

A regular meeting of the Members of the Board of Education of the Goshen Central School District, Orange County, New York, was held in the Board of Education Room at the Main Street School on Monday, January 6, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

Present Mrs. Judy Green, President  
Mrs. Martha Bogart, Vice President  
Mr. Jeremy Cassel  
Dr. Matthew Corrigan  
Mr. Tom Frederick  
Mr. George Jung  
Mr. James Kimiecik

Superintendent of Schools Mr. Daniel T. Connor  
Assistant Superintendent for Business Mr. Robert Miller  
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, Personnel and Technology Dr. Frank Sheboy  
Principals: Mr. Kurtis Kotes, Mr. William Rolon,  
Mr. Jason Carter and Ms. Amy Peluso  
Assistant Principals: Mr. John Piscitella and Mrs. Patricia Lercara  
Director of Buildings & Grounds Mr. James Riley  
Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Mr. Gregory Voloshin  
Director of PPS Mrs. Deirdre Hallinan  
CSE Chairperson Mrs. Marlene Gaynor  
Director of Transportation Absent  
Network Administrator James Sterett  
Student Senate Representative  
Members of the Faculty, Press and Citizens of the District

The regular meeting was called to order by President, Mrs. Judy Green at 7:34 p.m. Mrs. Green led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent meditation remembering the family of Olga Benton on the loss of her uncle.

At this point Mrs. Green moved New Business Item – Tenure Award to this portion of the meeting.

Mr. Connor described the meaning and importance of tenure to Mary Adams. Tenure is a huge decision made by a school district acknowledging your accomplishments.

Mr. Rolon introduced and highlighted the educational background and extra-curricular programs of Mary Adams, special education teacher. Mary started with the school district as a substitute secretary; permanent teacher aide; teaching assistant and pursued degree in Special Education and History. Mr. Rolon was proud and pleased to recommend Mary Adams to the Board of Education for tenure.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by James Kimiecik upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the tenure appointment of Mary Adams in the tenure area of Special Education effective January 20, 2014. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.  
The board congratulated Mary Adams on her appointment.

Mrs. Green moved the New Business Item – Accept Donation from Goshen Lacrosse Booster Club to this portion of the meeting.

Mr. Brian Cole joined the board at the table to present a check in the amount of \$38,500 to begin a Spring Lacrosse Program at Goshen Schools. Mr. Cole thanked the board for their support and opportunity to begin a Lacrosse Program. Mr. Cole also thanked the members of the Lacrosse Booster Club, parents and students for their support and hard work in fundraising.

On behalf of the School District, Mrs. Green congratulated the Lacrosse Booster Club on their outstanding accomplishment in raising \$38,500 and graciously accepted the donation to begin the Lacrosse Program this Spring.

On a motion by Tom Frederick and seconded by Jeremy Cassel, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation from the Goshen Lacrosse Booster Club in the amount of \$38,500 for the funding of a Lacrosse program.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves increasing the 2013-2014 budget by \$38,500. Said funds are to be placed in the following budgetary appropriation codes: A2855.1511; A2855.2011; A2855.451711; A2855.45491291; A2855.491301; A90308051; A90108051; A90208051; A5510.1684; A5510.458871. The offsetting revenue account code shall be A2705. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mrs. Green called a brief recess at 7:45 p.m. to congratulate Mary Adams and members of the Lacrosse Booster Club.

The meeting reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

On a motion by Matthew Corrigan and seconded by Martha Bogart, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the draft of the minutes for the meeting of December 2, 2013 and December 16, 2013.    AYES    7  
NAYS    0      Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for October 2013 was acknowledged under Financial Update.

The board received the following correspondence: Goshen Gladiators' Gazette; and various newspaper articles.

There was not President's Report.

Mrs. Bogart reported the Governor is considering new ideas for school districts and hoping an increase to state aid. However, nothing is concrete at this point.

Mr. Frederick reported he attend the swearing in of new County Executive Steve Neuhaus. As a point of discussion, Mr. Neuhaus mentioned Albany's consideration of 0% increase to the State Budget. This would present a challenge to fund schools with a 0% increase.

Mr. Connor reported tomorrow evening, he, Dr. Sheboy and Mr. Miller will be addressing a joint PTO meeting discussing Common Core, Fair Funding and the upcoming Capital Improvement Project. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. at Scotchtown Avenue School.

Mr. Connor reported discussion earlier from Albany was increase in state aid to school districts that have stayed under the Tax Cap. However, that will not be happening. Current news in the papers stated a 1.5% Tax Cap.

Mr. Miller reported he received a copy of the draft of the Internal Audit which will be forwarded to the Audit Committee. Testing will begin in February on the second portion of the internal audit. The Audit Committee agreed to wait to meet until both reports are complete.

Dr. Sheboy reported late last week the Department of Education approved the waiver request for double testing by 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are taking accelerated Algebra. These students will not have to sit for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade math test as well.

On a motion by James Kimiecik and seconded by Matt Corrigan upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda as presented.

Approve medical leave of Jennifer Limbert teacher aide is requesting a medical leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective approximately January 6, 2014 through May 6, 2014.

Approve create position of a 1:1 special education teacher aide at a salary of \$12.21/hr. for 5¾ hours per day effective January 7, 2014. This position is being created for the IEP of Student #115024.

Approve appointment of Jelena Radulov 1:1 special education teacher aide at a salary of \$12.21/hr. for 5¾ hours per day, effective January 8, 2014. Ms. Radulov is filling the newly created position on January 6, 2014 for the IEP of Student #115024.

Approve appointment of Shirley Molina 1:1 special education teacher aide at a salary of \$12.21/hr. for 5¾ hours per day; this position is being moved from Goshen Intermediate School to C.J. Hooker Middle School effective January 7, 2014. Ms. Molina is currently a substitute teacher aide and will be filling the position of Erin Anderson.

Approve appointment of Elaine Kimmel election worker at a salary of \$8.00/hr., as needed, effective January 28, 2014. Ms. Kimmel is being appointed for the Special District 2014/2015 Capital Improvement Project and to be placed on the list of election workers for the Annual Budget Vote and School Board Election.

Approve appointment of Paul Bennis as Evening High School Economics Teacher at a salary of \$37.88/hr. for 3½ hours per evening, one evening per week, effective February 4, 2014.

CSE/CPSE

Subcommittee on Special Education	12/11/13;117190/SAS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	11/20/13;119228/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/27/13;112358/GHS/Classified 12/02/13;115116/CJH/Classified
Committee on Special Education	12/06/13;118807/CJH/Classified 12/04/13;116720/OCJ/Classified 11/20/13;118473/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/22/13;114858/GIS/Classified 12/05/13;113391/GHS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	11/20/13;118836/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	12/03/13;116287/SAS/Classified 12/03/13;113574/CJH/Classified 12/04/13;115756/GIS/Classified 11/18/13;117903/SAS/Classified
Committee on Preschool Special Ed	12/16/13;119220/Classified Preschool
Committee on Special Education	11/20/13;119234/OCJ/Exited
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/14/13;113316/GHS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	12/04/13;117865/OCJ/Classified 11/06/13;118165/OCJ/Exited
Subcommittee on Special Education	12/11/13;116771/SAS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	10/23/13;119036/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/15/13;114470/GHS/Classified 11/27/13;112413/GHS/Classified 11/15/13;112325/GHS/Classified 11/14/13;117195/GIS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	12/04/13;118150/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/20/13;114157/Home/Classified 11/15/13;118645/GHS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	11/06/13;119213/GHS/Classified 11/20/13;118716/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/19/13;116679/SAS/Classified 12/11/13;118601/Student Parentally Placed 12/11/13;117470/BOCES/Classified 11/26/13;112767/GHS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	11/15/13;119001/GHS/Classified 12/16/13;117937/BOCES/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	11/13/13;113875/GHS/Classified
Committee on Special Education	11/20/13;118825/OCJ/Classified 12/04/13;118474/OCJ/Classified
Subcommittee on Special Education	10/02/13;115079/CJH/Classified
Committee on Preschool Special Ed	12/30/13;118972/Classified Preschool
Subcommittee on Special Education	12/02/13;117223/BOCES/Classified
Committee on Preschool Special Ed	12/17/13;118843/Classified Preschool 12/16/13;118072/Classified Preschool

On a motion by Jeremy Cassel and seconded by Tom Frederick upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the proposal for pre-referendum Architectural services from LAN Associates in the amount of \$3,800 as presented, for the \$4,601,987 Capital Improvement Project. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by Tom Frederick upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education authorizes the Board of Education President, subject to the approval of the school attorney, to enter into and execute a combination pre and post referendum contract for Architectural Services with LAN Associates. This contract is for work to be performed for the \$4,601,987 capital improvement project. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Matt Corrigan and seconded by George Jung upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation from the CJ Hooker Middle School PTO in the amount of \$1,500 for the purchase and installation of a Kiosk Controller for the CJ Hooker Middle School.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves increasing the 2013-2014 budget by \$1,500. Said funds are to be placed in budgetary appropriation account code A2020.40225. The offsetting revenue account code shall be A2705. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by George Jung and seconded by James Kimiecik, that the Board of Education authorizes its attorneys, Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert, LLP to execute a Stipulation of Settlement and Order in a tax certiorari proceeding captioned New Life Worship Center v. Town of Wawayanda and Goshen CSD, and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the refund of taxes as required by the terms of the Consent Judgment. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Jeremy Cassel and seconded by Tom Frederick, the Board of Education authorizes the use of the District credit card by Superintendent of Schools, Daniel Connor, at the New York State Council of School Superintendents' Mid-Winter Conference on March 1-4, 2014, in Albany, New York. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Matt Corrigan and seconded by George Jung, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education schedules a proposed Executive Session subject to Board approval, from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with the intent of the Board of Education to reconvene the business portion of the meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 3, 2014, for the purpose of employment history particular persons. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Jeremy Cassel and seconded by James Kimiecik, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education schedules a proposed Executive Session subject to Board approval, from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with the intent of the Board of Education to reconvene the business portion of the meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 17, 2014, for the purpose of employment history particular persons. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mrs. Green opened the second Privilege of the Floor.

Kurtis Kotes thanked the board for their reassuring support to the high school staff during the 2 weeks prior to the winter break. Not an easy time at the high school.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m. on a motion by Jeremy Cassel and seconded by James Kimiecik to enter into Executive Session with no intent to return for the purpose of negotiations. AYES 7 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mrs. Green thanked everyone for attending.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia B. Brown  
District Clerk