

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Dunkirk Board of Education held via at the Large Group Instruction Room of the Dunkirk High School on May 18, 2022 at 8:30 A.M.

Members Present :

Mr. Kenneth Kozlowski; Mrs. Claudia Szczerbacki; Ms. Betsy Ramos; Mrs. Loretta Torain; Mr. Catalano

Members Absent:

None

Members Excused:

Mr. Robert Bankoski; Mrs. Julie Smith;

School Officials Present:

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Michael Mansfield
School Business Administrator Assistant: Debra McAvoy
Director of Buildings and Grounds: Mr. Timothy Abbey

Present Also: Three Administrators and staff

Regular Order of Business: Mr. Kozlowski called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM and Ms. Ramos called roll.

Mr. Kozlowski requested everyone stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Written Communications: None

Questions and Oral Communications of the Public Pertaining to this evening's agenda:
None

Report of the Superintendent of Schools: None

Presentation of Items for Board Action:

Request to Add:

Ms. Ramos **MOVED** the adoption of the following resolution; seconded by Mrs. Szczerbacki; approved unanimously:

5.1 Canvass of Votes:

Whereas, the inspectors of election with the assistance of the Chautauqua County Board of Elections appointed to serve for the Dunkirk City School District vote held in the City of Dunkirk on May 17, 2022, have delivered to the District Clerk of the Dunkirk City School District statements showing the results of the vote on “Proposition Number One: Shall the budget for the year 2022-2023 presented by the Board of Education in the amount of \$52,396,017.00 be approved?” and “Three members of the Board of Education for two, three-year terms and one, one year term” said election in said School District, and the Board of Education having canvassed the returns as contained in said statements and having tabulated the said statements and returns; now therefore, be it

Resolved, that it be and hereby is determined and declared that:

The total number of voters was 557 as recorded on the public counters and the absentee ballots.

1. The total number of votes cast for “Proposition Number One: Shall the budget for the year 2022-2023 presented by the Board of Education in the amount of \$52,396,017.00 be approved?” was as follows:

Yes: 450 No: 106 Blank: 01

2. The budget for the year 2022-2023 in the amount of \$52,396,017.00 is hereby approved.
3. The total number of votes cast for the Members of the Board of Education are as follows:

Stephen Helwig	378
Robert Bankoski	191
Lucas Catalano	314
Marcus Buchanan	348
Julie Smith	189
Joseph Hallmark	113

4. The said Stephen Helwig and Marcus Buchanan are therefore elected to the membership on the Board of Education for the terms of three (3) years effective July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025. Lucas Catalano is therefore elected to the membership on the Board of Education for the term of one (1) year effective May 18, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2023.

5. The Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to serve, within twenty-four (24) hours, notice upon the successful candidates, advising that they have been duly elected to the Board of Education.

Mr. Lucas Catalano, who was elected to the office of member of the Board of Education for a term of one year beginning May 18, 2022; was duly sworn into office by Tara Jakse, District Clerk, and signed the oath of office, which was properly executed and filed.

Mrs. Szczerbacki **MOVED** the adoption of the following resolution; seconded by Ms. Ramos; approved unanimously:

5.2 Board of Education Vote for Members to the Executive Committee for the Chautauqua County School Boards Association.

Whereas, there are four (4) vacancies on the Executive Committee for the Chautauqua County School Board Association to be filled at the annual election. These four (4) seats will be effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Whereas, the Board of Education of each component school district, by resolution, may cast one (1) vote per each vacancy to be filled; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Dunkirk City School District casts one (1) vote for each of the following candidates:

Sylvester Cleary, Forestville, NY
Jeanne Oag, Cassadaga, NY
Wendy Dymont, Westfield, NY
Kurt Gustafson, Southwestern, NY

Adjournment of Meeting: Mrs. Szczerbacki **MOVED** to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Torain carried unanimously at 8:42 AM