

The regular meeting of the Worcester Central School District Board of Education was held on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at Worcester Central School, Worcester Central School, Worcester, New York.

MEMBERS PRESENT: William Fisher II, President, Michelle Francis, Vice President, Stacey Serdy, and Tanya Shalor

MEMBERS ABSENT: Peter Kwiatkowski

OTHERS PRESENT: Timothy Gonzales, Superintendent, Noelle Jackman, Elementary Principal, Melissa Leonard, Secondary Principal, Gary Pochkar, Annette Southworth, Harold Southworth, Shannon Hunt, Patricia Coursen, Dody Lindberg, Wendy Burton, Jessica Head, Thomas E. Head, Amanda Owen, Kurtis Owen, Chriss Odell, Caitlin Stroosnyder, Michelle Holcomb, Lorelle Walsh, Jessica Jester, Garrett Jester, Lyz Mortati, John Zaengle, Theresa Walsh, and Wendy Elliott

At 6:33 p.m. William Fisher, President, called the meeting to order with a quorum present. Pledge of Allegiance recited. CALL TO ORDER

Motion made by Mrs. Francis, seconded by Mrs. Shalor to approve the agenda. AGENDA

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried

Faculty and Staff Sharing:

There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

Motion made by Mrs. Francis, seconded by Mrs. Shalor to go into executive session at 6:34 p.m. to discuss: the medical and employment history of particular people. Mr. Gonzales was invited into executive session. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis to return to the business of the regular meeting at 6:47 p.m. RECONVENE

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried

Consent Agenda Items:

Motion made by Mrs. Serdy, seconded by Mrs. Shalor, to approve the following Consent Agenda items: CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes – August 12, 2020 Regular Meeting;
- Treasurer’s Report – August 2020.

Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried

Public to be Heard:

Community members addressed the Board about in session time versus screen time when remote, students returning to school for in person learning, COVID testing, safety protocols and procedures, staff children at school during remote learning, grading, offsite (satellite) locations, survey, maximum occupancy, wearing masks and 6 feet distancing in the school building and during transportation, transportation, self-transport, internet service and transmission, daycare in the community, how to help and support school, substitute cleaner, and thanked the Board for supporting the trap shooting clay target team.

Action Required:

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby regretfully accept the resignation of Megan Soule-Oneto as a teacher of elementary education and special education, effective September 1, 2020.

MEGAN SOULE-  
ONETO  
RESIGNATION

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Serdy, seconded by Mrs. Shalor.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby regretfully accept the resignation of Roger Baker as Bus Driver, effective August 13, 2020.

ROGER BAKER  
RESIGNATION

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the request of Samantha Fedor who serves in the position of Elementary Teacher for a leave of absence for maternity leave effective on or around October 26, 2020 through February 2, 2021. Mrs. Fedor's leave will be paid (general leave days) for a period of forty days and will continue unpaid for a period of twenty days.

SAMANTHA FEDOR  
LEAVE OF  
ABSENCE –  
MATERNITY LEAVE

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Serdy, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the tenure appointment of Jenifer Fisher as a Licensed Teaching Assistant effective November 11, 2020.

JENIFER FISHER  
LTA  
TENURE

Ayes 3                      Nays 0                      Abstain 1 (Fisher)                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Serdy, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Dawn Handy and Alison Gridley as the CROP Site Co-Coordinators for the 2020-2021 school year, to be paid at a rate of \$25.75 per hour.

DAWN HANDY  
ALISON GRIDLEY  
CROP SITE CO-  
COORDINATORS  
2020-2021

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Francis, seconded by Mrs. Shalor.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Lauralynn Meiser as a CROP Activity Leader for the 2020-2021 school year, to be paid at a rate of \$17.50 per hour.

LAURALYNN  
MEISER  
CROP ACTIVITY  
LEADER 2020-2021

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Serdy.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby accept the Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period August 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020, as presented.

CLAIMS AUDITOR  
EXCEPTION  
REPORTS

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby authorize a budget transfer of \$10,000.00 from 9711-710-00 Bonds- Building Project Interest to 9711-610-00 Bonds Principal-Building Project Principal.

BUDGET  
TRANSFER

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve a donation of \$1,000 from New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal, along with a corresponding increase to the 2020-2021 budget under code A1010-400-000 Board of Education-Contractual. This donation was made to offset the opening day conference luncheon expense.

ACCEPTANCE OF  
DONATION AND  
BUDGETARY  
INCREASE

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, By the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

RETENTION AND  
DISPOSITION  
SCHEDULE FOR  
NEW YORK LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT  
RECORDS (LGS-1)

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

(a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein;

(b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby declare the items presented as surplus items, to be disposed of, and to be removed from the master inventory list. SURPLUS ITEMS

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Serdy.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby approve the CSE/CPSE recommendations, as presented for students: #2225, #3704, and #3808. CPSE/CSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby approve the capital project payment, as presented. CAPITAL PROJECT PAYMENT PERIOD ENDING 7/31/2020  
Upstate Companies I, LLC (No. 1 – General Construction) Period ending 7/31/2020 \$21,737.60

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Francis.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Worcester Central School District, does hereby approve the Audit Committee recommendation to accept the 2019-2020 audited basic financial statements, the 2019-2020 audited extra classroom activity fund financial report, and the auditor communications as presented by the external auditors, Bryans & Gramuglia CPAs, LLC. EXTERNAL AUDIT

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Principal Reports:

Mrs. Jackman reported to the Board about elementary level news and information.

Mrs. Leonard reported to the Board about secondary level news and information.

Board Member and/or Superintendent Items:

Mr. Gonzales reported to the Board about COVID-19 and the 2020-2021 school year, provided a merger committee update, discussion was held about eligibility and academic support, the 2020-2021 goals will be continued from 2019-2020 and navigate COVID-19 this school year, and there was discussion held about the 8<sup>th</sup> grade acceleration.

Informational:

The August 2020 bus mileage reports were given to board members for their review.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Motion made by Mrs. Shalor, seconded by Mrs. Serdy to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. ADJOURN

Ayes 4                      Nays 0                      Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Elliott, District Clerk

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