #525 - Appointment – Tutor**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the Tutor position for the 2022-2023 school year, with rate shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Keira Clark	NYS Permanent, Pre K-6, Special Education, Reading	\$35.61/hr.
Keira Clark	NYS Permanent, Pre K-6, Special Education, Reading	\$40.72/hr.

**Resolution #526 - Appointment – Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the advisor position(s) to the following clubs and activities for the 2022-2023 school year, with stipend shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Judith Ottati	Unified Basketball (spring), HS	\$622
Perri Anne Rule	Unified Basketball (spring), HS	\$622

**Resolution #527 - Appointment - Interscholastic Sports Coaches**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District that the following person(s) be appointed to the coaching position(s) indicated below for the 2022-2023 school year, with stipend shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Theresa Rousseau	Varsity Track	\$5,837

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MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #518 - 527

Ayes all

MOTION BY Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education accept Walk-On Resolution #528 and Walk-On Resolution #529

Ayes all

Resolution #528 - 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 16, 2023:

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 \$965,000 (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 \$965,000, and levy a tax to pay the interest and principal on said obligations when due.

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 Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Walk-On Resolution #528

Ayes all

Resolution #529 - 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 16, 2023:

SHALL an annual appropriation of \$62,102 separate and apart from the Ballston Spa Central School District annual school District budget, be approved to support and maintain the Ballston Spa Public Library, which sum shall be raised annually by a tax upon the taxable property of the school District, and which appropriation shall be the annual appropriation for the library until changed by further vote of the electors of the school District, and such tax shall be levied and collected yearly as are other general taxes and paid over to the Library Trustees?

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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 Timothy Turbiak, seconded by Holly Barker-Flynn that the Board of Education approve Walk- On Resolution #529

Ayes all

**OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kristofer Dubuque, Ballston Spa, asked for volunteers and donations for Wiswald Park. He solicited the Board for their time and asked for a response to his previous request regarding pavers.

Josh Ness, Ballston Spa, voiced support for the book in Resolution #515, and for a library that provided something for everyone.

Diane O'Connor, Ballston Spa, acknowledged and thanked the Staulter brothers and requested a wrestling coach be expediently hired.

Jason Savaria, Ballston Spa, thanked Mr. Ryan for his words. He identified himself as the individual that requested the book review. He stated the sole purpose for the review was due to the inappropriate imagery in the book. He voiced concern that the Board agreed the images in the book were sexually explicit, but were also agreeing to supply the book to students.

Frank Rossi, Jr., Ballston Spa, praised the community debate. He thanked Mr. Fernau and Mr. Ryan for their attendance at the Village meeting. He praised students for supporting the community and shared information regarding their participation.

Keith Lewis, Ballston Spa, voiced his support of Resolution #515. He stated it was important for all parties to have a voice. He shared statistics surrounding youth.

**BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, and PTA**

Mr. Turbiak shared information regarding Milton Terrace's next meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Turbiak stated the WR talent show would be on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Turbiak stated the PTSA was looking for volunteers to serve pizza.

Mr. Fernau stated the PTSA was looking for volunteers for After Prom.

Mr. Ryan stated BACC would like to present to discuss their offerings.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Jason Fernau stated the next meeting would be on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

MOTION BY Holly Barker-Flynn, seconded by Tim Turbiak that the Board of Education adjourn at 9:13 p.m.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni  
Clerk of the Board