

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Thousand Islands Board of Education
Tuesday, October 18, 2022
MS/HS Library**



Members Present: Tim (Tucker) Wiley Erik Swenson
 Carolyn Delaney Sarah Riddoch
 Shawn Cherchio Erin Churchill (Arrived 6:04)
 Jenny Bach Dan Ward (Arrived at 6:16)

Absent: Bruce Mason

Also present: Michael Bashaw, Jr., Superintendent
 Angela Picunas, Business Manager
 Kenny Garnsey, Director of Facilities
 Andrea Lomber, Executive Principal, Grades 6-12
 Daniel Hammond, Assistant Principal, Grades 6-12
 Lisa Freitag, Principal, Guardino Elementary School
 Chelsea Nohle, Principal, Bashaw Elementary School
 Jessica Steblen, BOE Secretary/District Clerk
 Melissa Balk, Thousand Islands' MS/HS Librarian and TIEA President

President Wiley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentations

Melissa Balk expressed gratitude and presented small gifts of appreciation to the Board of Education on behalf of TIEA, and Thousand Islands' students and staff.

Mr. Bashaw presented Certificates of Service and read Governor Hochul's Proclamation in honor of School Board Recognition Week.

Business, Finance and Property:

Motion by Erik Swenson, second by Carolyn Delaney, to approve the following:

- Approve Minutes of September 20, 2022 meeting.
- Approve SEQRA resolution for \$23,000,000 District-Wide Capital Improvement Project- enclosure.
- Approve Resolution for Capital Project Vote date of December 15, 2022 and Capital Project Vote Proposition for \$23,000,000 District-Wide Capital Improvement Project- enclosure.
- Approve Legal Notice for sale of 2016 Ford F350 Super Duty Regular Cab XL, including V Plow and Sander dated October 3, 2022 - enclosure.
- Acknowledge bids received for 2016 Ford F350 Super Duty Regular Cab XL, including V Plow and Sander with winning bid awarded to Phinney's Automotive/Matthew Phinney – enclosure.

After a short discussion, vote was taken; all voting aye.

7:0

Personnel:

Motion by Sarah Riddoch, second by Jenny Bach, to approve the following:

- Resignation of Kelly Cantwell, Bus Driver, for purpose of retirement with last date of employment being February 17, 2023.
- Acknowledge Resignation of Jules Flora, Teacher Aide, for purpose of Appointment as Teacher Assistant, effective August 31, 2022.

- Acknowledge Resignation of Lynne Hoover, Teacher Aide, for purpose of Appointment as Teacher Assistant, effective August 31, 2022.
- Appointment of Chris Gustafson as Teacher Aide at an hourly rate of \$15.50 for 7.0 hours per day with benefits consistent with the CSEA contract, effective September 26, 2022, with a 52-week probationary period, and acknowledgement of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Appointment of Sauliss Martinez as Teacher Aide at an hourly rate of \$14.22 for 7.0 hours per day with benefits consistent with the CSEA contract, effective September 26, 2022, with a 52-week probationary period, and acknowledgement of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Appointment of Luke McDermott as Substitute Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year, pending issuance of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Appointment of Substitute Teacher Aides for the 2022-2023 school year, and acknowledgment of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department: Sherri Burlingame, Hailey Cooley, and Hannah Cupernall.
- Appointment of Athena Angus as Substitute Food Service Worker, and acknowledgement of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Appointment of Sean Wright as Substitute Teacher Aide for the 2022-2023 school year pending issuance of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Appointment of Jerry Babcock as Substitute Cleaner for the 2022-2023 school year and acknowledgement of criminal clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Appointment of Lori Wiley as Clerical Substitute for the 2022-2023 school year, at a rate consistent with the Hourly Compensation Sheet.
- Revise 2nd year mentor for Brooke Carlisle, Social Studies, replacing Deb Babcock with Katie Varga for the 2022-2023 school year, at a stipend per TIEA contract.
- Appointment of 2nd year mentor Shannon Amo for Taylor Kieffer, PE, for the 2022-2023 school year, at a stipend per TIEA contract.
- Appointment of 2nd year mentor Suzanne Perkins for Joshua Ostrander, Special Education, for the 2022-2023 school year, at a stipend per TIEA contract.
- Appointment of 2022-2023 Coaching Staff, at a stipend per TIEA contract:
 1. Modified Girls Volleyball- Lynne Hoover (4)
 2. JV Boys Basketball – Quincy Aubertine (1), pending issuance of Criminal Clearance by the New York State Education Department.
- Acknowledge issuance of criminal clearance from the New York State Education Department for the following individuals: Delaney Aubertine, Jessica Lashomb, Sauliss Martinez, and Christina Robinson.
- Appointment of Miles Kearns as volunteer assistant coach for Boys Varsity Hockey for the 2022-2023 school year.

There was a short discussion about expectations and procedures for both mentors and teacher assistants.

President Wiley recognized Kelly Cantwell's exemplary and dedicated service to the bus garage and district.

After no further discussion, vote was taken; all voting aye.

8:0

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Bashaw discussed the possibility of upcoming dates for Public Hearing for the District-Wide Capital Improvement Project.

Superintendent Bashaw invited Melissa Balk to speak about Whiz Quiz since she is present and the club coordinator. She reported that our team will be competing against Salmon River in single elimination finals. This is her 16th year leading the club. Superintendent Bashaw asked administrators to report on the recent Superintendent's Day. Productive work at the Elementary levels included literacy trainings with breakout work sessions, while at the Sand Bay campus work was focused around grade and departmental levels looking at individualized student progression in preparing for Parent-Teacher conferences. Training was also coordinated through BOCES for Building Aides district wide in de-escalation and behavior management.

Students and Programs

Motion by Erik Swenson, second by Erin Churchill, to approve the following:

- Recommendations by Committee on Special Education for an amendment and meetings held on September 15, 2022, and October 6, 2022.
- Memorandum of Understanding between TICSD and USAG Fort Drum for the purpose of supplying STEM curriculum to local students- enclosure.

After no discussion, vote was taken; all voting aye. **8:0**

Motion by Sarah Riddoch, second by Jenny Bach, for the Board to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Vote was taken; all voting aye. The Board entered Executive Session at 7:14 p.m. **8:0**

The Board reconvened at 8:18 p.m.

Personnel

Motion by Carolyn Delaney, second by Jenny Bach, to approve the following:

- Administrators, Supervisory, Confidential Personnel, and Business Manager Salaries for the 2022-2023 school year, at rates presented- enclosures.
- Amendment to Superintendent Bashaw’s employment contract, pay increase from 2% to 3%- enclosure.

After no further discussion, vote was taken, all voting aye. **8:0**

Motion by Erik Swenson, second by Jenny Bach, to adjourn the meeting. Vote was taken; all voting aye. **8:0**

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Date

Clerk