



**Newfane Central School District  
Board of Education**

**NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

**MARCH 1, 2022**

The March 1, 2022 meeting of the Newfane Board of Education was held in room 129 of the Early Childhood Center. The meeting was called to order by Board President Lingle at 7:00 pm.

**CALL TO ORDER**

A. Kennedy, M. Lingle, J. Schmitt, S. Tomasine, E. Oudette, M. Stefanoski  
A. Casinelli,  
M. Baumann, K. Klumpp, D. Hawkins, K. Crombie, P. Young

**TRUSTEES PRESENT  
TRUSTEE EXCUSED  
OTHERS PRESENT**

The District Mission Statement was read by Trustee Tomasine.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
and  
DISTRICT MISSION  
STATEMENT**

Motion made by Trustee Kennedy and seconded by Trustee Oudette  
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for March 1, 2022 be approved.  
Resolution Carried:       6 YES       0 NO

**ESTABLISH ORDERS OF  
THE DAY**  
Approved the  
agenda

There were no comments at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**BUDGET UPDATE:**

Superintendent Baumann outlined the tax levy for clarity of what it is and potential impact on homeowners. The Board of Education will need to determine what percentage will be applied. A line item budget was requested for the board to reference.

**PRESIDENT REPORT:**

President Lingle wished the Boys Basketball team good luck in the game tomorrow. She inquired as the any updated graduation plans, information is still pending per Mr. Baumann. President Lingle also asked for more information on the head start lease and use of the NECC building.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Mr. Baumann updated the board on the following items:

COVID – per Niagara County Health Commissioner, the county is looking good with numbers. In district no students are out and only 1 faculty member is out.

On March 2, masks become optional. Mask wearing is allowed but not mandated. No other protocols have been changed in district. Mr. Baumann reiterated some of the protocols that are still in place.

The Musical is next weekend. March 11, 12, 13 – “Little Shop of Horrors”.

Mr. Baumann reminded the board that the MOA related to CSEA and the nurse will be on the agenda for March 15, 2022. Please ask any questions that you would like answered prior to that meeting.

Capital Project – reminder that the ground breaking is at 5 pm on March 15 at the High School. The board meeting will be held in the Middle School Auditorium for convenience after the event.

Mr. Baumann asked that the board start thinking about how they wish to name the new stadium. Suggestions were made to offer a submission tool for the district, students and community to participate.

The draft goals were shared for the boards review with more discussion to take place to refine in the future.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Trustee Tomasine shared that the Scholarship Committee (Trustees Tomasine, Kennedy and Stefanoski) met before this meeting to discuss the intent and criteria for the Board of Education Scholarship award. One goal is to encourage more students to apply and be eligible for the scholarship. More discussion is needed before finalizing the rubric.

Trustee Oudette updated the board on the athletic committee/dual sports discussion. The conversation was good and the committee is moving towards continuing the pilot with some regulations in place all to support the students and sport programs.

Trustee Kennedy reminded the board that the NOSBA “Perspective Board Member” event will take place on April 2 right here at NECC. 8:30 – 11am. She also updated the board of the Health and Safety Committee meeting which continues to focus on the multi-faceted needs of the students.

President Lingle mentioned that the audit committee will meet at the Middle School on March 15 prior to the board meeting.

Trustee Oudette also shared that Jill Keys is organizing the “Clean up the Courtyard” event on April 4-6 from 2:30-3:10 pm those days.

**NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:**

The NTA was represented by C. Hurtgam, there was no report.

**The following items were reviewed by the Board of Education**

The Routine Order of Business was reviewed.

Meeting Minutes

Classification and placement of students

Monthly Treasurer’s Report (pending)

Monthly Budget Transfers Report (pending)

Monthly Capital Budget Status Report (pending)

Monthly Warrants (pending)

School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement

**ROUTINE ORDER OF  
BUSINESS**

The Personnel Order of Business was reviewed.

Retirement, NTA

Retirement, CSEA (2)

Assistant Cook position

Field Experience, students

Unpaid Coach

**PERSONNEL ORDER OF  
BUSINESS**

Administrative Assistant position  
Groundsperson position  
Custodial positions

The New Order of Business was reviewed.  
Participation in the Wrestling Championship Tournament  
Participation in Robotics Competitions (2)  
Budget Vote and Election resolutions – Inspectors and Notices  
2022-2023 District Calendar  
Scholastic Achievement Recognition Dinner  
Internal Audit  
Reading supplies and materials for the CKLA program  
Collective Bargaining Agreement, NTA

**NEW ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Middle School parent, Donna Tate, addressed the Board of Education regarding changes at the Middle School due to behavior issues. Ms. Tate sent the board trustees a letter for their review outlining the “Culture Change” that is taking place at the Middle School due to these decisions. John Duerstler shared his view on discipline practices at the Middle School and the leadership.

**CONCLUDING ORDERS OF BUSINESS**

Public comments

This time was used for trustees to share information without action.

Anything for the “good of the order”

- Budget Presentation

Presentations for the next meeting

Motion made by Trustee Oudette and seconded by Trustee Kennedy MOVED, that the Board of Education enter into executive session to discuss specific legal items, a specific personnel item and Newfane Administrative Council Negotiations.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Resolution Carried:        6 YES        0 NO  
Recessed at: 8:55 pm    Reconvened at: 9:44 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Trustee Oudette and seconded by Trustee Kennedy MOVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.  
Resolution Carried:        6 YES        0 NO  
Meeting adjourned at: 9:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Seymour  
District Clerk