

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE DUNKIRK BOARD OF EDUCATION
HELD IN THE LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM AT THE HIGH SCHOOL,
August 30, 2021 AT 5:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. David Damico; Mrs. Julie Smith (Zoom); Mrs. Claudia Szczerbacki; Ms. Betsy Ramos(via zoom); Mr. Robert Bankoski

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Mr. Kenneth Kozlowski

SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Michael Mansfield
Director of Buildings and Grounds: Mr. Timothy Abbey

PRESENT ALSO: Eight Administrators and staff

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS: Mr. Damico called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM and Mrs. Smith called roll.

Mr. Damico 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 ITEMS: None

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Mr. Mansfield informed the Board that staff would be reporting on Wednesday and Thursday of the upcoming week for opening day inservices to prepare for students on Tuesday the 7th. Since the meeting last week, New York State Schools are now under a mask mandate, regardless of vaccination status. 20 minutes before this meeting, the NYS Department of Health released guidance. The website has been updated with links to Chautauqua County as well as contract information, the opening plan, and mask and distancing guidance. Masking is mandated for ages

2 and up, so anyone coming into the building will have to wear a mask, outdoors masking is recommended. For students riding the bus, they are required to wear a mask at all times. Mr. Mansfield then went over the protocols for quarantine and contact tracing. There will be no remote option to start the school year. If there is a change in operations, we are prepared and know what to do after last year.

For athletics, participants are encouraged to wear a mask unless they cannot tolerate it, and if they are on the bench they should be wearing a mask and distanced 3 ft apart. Mr. Bankoski asked if chaperones will be keeping an eye on spectator masks, and Mr. Mansfield responded that yes, they will be responsible for that.

PRESENTATION OF ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION:

REQUEST TO ADD:

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

5.1 New Hire Appointments

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the following individuals are hereby appointed to the listed positions below:

5.1.1 Civil Service Employees Association (CSEA): None

Item No.	Name	Residence	Position	Step	Grade	Months Worked	Hourly Salary	Annual Salary	Effective Date

5.1.2 Dunkirk Administrators Association (DAA): None

Item No.	Name	Residence	Position	Months Worked	Annual Salary	Effective Date

5.1.3 Dunkirk Teachers Association (DTA):

Item No.	Name	Residence	Position Tenure Area	Months Worked	Credits	Annual Salary	Effective Date
5.1.3a	Rachael Clark	Fredonia, NY	Elementary Teacher	10	B Step 1	\$43,500	September 1, 2021

Certification status:

The probationary period will be September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2025; to receive tenure, the individual must receive composite or overall APPR ratings of Effective or Highly Effective in at least three of the four preceding years.

5.1.3b	Emily Cole	Fredonia, NY	Elementary Teacher	10	B+36M Step 1	\$46,108	September 1, 2021
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Certification status:

The probationary period will be September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2025; to receive tenure, the individual must receive composite or overall APPR ratings of Effective or Highly Effective in at least three of the four preceding years.

5.1.4 Substitutes:

Item No.	Name	Residence	Position	Credits	Annual Salary	Daily or Long-term

5.1.5 Other: Athletics

Item No.	Name	Title	Effective Date Range
5.1.5a	Quinn Bankoski	Girls' Modified Soccer, Unpaid Assistant Coach	2021-2022 School Year
5.1.5b	Dakota Gardner	Modified Wrestling, Head Coach	2021-2022 School Year
5.1.5c	Michael Green	Boys' Modified Basketball, 7th and 8th Grade Head Coach	2021-2022 School Year

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

5.2 Acceptance of Resignations:

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the resignations, listed below:

Item No.	Action	Name	Position	Effective Date	Bargaining Unit
5.2.1	Resignation	Chief Warrant Officer 2, Paul Dustin	JROTC Instructor, High School	August 30, 2021	DTA
5.2.2	Resignation	Monica Young	Elementary Teacher, Intermediate School	September 24, 2021	DTA

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

5.3 Resolution Issuing SEQRA Negative Declaration and Approving Leases of Unneeded Real

Property and Accessibility Ramp:

Whereas, the Dunkirk City School District (the “District”) wishes to lease certain land and certain classrooms and other areas owned by the District and located at 752 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, NY 14048 and commonly known as School #4 (the “Property”) to the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Chautauqua County, Inc. and to the Campus and Community Children’s Center, Inc. pursuant to the terms of the certain individual lease agreement with each of the organizations (the “Leases”) presented to the Board of Education regarding reuses of portions of the Property to continue to serve the community; and

Whereas, the District also plans to construct an exterior accessibility ramp at the Property; and

Whereas, the District and the Board of Education (the “Board”) are the “Lead Agency” and an environmental review of this Unlisted Action regarding the reuses of portions of the Property pursuant to the Leases and for the construction of an accessibility ramp has been conducted pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”); and

Whereas, the District and the Board have duly considered the action, the Environmental Assessment Form, the criteria for determining whether the action will have a significant adverse impact on the environment as set forth in 6 N.Y.C.R.R § 617.7(c) of the SEQRA regulations, and such other information deemed appropriate; and

Whereas, the District and the Board have identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, have taken a hard look at these areas, and have made a reasoned elaboration of the basis for the determination under SEQRA;

Now, therefore be it resolved, by the Board that

1. The Unlisted Action of approving the Leases for the proposed reuses of portions of the Property and the construction of an accessibility ramp will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. The attached Negative Declaration, incorporated herein by reference, is issued and

adopted for the reasons stated in the attached Negative Declaration, and the Environmental Assessment Form is also incorporated herein by reference.

2. The District Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to sign and file all documents necessary to comply with SEQRA.
3. The portions of the Property subject to the Leases are not currently needed for District purposes and that the leasing of those portions of the Property is in the best interests of the District.
4. The Leases, in the forms presented for leasing portions of the Property, are approved subject to the conditions set forth in the Leases and in the related transactional documents.
5. The construction of an accessibility ramp is approved.
6. The District Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Leases and related transactional documents in substantially the form presented to this Board of Education (with such non-material amendments, additions or alterations as may be determined appropriate by the District's legal counsel), and is further authorized to do all things necessary to effectuate the intent and operation of the Leases and this Resolution; and
7. This Resolution is effective immediately.

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

5.4 Appointment of School Business Administrator Assistant:

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Employment Agreement between the Dunkirk City School District and the School Business Administrator Assistant, Debra McAvoy, who is not represented by any bargaining unit in this position, be established as presented to the Board of Education, effective September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

The Superintendent and the Board of Education President are hereby authorized to execute said Employment Agreement.

Mr. Bankoski **MOVED** the adoption of the following resolution; seconded by Mrs. Szczerbacki; approved unanimously

5.5 Special Ed Appointments:

Whereas, the Dunkirk Committee on Special Education met on various dates in August 2021 to review and evaluate the condition and placement of students who have been identified as having physical, mental, or emotional disability, and

Whereas, the documentation and evidence presented at these meetings indicate that the Committee on Special Education made the below-listed recommendations to the Board of Education; now therefore, be it

Resolved, that the recommendation for placement or change in placement of the children listed below be approved as follows:

5.5.1 Committee on Pre-School Education:

Recommended Program	Student ID Number(s)
<i>Related Service</i>	900570336
<i>Special Class</i>	900570337

5.5.2 Committee on Special Education:

Recommended Program	Student ID Number and Grade
<i>Related Service</i>	900569830 (K)

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: Mr. Bankoski **MOVED** to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Smith; carried unanimously at 6:05 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mrs. Szczerbacki **MOVED** to enter executive session for personnel; seconded by Mr. Bankoski at 6:04 PM.

CONCLUSION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mrs. Szczerbacki **MOVED** to conclude executive session; seconded by Mr. Bankoski at 6:24 PM.