

**Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 16, 2015
High School Library
7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Daniel Cramer
Susan Filburn
Nancy Fodera – Arrived 7:10
Tony Leva
Christine Richardson
Jeanne Obermayer - Absent
Kevin Schaefer

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Joseph Dragone, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Sirianni, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Schaefer called the Board of Education meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 18, 2015 – Approved as submitted
December 2, 2015– Approved as submitted

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Dragone thanked the SUNY Chancellor for visiting the ECS. He thanked the students and staff as well.

Dr. Dragone announced an ATC Grant award of \$2,500. He went on to announce several groups had received Global Foundries/Malta Foundation Grants including \$21,000 for engineering Education, Author Programs, and Robot Rumble.

Dr. Dragone voiced appreciation for the holiday spirit of giving to the district.

Dr. Dragone reminded all the next Board of Education Meeting would be held on Tuesday, January 5, 2016.

Budget Goals

Dr. Dragone reminded everyone of the district's mission, and discussed delivering of the mission including outcomes and core values, reminding all of the common core standards, that would be reworked, and the graduation competencies.

Dr. Dragone outlined the budget principles and guidelines and stated the framework of the district was determined by the mission, principles and guidelines and budget goals.

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Dr. Dragone outlined the budget drivers including revenue and expenditures, he also outlined the tax rates per \$1000 assessed value over a 5-year period.

Dr. Dragone provided the Suburban Council 7-year average tax levy increase percentage.

Dr. Dragone gave historical State Aid as percentage of revenue and outlined the impact of lost assessed value of Global Foundries.

Dr. Dragone outlined the Regents State Aid Proposal and policy proposals and outlined the current politics in regard to State Aid.

He discussed the changes between the Federal and State decision making power. Dr. Dragone discussed the four dimensions of Federal Accountability and discussed the ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) compromise bill. He presented an ESSA Summary regarding requirements.

Dr. Dragone shared the Common Core Task Force Report.

Dr. Dragone discussed enrollment projections. He discussed the continued downward trend, and shared historical kindergarten figures.

Dr. Dragone reviewed the 2015–2016 Budget Goals and discussed the crucial necessary maintenance. Dr. Dragone summarized the budget goals and discussed the continued focus of the work of the district.

Mr. Schaefer stated he knew the district would continue to provide the best possible opportunities for students because of the staff and administration. He voiced his approval of the programs supported by the district that were outside the traditional academic opportunities.

Dr. Dragone stated the district offered more opportunities than any other area schools, offering value for families in regard to college costs. He stated no other district was providing the number of opportunities for students, adding the district would continue to advance and grow because of the desire for continual improvement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nancy Fodera stated the Ballston Spa Educational Foundation raffle tickets for the Italy trip were available. She stated the drawing would be held on April 11th at the Taste of Ballston. Ms. Fodera stated the BSEF would have one granting session.

Mr. Schaefer stated the Medicaid Committee had met and discussed the site visits of compliance officer, billing issues and different software for referrals.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #299 - Transportation Contract – WSWHE BOCES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Ballston Spa Central School District, hereby approves the transportation contract between Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex BOCES and the District for the district's share of CTE shuttle runs for the 2015-2016 school year, be and is hereby approved.

MOTION BY, Daniel Cramer seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#299 – Transportation Contract – WSWHE BOCES

Ayes all

Resolution #300 - 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 December 16, 2015 be and are hereby approved:

Student #273271	Student #23240	Student #18232
Student #25390	Student #24943	Student #274397
Student #274964	Student #271659	Student #19206
Student #25787	Student #24338	Student #23111
Student #274754	Student #19129	
Student #274399	Student #18217	

MOTION BY, Daniel Cramer seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#300 – Placement of Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolution #301 - 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 December 16, 2015 be and are hereby approved:

Student #274715	Student #273229	Student #274939
Student #274552	Student #274944	Student #274736
Student #274551	Student #274267	Student #274506

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Student #273504
Student #274923

Student #274827
Student #274532

Student #274287

MOTION BY, Daniel Cramer seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolution#301 – Placement of Preschool Students with Disabilities

Ayes all

Resolutions #302 - #306 are recognized as a consent agenda for the purpose of Board of Education action.

Resolution #302 - 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>
Cathy Antinore	Cleaner	12/08/15
Matthew Randall	Cleaner	12/10/15
Philip Sabatino	Cleaner	12/05/15
Theodore Snyder	Aquatics Coordinator	01/01/16
Laura Waldinger	Aquatics Coordinator	01/01/16

Resolution #303 - 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 position(s) indicated below for the 2015-2016 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Patricia Fitzgerald	Modified Swim & Dive	\$3,500

Resolution #304 - 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) for the 2015-2016 school year, with salary shown, be and is (are) hereby approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Location</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Sandra Catricala	Drama Club Costume Designer, MS	\$877
Ellen Predmore	Fall Intramurals, HS	\$586

Resolution #305 - Permanent Appointment

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:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Cindy Scranton	School Aide	12/18/15

Resolution #306 - 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 appointment to the probationary 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 Dates</u>
KimAnn Kingsley	School Aide	17	\$13.15/hr.	12/17/15-12/16/16
Dawn McDonald	School Aide	17	\$13.15/hr.	12/17/15-12/16/16
Toni Montuori	Cleaner	40	\$15.56/hr.	12/17/15-12/16/16
Debra Vukas	School Aide	17	\$13.15/hr.	12/17/15-12/16/16

MOTION BY, Daniel Cramer seconded by Susan Filburn that the Board of Education approve Resolutions#302 - 306

Ayes all

BSATA, BSTA, CSEA, Student Council, and PTA

Student Council announced winter week and holiday season initiatives, directly impact the community by pushing for family support for holiday giving.

Ms. Fodera announced that February 8th, 3rd Reflections recognition and Founder's Day at Malta Avenue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Schaefer wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY, Daniel Cramer seconded by Nancy Fodera to at adjourn to executive session to discuss the employment of a particular person at 7:58 p.m., not to return to public session.

Ayes all

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Sirianni
Clerk of the Board