

**SOUTH JEFFERSON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ADAMS, NEW YORK 13605
BOARD OF EDUCATION- BUDGET/REGULAR MEETING, MAY 7, 2018**

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Todd Dack, Kelly Davis, Randy Jerome, James Juczak, Pamela Thomas, Justin VanCoughnett

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Erin Gardner

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: Anna Bica, Aurelia Bica, Kathy Montgomery

CALL TO ORDER

President Dack called the regular meeting of the South Jefferson Central School District Board of Education to order at 6:00 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 Thomas and seconded by Trustee Davis to approve the agenda.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee VanCoughnett to approve the Board of Education minutes of the regular meeting held on April 18, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

HEARING FOR THE 2018-2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

Superintendent Denny and School Business Administrator Harvey presented the final proposed 2018-2019 budget totaling \$34,380,186. Information reviewed included budget phases, district effectiveness, fiscal efficiency, a budget overview, revenues and expenses, budget increases for people and safety and security, guiding priorities, and district priorities. Discussion followed. The budget will also include a bus proposition, library proposition, and Board member election. The incumbent candidate running for one seat is Todd Dack. Trustee Dack was introduced and provided background information about himself. The budget election/vote will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Clarke High School Auditorium. The budget hearing portion of the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM

No comments.

BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

Superintendent Denny presented the Board Excellence Award to Trustee Dack from the New York State School Boards Association's *School Board U* Recognition Program. Trustee Dack earned this honor by participating in leadership development opportunities through the School Boards Association. Superintendent Denny congratulated Trustee Dack on this achievement. Trustee Gardner earned the Board Achievement Award and will be presented to her at the next meeting.

FFA STATE CONVENTION SPEECH PRESENTATION

Anna Bica presented her FFA State Convention speech on immigration reform. The Board thanked Anna and wished her best of luck at the convention.

DEPARTURES

Anna Bica, Aurelia Bica, and Kathy Montgomery departed the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

THERAPY DOG POLICY DISCUSSION

The Board reviewed information regarding therapy dogs in the classroom and discussed the possibility of creating a policy regarding therapy dogs in the classroom. More information will be presented at the next Board meeting.

2017-2018 CALENDAR CHANGE APPROVAL

Superintendent Denny reviewed with the Board her recommendation for the use of unused emergency/snow days. Friday, May 25 will be a day off for all students and all employees provided no emergency/snow days occur between now and then. Friday, June 22 will be used to release elementary students a day early and will be a day off for 10-month support staff.

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby approve the use of two emergency/snow days: one day will be used to extend the Memorial Day weekend; Friday, May 25 will be a day off for all students and all staff provided no emergency/snow days occur before then and Friday, June 22 will be used to release elementary students a day early and will be a day off for 10-month support staff.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVAL

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion was made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee Juczak 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 #17029, 16343, 16554, 12271, 17171, 17421, 17176, 17244, 17106, 16875, 16677, 17320, 14762, 16732, and 16710.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

DISTRICT UPDATES/ITEMS OF INFORMATION

The Jefferson-Lewis School Board Annual Dinner Meeting invitation, an upcoming calendar of events, the 2018-2019 budget newsletter, and BOCES budget results were in the Board packet and reviewed by the Board. Superintendent Denny provided information regarding recent concerts and events, the mass casualty drill with the South Jefferson Rescue Squad and other local emergency responders, vacant positions and advertising, turf field sample suggestions, and a NYSUT newspaper article. She also stated that the Minkler Road discussion would continue in June. Discussion followed.

RETIREMENT- SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby accept the resignation for retirement request from Madeline Felice from her position as Special Education Teacher effective June 30, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

RETIREMENT- ENGLISH TEACHER

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby accept the resignation for retirement request from Susan Tague-Smith from her position as English Teacher effective September 28, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

RESIGNATION- SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Jefferson Central School District does hereby accept the resignation request from Ashley Buckley from her position as School Psychologist effective August 31, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENTS- INSTRUCTIONAL 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 instructional substitute list for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year as presented to the Board and as follows and in accordance with the fingerprinting and background clearance requirements:

Elizabeth Connors (uncertified) BS, Math 5/20

APPOINTMENTS- INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE ADDENDUM (Continued)

Kathleen Hannon (certified)..... Special Education, N-6
Elisabeth Roberts (uncertified)..... BS, International Business & Marketing

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENT- 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 remainder of the 2017-2018 school year as presented to the Board and as follows and in accordance with the fingerprinting and background clearance requirements:

Nancy Murphy school monitor

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

APPOINTMENT- VOLUNTEER

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 following volunteer for the 2017-2018 school year:

Jim Daniels..... Trap Club Range Safety Officer

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

STOP-LOSS INSURANCE RENEWAL APPROVAL

School Business Administrator Harvey provided insurance recommendations for aggregate and specific stop-loss insurance renewal. Discussion followed.

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 accept the renewal with HCC Life, a Stop-Loss Concept (SLC) company, for stop-loss insurance for the group health insurance trust effective July 1, 2018.

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried

ADJOURNMENT

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

Yes 6 No 0 Motion: Carried Time: 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Jaques
District Clerk