Special Meeting in-person and Zoom

August 26, 2020

The special meeting of the Board of Education was held in-person and via ZOOM live videoconference. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Board President Kellenbenz and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Board Members Coons, DelPozzo, Kellenbenz, Lincoln, Olsson, Provan, Repko, Superintendent Brown, and District Clerk Anderson.

ABSENT: None

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| Board Member Lincoln made a motion to amend the Agenda to include Consent Agenda Item II. c., Personnel Non-Action Item III. a., and Superintendent Action Item IV. a, seconded by Board Member Provan, and carried 7 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions.  Board President Kellenbenz opened the floor to Mr. Luis Rodriguez of the Palombo Group and Mr. David Sammel of CPL. Mr. Sammel gave an update on the Capital Project, which entailed the following: site work coming along, security booth almost complete, front door coming in next week, auditorium seating 80% complete, all flooring needs to be completed. Board Members pleased with addition after their walk-through before the board meeting. Mr. Rodriguez informed the Board of Education that he would send current pictures of the Capital Project to Superintendent Brown so they can be shared with the community. Mr. Rodriguez also informed the Board of Education that within the next couple of weeks the finishing touches will come together, and they are ahead of the original schedule. The budget is extremely tight, so will work with contractors for concessions. Mr. Rodriguez also mentioned that the playing fields can be used in the fall of 2021.  Board Member Coons made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda Items as listed, seconded by Board Member Olsson, and carried 7 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions: II. a. Approve salary increase for Amy Sellers-Brekke from $57,124.00 to $57,430.00 (for 3 additional credits earned); b. Accept lowest transportation bid for door to door transportation for a student attending a special education program at the Taconic Hills Central School District for the 2020-2021 school year: $259.10 per day/with Monitor (if needed) an additional $105.00 per day; c. Approve the Shared Services Agreement by and between Taconic Hills Central School District, Hudson City School District and Germantown Central School District to transport students to the Tech Valley High School for the 2020-2021 school year; d. Accept letter of resignation from Heather Billington, Spanish Teacher, effective September 15, 2020; e. Approve long-term sick leave of Jeanne Oliveira, Math Teacher, effective through the end of the 1st semester of the 2020-2021 school year; f. Accept letter of resignation from Kasey Shumway, Library Aide, effective September 3, 2020.  Board Member Lincoln made a motion to adopt the following Resolution, seconded by Board Member Provan, and carried 7 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions:  **“BE IT RESOLVED,** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Germantown Central School District hereby appoints Lisa Shanley to the position of Attendance Aide (12 month part-time) in the non-competitive class of Civil Service effective August 31, 2020 according to the agreement with the Germantown Support Association (GSA) and the Germantown Central School District at $12.68 per hour for 34 hours per week.”  Board President Kellenbenz opened the discussion of the Superintendent search. Board President Kellenbenz informed the Board of Education that she spoke to Dr. Cruz, District Superintendent who informed her that as of last week, there were thirteen applicants for the Superintendent of Schools position. Board President Kellenbenz will meet with Dr. Cruz September 1st and go over all applications. Board President Kellenbenz asked the Board of Education if September 16th and 17th were acceptable to conduct interviews. All agreed and set the time for 5:00 p.m. on September 16th and September 17th.  Board President Kellenbenz opened the floor to Superintendent Brown. Superintendent Brown presented the Board of Education with State aid reductions and her recommendation for the 2020-2021 school year (attached within the minutes of this meeting).  Board Member Provan made a motion to approve the updates to the Elementary School Code of Conduct and the Jr. Sr. High School Code of Conduct, seconded by Board Member Repko, and carried 7 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions.  Board Member Olsson made a motion to adjourn the Special meeting of the Board of Education at 7:36 p.m., seconded by Board Member Repko, and carried 7 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions.  Respectfully submitted,  Linda Anderson  District Clerk | **AMEND AGENDA**  **CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE**  **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**  **APPOINT ATTENDANCE AIDE – LISA SHANLEY**  **SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH**  **STATE AID REDUCTIONS**  **APPROVE ELEMENTARY AND JR. SR. HS CODES OF CONDUCT**  **ADJOURNMENT** |