

**SOUTH JEFFERSON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ADAMS, NEW YORK 13605
BOARD OF EDUCATION- REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 24, 2018**

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Todd Dack, Kelly Davis, Erin Gardner, Randy Jerome, Pamela Thomas, Justin VanCoughnett

TRUSTEES ABSENT: James Juczak

ALSO PRESENT: Mary Beth Denny, Superintendent of Schools
Scott Slater, Assistant Superintendent for Programs
Cora Harvey, School Business Administrator
Michelle L. Jaques, District Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: SJCS D Administrators: Jon Christopher, Rebecca Dalrymple,
Karen Denny, Jeff Ginger, Jim Pelton

CALL TO ORDER

President Dack called the regular meeting of the South Jefferson Central School District Board of Education to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Board of Education Room in the Wilson Elementary School and led the Board of Education and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Trustee Jerome and seconded by Trustee Davis to approve the agenda as amended.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Thomas and seconded by Trustee Davis to approve the Board of Education minutes of the regular meeting held on January 10, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

PUBLIC FORUM

No comments.

PRINCIPALS' BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Rebecca Dalrymple and Jim Pelton provided detailed information regarding the Wilson Elementary School. Included in the information were building highlights and accomplishments, considerations for the upcoming school year, and equipment desired for the upcoming school year. Discussion followed. Jeff Ginger provided detailed information regarding the Mannsville Elementary School. Included in the information were highlights and accomplishments, considerations for the upcoming school year, and equipment desired for the upcoming school year. Discussion followed. Jon Christopher and Karen Denny provided detailed information regarding the Clarke Middle and High School. Included in the information were highlights and accomplishments, considerations for the upcoming school year, and equipment desired for the upcoming school year. Discussion followed.

DEPARTURES

Rebecca Dalrymple departed the meeting at 6:13 p.m. Jon Christopher, Karen Denny, Jeff Ginger, and Jim Pelton departed the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

OPT OUT RESOLUTION

Information regarding Real Property Tax Law §487 was included in the Board packet and reviewed by the Board. Discussion followed.

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Gardner, and seconded by Trustee Thomas:

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law §487 provides that certain solar or wind energy systems or farm waste energy systems are exempt from real property taxation for a period of fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law §487 further provides that effective January 1, 2018, certain micro-hydroelectric energy systems, fuel cell electric generating systems, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment systems and electric energy storage equipment and electric energy storage systems are exempt from real property taxation for a period of fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law §487 permits a school district to adopt a resolution providing that the exemption under Real Property Tax Law §487 shall not apply within its jurisdiction to such energy system projects which begin construction subsequent to the effective date of such resolution.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires to adopt a resolution opting out of the tax exemption under Real Property Tax Law §487.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The tax exemption made available by Real Property Tax Law §487 shall not be applicable within the boundaries of the South Jefferson Central School District with respect to any solar or wind energy systems or farm waste energy systems constructed subsequent to the date of this Resolution.
2. The tax exemption made available by Real Property Tax Law §487 shall not be applicable within the boundaries of the South Jefferson Central School District with respect to any micro-hydroelectric energy systems, fuel cell electric generating systems, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment systems and electric energy storage equipment and electric energy storage systems constructed subsequent to the date of this Resolution.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

Yes 6 No 0

The Resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

POLICY MANUAL UPDATE DISCUSSION

Superintendent Denny provided an update regarding the current policy manual. Other policy services are available to the District. Discussion followed.

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVAL

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee Thomas and seconded by Trustee Gardner to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby agree to provide the arrangement of services as included in the Individual Education Plans and/or evaluation summary as recommended by the Committee on Special Education or Committee on Preschool Education for students #14602, 12537, 17452, 15465, and 17054.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

DISTRICT UPDATES/ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Information regarding a Bone Marrow Drive for a student was presented. Superintendent Denny provided information regarding the possibility of Telemedicine with the North Country Family Health Center for expanded services to the Clarke Building. She also provided information regarding the upcoming Retiree Breakfast Meeting, morning open gym requests, and the Jeff-Lewis School Boards Association Legislative Breakfast. Discussion followed.

OVERNIGHT TRIP REQUEST APPROVAL

An overnight trip request from the Varsity Boys Lacrosse Team to travel to Springfield, Massachusetts on April 24 through April 27, 2018, to provide students the opportunity to visit colleges, compete with other opponents, and for team building was included in the Board packet and reviewed by the Board. Discussion followed.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee VanCoughnett and seconded by Trustee Davis to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby approve the overnight trip request from the Varsity Boys Lacrosse Team as presented to the Board and at no cost to the district.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

INCREASE IN HOURS- SCHOOL MONITOR

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee Thomas and seconded by Trustee Gardner to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby approve the increase in hours for Jessica Mesler's position as school monitor from 5.75 hours per day to 7 hours per day effective January 29, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENT- ELEMENTARY TEACHER

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee VanCoughnett and seconded by Trustee Gardner to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby appoint Julianne Porter to the full-time, four-year probationary appointment of Elementary Teacher effective February 26, 2018, with a salary at Step 1 of the negotiated agreement and credit for 42 graduate hours and a Master’s degree.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENT- FORMAL MENTOR

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee Thomas and seconded by Trustee Davis to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby appoint Lindsey Parish to the position of Formal Mentor for the second semester of the 2017-2018 school year.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENTS- INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE ADDENDUM

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee Gardner and seconded by Trustee VanCoughnett to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby approve the instructional substitute list for the 2017-2018 school year as presented to the Board and as follows and in accordance with the fingerprinting and background clearance requirements:

- Fred Piche* (certified)Special Education
- Vicky Thomas* (uncertified)..... MST, Education
- Cassy Wharram* (uncertified).....AAS, Mechanic Design/Drafting; AAS, Web Dev/Info Design

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENTS- SUPPORT STAFF SUBSTITUTE ADDENDUM

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee Thomas and seconded by Trustee Davis to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby approve the support staff substitute list for the 2017-2018 school year as presented to the Board and as follows and in accordance with the fingerprinting and background clearance requirements:

- Donna Hosley* bus monitor
- Daisy Overton* food service helper
- Eric Eibert* cleaner
- Cassy Wharram* school monitor

APPOINTMENTS- SUPPORT STAFF SUBSTITUTE ADDENDUM (Continued)

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

BANK RFP RECOMMENDATION

School Business Administrator Harvey provided information regarding the bank RFP service requests. She also provided information regarding an investment opportunity with NY Class. Discussion followed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Trustee VanCoughnett and seconded by Trustee Thomas to enter into Executive Session for the purpose discussing personnel.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried Time: 7:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Gardner and seconded by Trustee Thomas to exit Executive Session.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried Time: 8:10 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee Jerome to adjourn the meeting.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried Time: 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Jaques
District Clerk