

HARRISVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

January 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Library

Present: Jan Mosher, President; Cory Bearor, Vice-President; Parish Atkinson; Denise Avallone; Kathy Felio; Heidi McIntosh; and Tennille Schmitt at 6:05 p.m.

Also Present: Robert Finster, Superintendent/Elementary Principal; Eric Luther, MS/HS Principal; Sheryl Tuttle-Lamb, Curriculum Coordinator; Amy Frost, District Treasurer and Jolie Snider, District Clerk

1.0 President Jan Mosher called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2.0 RESOLVED to adopt a single resolution approving the following routine items:

- 2.1 Preliminary Actions & Business Operations
- a. Additions to and Approval of Agenda
 - b. Approval of Minutes – December 11, 2023
 - c. Treasurer’s Report – September and October 2023
 - d. Student Activities Report – November 2023
 - e. Claims Auditor Report – December 2023
 - f. Financial Reports – September and October 2023

Motion made by:	Kathy Felio	Seconded by:	Heidi McIntosh
Voting Results:	YES: 6	NO: 0	ABSTAIN: 0
J. Mosher	Yes	K. Felio	Yes
C. Bearor	Yes	H. McIntosh	Yes
P. Atkinson	Yes		
D. Avallone	Yes		

3.0 Public Participation – Ms. Marchione inquired about the 4 new State holidays. Mr. Finster stated they will not affect this school year’s calendar. He is on the Calendar Committee at BOCES and they are working on completing next year’s calendar.

4.0 Old Business - None

5.0 Committee Reports - None

6.0 New Business:

6.1 Superintendent Report – Mr. Finster stated we have been informed of one retirement at the end of this school year. He stated he is aware of another employee that will be retiring at the end of October and he would like to post the position and hire the replacement a couple of months prior to ensure appropriate training. There is a major shortfall in New York’s Budget and he is worried it may hit a decrease in funding for School Districts. During COVID when there were shortfalls in the Budget, Governor Cuomo did not touch Transportation Aid since we were feeding the students and still paid staff. Now, many schools our size are losing approximately \$5,000 - \$8,000 in Transportation Aid under Governor Hochul.

- 6.1.a Maintenance Report
- 6.1.b Transportation/Bus Garage Report
- 6.1.c Enrollment Report
- 6.1.d Health Office Report

- 6.2 MS/HS Principal's Report – Computer Based Testing will start next on Wednesday, January 17th. It is anticipated that we will receive the results quicker since the testing is on-line. We are all set with the network and infrastructure requirements. It is anticipated each test will take 35-40 minutes. There will be basketball games over break and we are approximately one month from varsity playoffs. There has been one re-evaluation in CSE in the last month and annual reviews will begin this Spring.
- 6.3 Curriculum Coordinator's Report – Mrs. Tuttle-Lamb will be attending the State Literacy Conference. She is currently researching a new Math curriculum. She has met with the 7th and 8th grade ELA and Math teachers to review the results from last year's state testing. Mrs. Margeaux Davis was here for Professional Development reviewing best practices for AIS and MTSS.
- 6.4 RESOLVED to adopt a resolution for the 1st Reading of the following Revised Policies and Procedures:
- 5681 – School Safety Plans – Revised in light of amendments to Education Law Section 2801-a and 8 NYCRR Section 155.17. Education Law Section 2801-a was amended to require district-wide school safety teams to consider the installation of a panic alarm system as part of their review of the comprehensive district-wide school safety plan.
 - 6121 – Sexual Harassment in the Workplace – Revised in light of an amendment to Executive Law Section 295 which established a toll-free confidential hotline for complaints of workplace sexual harassment to provide counsel and assistance to individuals experiencing workplace sexual harassment.
 - 6215 – Probation and Tenure – Revised in light of an amendments to law which, among other things, exempt districts from having to complete an annual professional performance review (APPR) for any classroom teacher or building principal for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years.
 - 7350 - Corporal Punishment/Emergency Interventions – Revised in light of an amendment to Education Law Section 4402 which requires same-day notification of a parent r person in parental relation of a student with a disability when a physical or mechanical restraint is applied on the student.
 - 7522 – Concussion Management – Revised in light of the release of updated Guidelines for Concussion Management in Schools (July 2022) from the New York State Education Department.
 - 7530 – Child Abuse and Maltreatment – Revised in light of the amendment to Labor Law Section 740 which changed the term “retaliatory personnel action” to “retaliatory action” and amended the definition of the term.

