



**Newfane Central School District
Board of Education**

NEWFANE BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 15, 2022

The February 15, 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 7:02 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

A. Casinelli, A. Kennedy, M. Lingle, E. Oudette, J. Schmitt, M. Stefanoski, S. Tomasine
M. Baumann, G. Noon, D. Hawkins, A. Chaffee, P. Young
Remote: identified - C. Flynn, L. Fletcher, A. Reynolds, J. Woolson, C. Gerstung

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 Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Kennedy
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for February 15, 2022 be approved as amended.

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

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

There were no comments at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BUDGET PRESENTATION: Superintendent Baumann shared with the Board of Education the updated terms of the budget development, the current status, fiscal goals, review of components and long-term budget goals.

PRESIDENT REPORT:

President Lingle mentioned appreciation for the early budget discussion, transparency in the discussion and long-term planning discussions. She also thanked the board and superintendent for meeting early to hold a goal setting workshop session.

There is a lot going on and so many great things in the district.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Baumann updated the Board of Education on the following:
COVID – County update includes 185 active cases, 9 deaths, the county still feels that hospitalizations are higher than they would like. There is not much guidance on masks mandates at this time. The hope is that it is coming to an end and that the decisions will be given to the districts in the near future.
February 21 is the pending expiration date for the current mandate.

Superintendent Baumann said that he is in favor of dropping the mandates for schools with the understanding that masks would not be required but strongly encouraged. The Board of Education agreed with this stance and at the next meeting would consider the resolution for policy on the issue to be considered.

Capital Outlay Project – The Middle School project has been SED approved so bleachers will be removed during spring break, conditions will be made safe for class use until the renovations in June.

High School Student Update – Many students did very well in music with all state, congratulations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: There were no reports at this meeting.

NEWFANE TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:

The NTA was represented by L. Fletcher, they are all looking forward to the 5- year contract agreement

The Routine Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed separately in the minutes.

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, that the minutes of the January 18, 2022 and February 1, 2022 meetings of the Board of Education be and are approved.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

ROUTINE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approved meeting minutes
Encl. 2022.02.15.8A

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon reviewing the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education will arrange for the appropriate special education programs and services to be provided for meetings held as listed in Enclosure 2022.02.15.8B.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved the classification and placement of students
Encl. 2022.02.15.8B

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Treasurer’s Monthly Report for the period of November 2021.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted and file the Monthly Treasurer’s report
Encl. 2022.02.15.8C

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Monthly Budget Transfers Report for the period of January 2022.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Monthly Budget Transfers Report
Encl. 2022.02.15.8D

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept and file the Monthly Capital Budget Status Report for the period ending January 2022.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted and filed the Monthly Capital Budget Status Report
Encl. 2022.02.15.8E

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the Board of Education accept and file the following Warrant Reports
for the period of January 2022.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted and filed the
Monthly Warrants
Encl. 2022.02.15.8F

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the Board of Education accept and file the School Lunch Profit and Loss
Statement for the period of December 2021.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved the school
lunch profit and loss
statement
Encl. 2022.02.15.8G

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the Board of Education accept and file the Quarterly Student Activity
Funds Report for period ending December 2021.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted and filed the
Quarterly Appropriation
Status reports
Encl. 2022.02.15.8H

The Personnel Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed
separately in the minutes (9D removed)

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the probationary appointment of Donald Budziszewski, Grounds Person,
be discontinued and his employment with the District terminated effective
February 4, 2022, close of business.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

**PERSONNEL ORDER OF
BUSINESS**

Termination of D.
Budziszewski,
probationary grounds
person
Encl. 2022.02.15.9A

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the Board of Education appoint Aimee Chaffe, Middle School Dean of
Students (10-month position), to the position of Summer Program
Coordinator, to oversee and coordinate the 2022 summer instruction
program offerings throughout the District. Compensation will be per diem
(1/200th of her contractual salary) not to exceed thirty-two (32) days.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointed A. Chaffee,
Summer Program
Coordinator
Encl. 2022.02.15.9B

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Susan Klock from her
Account Clerk, Secretary to the Business Office position effective February 6,
2022 at the close of business, and;

FURTHER RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of
Schools, that Susan Klock residing in Newfane, New York, be and is
appointed to a 1.0 FTE Instructional Associate position, effective February 7,
2022, with a probationary period of February 7, 2022 through May 6, 2022
at a rate of \$15.02 per hour according to the terms and conditions of the
CSEA bargaining agreement.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Accepted the resignation
of S. Klock and
subsequently appointed
to Instructional Associate
Encl. 2022.02.15.9C

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education confirm and authorize he recommendation for the following advanced mentor for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year, as determined by the Building Principal and Superintendent of Schools at \$825.00 prorated per the NTA Agreement, Appendix G.

Appointed C. Hart,
Advanced Mentor
Encl. 2022.02.15.9E

Christopher Hart – Music Education to mentor Cameron Seib HS Long Term Music Substitute.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following extracurricular club and organization operate for the 2021-2022 school year and that the following advisors be and are appointed according to provisions of Appendix C, Co-Curricular Stipends, of the Newfane Teacher’s Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Approved T. Kam,
Extracurricular Advisor
Encl. 2022.02.15.9F

High School after school supervision: Teresa Kam

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following individuals as substitutes in the district as noted:

Approved district
personnel
Encl. 2022.02.15.9G

Katelyn Bouchard – Non-Certified Substitute Teacher, effective January 14, 2022

Maura Bull – Certified Substitute Teacher, effective February 15, 2022

Deanna Luckman – Certified Substitute Teacher, effective February 15, 2022

Ann Roberts – Substitute Cafeteria Monitor, effective January 19, 2022

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following individuals, be and are approved as unpaid assistants for the 2021-22 school year in the sport noted, with the understanding that unpaid assistants are to work under the direct supervision of the Head Coach and that at no time are they to supervise students unattended.

Approved unpaid
coaching assistants
Encl. 2022.02.15.9H

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>SPORT</u> |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Maura Bull | Varsity Softball |
| Tyler Gugliuzza | Varsity Baseball |
| Resolution Carried: | 7 YES 0 NO |

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the following individuals, be and are approved as an unpaid Practicum
Students as noted:

Christopher Conway – Niagara University School of Psychology, effective
January 24, 2022 with Kim Sorrentino School Psychologist

Zachary Weller – Niagara University School of Psychology, effective
January 31, 2022 with Dr. Elizabeth Botzer School Psychologist

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved practicum
students
Encl. 2022.02.15.9I

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Schmitt
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the following individuals, be and are approved as unpaid students,
participating in field work, in affiliation with Niagara University as noted,
effective January 31, 2022.

Katelyn Rakfeldt with Tammy Roy, Reading Teacher

Zachary Long with Wendy Geise, Business Teacher

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved student field
placement
Encl. 2022.02.15.9J

The New Order of Business was voted on by consensus to be listed
separately in the minutes

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Varsity Wrestling Team,
including individuals listed in the enclosure (which may be amended),
coaches and chaperones to participate in the NYSPHSAA State Duel Meet
Wrestling Championship being held the SRC Arena at Onondaga Community
College in Syracuse, New York , January 28, 2022 through January 29, 2022
and,

RESOLVED, that all students will travel with and be chaperoned by coaches.

RESOLVED, that prior to the scheduled trip, the coach/Athletic Director will
provide to the High School Principal a full and complete itinerary, player list,
chaperone list, and related details.

RESOLVED, that a field trip request form be completed and the standard
release forms be executed for each player and coach in attendance and that
same be delivered to the Principal prior to departure.

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the
Board approves the expenses as outlined in Enclosure 2022.02.15.10A

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

NEW ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approved participation
in a Wrestling
Championship
Encl. 2022.02.15.9A

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Chanceton Puinno, Athletic Director, Ryan Keys and Charles Nagel, High
School teachers and Football coaches, attend the NYS High School Football
Coaches Association Football Clinic at the Turning Stone Resort and
Conference Center in Verona, New York, traveling February 3-6, 2022, also
are approved the associated expenses, as presented in enclosure
2022.02.15.10B.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved a conference,
Football clinic
Encl. 2022.02.15.9B

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the items listed in Enclosure 2022.02.15.10C and appended to this
resolution be and are declared excess property, and;
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, or his designee, be
and is authorized to dispose said items.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Declared Excess Property
Encl. 2022.02.15.9C

Motion made by Trustee Tomasine and seconded by Trustee Casinelli
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the superintendent of schools,
that the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the
Superintendent of Schools and the Newfane Teachers' Association
establishing a "retirement notification incentive" for the 2021-2022 school
year.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approved a MOA with
the Newfane Teacher's
Association
Encl. 2022.02.15.9D

Two topics were discussed during public comments:
Middle School Lunch changes to include L.E.T.: Students presented the Board
of Education with signs, information, and concerns related to the recent
change in the structure of the lunch period back to including the L.E.T.
portion. The students voiced concern over the lack of sufficient time to eat,
lack of social opportunity in the day, peers feeling isolated because of the
change. The student whom included Kimberly Schmitt, Elianna Reis, Jayde
Jerge and Colin Mahar were concerned that they felt that they had no
warning of the change, that students are not responding well to the change,
that they are being punished for others bad behavior and that their voices
are not being heard. Parents in attendance supported their students
concerns.

**CONCLUDING ORDERS
OF BUSINESS**
Public comments

Michelle Despard, parent of an Elementary Student voiced concern over
bullying in the district, outlined her experience and asked for accountability
for actions taken on school grounds. She indicated that she followed the
chain of communication and would like to see the district make a change for
the students.
These were opinions of the speakers shared at the meeting, not transcribed.

This time was used for trustees to share information without action.
Board Trustees thanked the students and parents for attending the meeting
and sharing their concerns.

Anything for the "good
of the order"

- Scholarship Committee Update

**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
a legal matter and specific personnel item.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Recessed at: 8:37 pm Reconvened at: 9:38 pm

Executive Session

Motion made by Trustee Casinelli and seconded by Trustee Kennedy
MOVED, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Meeting adjourned at: 9:39 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Seymour
District Clerk