

PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
TICONDEROGA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.  
Jr. Sr. High School Auditorium

"Sentinels for Excellence"

MINUTES

Members Present:

Mark Russell	Tracey Cross-Baker	Lynne Lenhart
Erik Leerkes	Seanna Porter	
James Wells, Sr.	Robert Dedrck, Sr.	

Members Absent:

John Bartlett	Eric Rich
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Others Present:

Cynthia Ford-Johnston	Scott Nephew	Trisha & Steve Wojcik
Erin Hamel	Rick Merrill	Donna Watton
Laurie & Matt Cossey	Maria Bagneschi	Nick Follett
John Donohue	Kyle Lang	Bridgett Mather
Tracy Price	John Dreimiller	

Call to Order by President Mark Russell at 6:00 p.m.

Emergency Evacuation Instructions

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearing - Discussion of the 2021-2022 Budget - Mrs. Cynthia Ford-Johnston

Public Participation

Consent Agenda

MOTION BY MR. DEDRICK, SECONDED BY MR. LEERKES, to approve the consent agenda items 1 through and including 3;

1. Agenda as Stands

1.1. May 11, 2021

2. Donations/Grants

- 2.1. \$50 to the Portico Repair Fund from Renee Hughes
- 2.2. \$100 to the Portico Repair Fund from Mary Lou & Kenneth Cooper
- 2.3. Generous Acts grant for \$4,150 to the Backpack Program from Adirondack Foundation-Special and Urgent Needs Funds
- 2.4. Grant of \$5,000 to the Backpack Program from Adirondack for Kids Fund at Adirondack Foundation
- 2.5. Grant of \$15,000 to the Backpack Program for the 2021-2022 school year from the Charles R. Wood Foundation

3. Personnel (Enc.)

3.1. Probationary Appointments

- 3.1.1. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, Bridgett Mather, who is Initially Certificate in the Chemistry 7-12 area and is pending Initial Certification in the Biology 7-12 area, is hereby appointed to the position of Science Teacher tenure area for a probation period commencing on September 1, 2021 and anticipated to end on September 2, 2025. Bridgett Mather's Initial Certificate expires on August 31, 2026 and she must have completed the requirements for professional certification by that date. Salary for the 2021-22 school year is \$49,580 based on Step 1, MS+12.
- 3.1.2. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, Cory Armstrong, is hereby appointed to the position of Mechanic/Bus Driver for a probationary period commencing on June 2, 2021. Salary is \$41,021, based on Step 10 (Mechanic) and \$10,605, based on Step 1 (Bus Driver).

3.2. Change in Hours

- 3.2.1. Melody Borho - Food Service Helper - 175 days to 180 days per year - Effective May 12, 2021

3.3. Leave Request

- 3.3.1. Mary Kathleen Krol (Physical Education Teacher), requests a paid leave, to be paid from sick/personal time, if available, under Family Medical Leave Act, effective April 28, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 3.3.2. Michelle Hood (Elementary Teacher), requests an intermittent paid leave, to be paid from sick/personal time, if available, under the Family Medical Leave Act, for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

- 3.4. **Tenure**  
3.4.1. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent Delaina Dinsmore who holds a Level I Certification, is hereby granted tenure as a Teaching Assistant effective on September 16, 2021.
- 3.5. **Coaching 2020-2021** (Compensation for coaches to be determined)  
3.5.1. JV Baseball Coach - Jarrod Wright  
3.5.2. JV Softball Coach - Todd Mitchell
- 3.6. **Volunteer Drivers 2020-21** (District Occasional Use Vehicles)  
3.6.1. Donald Kaupelis
- 3.7. **New Position**  
3.7.1. Approve creation of Computer Tech Helper position.
- 3.8. **Resolution for Employee Donation of Sick Days**  
Approve a resolution whereby all District Employees shall be allowed to donate sick days to Michelle Hood for the period through the 2020-21 school year, and Michelle Hood shall not be required to pay back any sick day that may be used during her leave and any District Employee wishing to donate sick days will notify the Business Office of their desire to donate and the number of days they wish to donate, the Business Office shall charge the employee's accumulated sick days accordingly.

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

**New Business**

4. **CV-TEC Adult Education and Safety Education Sponsorship Agreement (Enc.)**  
MOTION BY MR. LEERKES, SECONDED BY MR. DEDRICK, to authorize Interim Superintendent of School to sign agreement
5. **Essex County Department of Health Agreement (Preschool Evaluations) (Enc.)**  
MOTION BY MR. LEERKES, SECONDED BY MRS. CROSS-BAKER, to authorize Interim Superintendent of School to sign agreement
6. **Essex County Department of Health Agreement (Preschool Services) (Enc.)**  
MOTION BY MRS. LENHART, SECONDED BY MR. DEDRICK, to authorize Interim Superintendent of School to sign agreement

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

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**Public Participation**

**Adjournment**

MOTION BY MR. LEERKES, SECONDED BY MR. DEDRICK, to adjourn meeting at 6:12 p.m.

**Motion Carried: 7-0**

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Erin Hamel, District Clerk