

Regular Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Scotia-Glenville Central School was held in the Cafeteria of the Middle School, in said district on April 7, 2025.

President Talbot called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Boucher Furnish, Carbone, Orr, Roberts, Singh, H. Talbot, K. Talbot, Superintendent Swartz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Arket, Business Manager Giaquinto and District Clerk Busman

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

HEARING/PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

None

PRESENTATION: ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS (ALASTAIR AITCHISON, ARCHITECT – SEI DESIGN GROUP AND JACK TATEO, TATEO CM CONSULTING)

(A copy of this presentation is contained as Appendix A to these minutes).

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS (SUSAN M. SWARTZ, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS)

Superintendent Swartz congratulated the cast and crew of the High School production of The Addams Family and then invited Mr. Arket to speak about AIS in ELA in the Middle School.

Assistant Superintendent Arket reported that there were 82 students in the Middle School this year receiving AIS in ELA, either on an everyday schedule or every other day schedule. Programs offered are Wilson (a tier 3 intervention with 4-5 students per class), Just Words (a tier 2 intervention with 7-15 students per class) and Literacy Support (6 students per class). Mr. Arket feels approximately the same number of students will need this reading assistance next year.

REPORTS/UPDATE: ♦ LEGISLATIVE LIAISON ♦ PTA COUNCIL ♦ AUDIT COMMITTEE ♦ BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE ♦ BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS ♦ BUDGET

Legislative – April 3rd, the Federal Department of Education sent out a demand letter that each state had to certify they were in compliance with the Anti-Discrimination obligations. New York State replied for all districts that we comply. The State Budget is still an ongoing process, with another extension in place. At this point, it doesn't look like school aid is an

issue with the budget. Cellphones in school are still an active discussion, with the decision to ban cellphones for the whole school day be a component of the budget.

PTA – Next council meeting is April 23. Elementary schools have finished their afterschool activities with great success. Teacher Appreciation is coming up in May. PTA Council is going to have an activities area during the Jumpin' Jack's fireworks on the 4th of July featuring a Chalker Walk.

Audit Committee – Meeting on May 27th.

Policy – Ms. Carbone and Ms. Talbot met with Ms. Smith and worked through all the changes on Policy 0-3000 with the removal of all pronouns. There are policies that need updating and Ms. Smith is compiling a list of those policies that will come to the board for first read and approval. Final work on policies 3000-5000 is underway, with policies 6000-9000 close to being finished as well.

Budget – no discussion

FINAL ADOPTION OF 2025-2026 BUDGET

MOVED by Roberts, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education approve the resolution adopting the 2025-2026 budget and the related proposition for the Annual District Election on May 20, 2025, as submitted. (This budget is contained as Appendix B to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

MOVED by Singh, SECONDED by Roberts, that the Board of Education approve the Property Tax Report Card for the 2025-2026 school year, as per attached and authorize the Property Tax Report Card to be submitted to the State Education Department, as submitted. (This report card is contained as Appendix C to these minutes.)

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ACCEPT THE DECEMBER 2024 EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITY REPORT

MOVED by K. Talbot, SECONDED by Carbone, that the Board of Education accept the December 2024 Extraclassesroom Activity Report (ECAAF), as submitted. (This report is contained as Appendix D to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION: ACCEPT DONATIONS FOR VARIOUS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS

MOVED by Orr, SECONDED by Roberts, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution dated April 7, 2025, regarding accepting and appropriating the Gift and Donations to be applied to various Senior High School Scholarship Awards, as submitted. (This resolution is contained as Appendix E to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION: EASEMENT TO TOWN OF GLENVILLE

MOVED by Boucher Furnish, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution, dated April 7, 2025, regarding authorization to grant the requested easement to the Town of Glenville in order to install, operate and maintain underground piping and infrastructure for the Town water system, as submitted. (This resolution is contained as Appendix F to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION: EMERGENCY APPLICATION OF AN APPROPRIATE PESTICIDE

MOVED by K. Talbot, SECONDED by Roberts, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution, dated April 7, 2025, regarding authorization to coordinate the emergency application of an appropriate pesticide or pesticides as defined by Environmental Conservation Law Section 33-0101, as submitted. (This resolution is contained as Appendix G to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

REQUEST FOR OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP – FRENCH CLUB TO PARIS-NICE, FRANCE – APRIL 2, 2026-APRIL 9, 2026

MOVED by Roberts, SECONDED by Orr, that the Board of Education approve the request for the overnight field trip for the French Club members and chaperones to Paris-Nice, France from April 2, 2026 to April 9, 2026, as submitted. (This request is contained at Appendix H to these minutes).

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED by Carbone, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education accept/approve the following items:

COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Accept the letter of resignation of Alana Blowers, Teacher Aide (Glen-Worden Elementary), effective c.o.b April 15, 2025, with appreciation to her service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix I to these minutes).
- b. Accept the letter of resignation of Katrina Francis, Teaching Assistant (Senior High School), effective c.o.b. April 16, 2025, with appreciation to her service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix J to these minutes).
- c. Accept the letter of resignation of Sean Bouton, General Mechanic (Building and Grounds), effective c.o.b. April 18, 2025, with appreciation to his service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix K to these minutes).
- d. Accept the letter of resignation of Sean Kenneally, Bus Driver (Transportation Department), effective c.o.b. April 18, 2025, with appreciation for his service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix L to these minutes).
- e. Accept the letter of resignation of Katherine Lippiello, Teaching Assistant (Glen-Worden Elementary), effective c.o.b. April 18, 2025, with appreciation for her service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix M to these minutes).
- f. Accept the letter of resignation of Laxmi (Jen) Singh, Teaching Assistant (Glen-Worden Elementary), effective c.o.b. April 25, 2025, with appreciation for her service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix N to these minutes).
- g. Accept the letter of resignation of Tara Burczeuski, Speech-Language Pathologist (Lincoln Elementary), effective c.o.b. May 31, 2025, with appreciation for her

service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix O to these minutes).

- h. Accept the letter of resignation of Sylvie Bergere, Reading Teacher (Middle School), effective c.o.b. June 30, 2025, with appreciation for her service to the district, as submitted. (This resignation is contained as Appendix P to these minutes).

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

a. Tenure

- 1) That Arielle Joyce, professionally certified in Literacy, Birth-Grade 6, be granted tenure as a Remedial Reading Teacher, effective April 28, 2025.

b. Staffing

- 1) That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Nicholas Schaub as Teacher Aide (Middle School), in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, effective April 7, 2025, with 2024-2025 salary to be at the rate of \$15.50/hour, 6.5 hours/week, 32.5 hours per week.

- 2) That the Board of Education retroactively approve the following individual and their stipend, as chaperone for the Senior High School Dance:

Anita Bruinsma

\$41.93/dance

- 3) That the Board of Education approve the following change for Rachel Frederick as Girls' Lacrosse Coach for the 2024-2025 spring coaching season:

From	Junior Varsity Girls' Lacrosse Coach	Step 5	\$4,077
To	Modified Lacrosse Volunteer Coach	Step 0	\$ -0-

- 4) That the Board of Education approve the attached list of individuals as substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted. (This list is contained as Appendix Q to these minutes).

ROUTINE BUSINESS

a. Placements of Children with Disabilities

Accept the Placement of Children with Disabilities as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-school Special Education in their reports dated April 7, 2025.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

b. Internal Claims Auditor's Report/Warrants/Warrant Report Exceptions:

Payroll Warrants

#58	02/14/2025	\$1,239,236.97
#62	02/28/2025	\$1,316,365.25

Check Warrants

A-52	01/31/2025	\$ 406,299.25
A-56	02/14/2025	\$ 455,477.87
A-57	02/14/2025	\$1,050,558.58
A-60	02/28/2025	\$ 921,772.03
A-61	02/28/2025	\$ 110,449.28
H-6	02/28/2025	\$ 7,700.00
H-7	02/28/2025	\$ 37,500.00

c. Minutes: Regular Meeting – March 3, 2025

MOVED by K. Talbot, SECONDED by Roberts, that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting minutes from March 3, 2025.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 6

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 1

MOTION CARRIED

Regular Meeting – March 10, 2025

MOVED by Orr, SECONDED by Boucher Furnish, that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting minutes from March 10, 2025.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Special Meeting – March 17, 2025

MOVED by Roberts, SECONDED by K. Talbot, that the Board of Education approve the Special Meeting minutes of March 17, 2025.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 2

MOTION CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Orr congratulated the members of the pit crew for the High School musical on their professionalism. She also praised the cast for their performance and skill. Ms. Orr then announced she will not be seeking re-election this year for her seat on the board but thanked the members of the board for their work together.

Mr. Roberts asked on the progress of working with the Glenville Police Department on the cost reduction for our SRO. Superintendent Swartz responded that a date everyone can meet is still being finalized. Mr. Roberts thanked those individuals listed in the agenda that are resigning for their work with Scotia-Glenville and wished them well on their next endeavor.

Ms. Boucher Furnish asked if the district would receive any of the funds collected with the new Stop-Arm cameras on our buses. Mr. Giaquinto explained that the administration and cameras are all from Bus Patrol. They are doing all the work to provide the added safety for our students with no out-of-pocket expense for the district. Ms. Boucher Furnish asked for the expected date the board would hear about weighted grades (to fulfill one of the board's goals). Superintendent Swartz stated that the presentation will be April 23. Ms. Boucher Furnish asked about the follow up on grammar curriculum for grades 6-12. Mr. Arket proposed that discussion may happen on April 23 as well.

HEARING/PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

None

MOVED by K. Talbot, SECONDED by Roberts, that the meeting be adjourned.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Jill Busman, District Clerk