

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE SPENCERPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: March 8, 2022
Spencerport, New York

Members Present: Mr. Bracken, Ms. Brown (via Zoom), Mr. Gibbardo, Mr. Hutton,
Mr. Kincaid, Ms. Stone

Absent: Ms. Czarnecki

Others Present: Ms. Clapper, Ms. Lissow, Ms. Swann, Mr. Wood, Mr. Zinkiewich

The Business Session of the Board of Education of the Spencerport Central School District was called to order at 6:05 p.m. E.D.S.T. by the President, Mr. Hutton, in the Performing Arts Center at the Spencerport High School.

1. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Board of Education members and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Bracken and seconded by Mr. Kincaid that the Board of Education approve the Study Session Agenda.

Vote of the Board: 6

Yes: 6

No: 0

3. BOARD RECOGNITION

Music in our Schools Month – Mr. Kincaid thanked the music and band educators and shared that it was an honor to recognize the music department. To help celebrate Music in Our Schools Month, he presented a proclamation from the Board.

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WHEREAS, the Month of March has been designated as National Music in Our Schools Month;

WHEREAS, our music educators dedicate themselves to bringing music into the lives of students every day. They are committed to ensuring that our district provides students with:

- A well-rounded education;
- A critical tool for social and emotional well-being;
- An opportunity to work to their full potential;
- Life skills needed to make decisions and juggle multiple tasks;
- Months of practice and rehearsals, and the process of learning that takes place in the music classroom—whether virtual or distanced in person.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Spencerport Central School District thanks the music and band educators for dedicating themselves to reaching all students with wonderful music experiences, and be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Spencerport Central School District hereby acknowledges, with deepest appreciation, the passion and commitment our music educator's exhibit on a regular basis to provide a quality music education for the Spencerport school community.

Adopted this day, March 8, 2022

Kevin Hutton, President
Greg Kincaid, Vice President
Gary Bracken
Leah Brown

Katherine Czarnecki
David Gibbardo
Lori Stone

Black History Month, Bernabi Students – Mr. David Caiazza, Principal of Bernabi Elementary School, thanked the Board for the chance to spotlight the Bernabi community. He introduced the following students and their families; Josh Chesney, De'Mari Gainey, Raphael Hoyt, Violet King, Cesar Long and Carason Ware. They, along with many other families participated in a month-long recognition of Black History Month, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Hispanic Heritage Month and Women's History Month. Mr. Caiazza shared that it is important to engage in Cultural Responsive Sustaining Education and for the community to grow together. He presented a video that highlighted student voices and the importance of hearing, learning and engaging with families. The Building Planning Team, including staff members Leigh King, Tammy Lopatka and Gina Carparco, championed this work. Board members proceeded to ask the students and their parents their favorite thing about their assignment. Responses included the importance of feeling comfortable at school and being part of a community. Mr. Caiazza thanked the students and parents and shared his pride for all the hard work on this project.

4. **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**
None.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Old Business

5.11 Approval of the Board of Education meeting minutes held on February 15, 2022

5.2 New Business

5.21 Approval of Personnel Actions as Recommended by the Superintendent of Schools

A. Certificated Personnel

1. RESIGNATION

- a. Deborah Credit, FACS Teacher assigned to Cosgrove Middle School, resigning effective October 22, 2022. Reason: retirement

5.22 Approval of First Budget Notice

LEGAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION SPENCERPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Budget Hearing and Information Meeting (Presentation of Proposed Budget) will be held in person at the Spencerport Administration Building, Room 15 and via a Zoom meeting at 6:30 p.m. EDST on Tuesday, May 3, 2022. Information regarding virtual attendance will be posted on the District's website at www.spencerportschools.org.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Spencerport Central School District, budget vote and election will be held on Tuesday May 17, 2022 from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. EDST at the Spencerport Administration Building, 71 Lyell Avenue, Spencerport, NY to vote upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2022-23 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation of property of the District.
2. To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education for three 3-year terms (commencing July 1, 2022) to succeed Mr. Gary Bracken and Mr. Greg Kincaid.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection upon request on the day of the election and on each of the 5 days preceding. Any qualified voter may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is: (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) a

resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that copies of the proposed budget for the 2022-2023 school year may be obtained by any resident in the district during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the School Budget Vote on the district website www.spencerportschools.org. If you are unable to access the statement from the District website, please contact the District Clerk.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that nominating petitions for candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the School District not later than Monday, April 18, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. (EDST). Each petition for nomination must be directed to the District Clerk; alternatively, candidates can complete and submit forms (available on the District's website) via email to the District Clerk, mclapper@spencerportschools.org. The petition must state the name and address of the candidate, and must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters or 2% of the number of voters from the previous annual election, whichever is greater. The number of petitions necessary for 2022-2023 is thirty-one (31). Required signatures are computed in accordance with the resolution duly adopted at the Annual Meeting of the school district held on June 10, 1969.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that military voters or a spouse, parent, child or dependent of a voter as described above, accompanying or being with such voter who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 585-349-5101 or mclapper@spencerportschools.org as soon as possible, as military ballots must be transmitted by the District by April 22, 2022. The District Clerk must then receive the military voter's military ballot by mail or in person no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 17, 2022. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate his/her preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.

Marcela Clapper
School District Clerk

Dated at Spencerport, New York
March 8, 2022

5.23 SPOMA MOA

Memorandum of Agreement with the Spencerport Plant Operations and Maintenance Association regarding salary ranges was agreed upon.

5.24 Revised Control Cycle Corrective Action Plan

The Board of Education accepts the revised corrective action plan, with anticipated implementation dates, to the Control Cycle Audit of Compensated Absences for the year ended June 30, 2021.

5.25 Kitchen Equipment (Combi Oven & Steamer) Bid

It is recommended awarding the bid for the three Combi Ovens to Main Ford General Supply for \$49,242.36, as they were the lowest responsible bidder.

It is recommended rejecting all three bids for the steamer. Based on supplemental materials provided by one proposer an alternate style of equipment may provide enhanced cooking methods over a dedicated steamer. We will investigate this further to determine the best opportunity for the district.

BID RESULTS				
Description	Main Ford General Supply		Main Ford General Supply	Joseph Flihan Company
	Convotherm		Rational	Not Identified
Bernabi Combi Oven	\$15,328.12		\$15,934.67	\$17,620.00
Installation	\$1,086.00		\$800.00	\$1,240.00
Canal View Combi Oven	\$15,328.12		\$15,934.67	\$17,620.00
Installation	\$1,086.00		\$800.00	\$1,240.00
Munn Combi Oven	\$15,328.12		\$15,934.67	\$17,620.00
Installation	\$1,086.00		\$800.00	\$1,240.00
Total:	\$49,242.36		\$50,204.01	\$56,580.00
REJECTED BIDS				
Description	Main Ford General Supply		Main Ford General Supply	Joseph Flihan Company
	Convotherm		Rational	Not Identified
Steamer	\$13,516.40		\$10,006.38	\$12,700.00
Installation	\$1,376.00		\$800.00	\$540.00
Rejected Total	\$14,892.40		\$10,806.38	\$13,240.00

5.26 Code of Conduct Update

In September 2020, the Board approved the addition of an appendix to the 2020-21 Code of Conduct. This appendix clarified the definition of face coverings, the designation of face coverings as a component of the student dress code, as well as included other provisions relating to student behaviors and Covid-19 mitigation strategies.

As masking has now become optional for students and staff, the appendix presents rules which exceed current masking guidelines. A public hearing was held earlier this evening regarding this revision. The Board will revise the Code of Conduct to remove the appendix so there is no student confusion. The pre-existing provisions on bullying and DASA are expected to meet the need for addressing any behaviors related to choosing or not to wear a mask.

A motion was made by Mr. Kincaid and seconded by Mr. Bracken to approve the Consent Agenda.

Vote of the Board: 6

Yes: 5

Ms. Brown No: 1

6. BOARD OF EDUCATION

6.1 President's Report and Communication

Mr. Hutton shared that the board recently held a board development session. It was a great learning experience for the board members. He also shared that he received a letter from a SUNY Brockport professor thanking Mr. Zinkiewich for his support for their education administration program. Mr. Hutton thanked Mr. Zinkiewich for his work on the program and for representing Spencerport so well.

6.2 Board of Education Members' Reports

Mr. Kincaid shared that he attended the safety committee meeting, where they reviewed updates regarding security and the code of conduct. Mr. Bracken shared that he attended the MCSBA legislative affairs meeting. He also attended the recent architect interviews. Ms. Stone shared that for Music in the Schools Month; there will be a concert on Thursday evening. She also shared that the drumline would be participating in the St. Patrick's Day parade and Cosgrove will be featuring their musical, High School Musical 2 next weekend. Mr. Gibbardo shared that the board development session was beneficial.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.1 Ranger Robotics

Mr. Gallina introduced Ms. Nancy Mancuso and seniors Ms. Livia Fedele, Ms. Clarice Casey and Ms. Abra Geiger. The students are part of the Ranger Robotics Chairman's team and showcased their special edition Shark Tank presentation that they will be performing at their upcoming robotics regionals. The presentation highlighted the many aspects of Ranger Robotics and their enormous outreach in the world of FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics. Mr. Hutton inquired about the theme for this year's competition and Ms. Stone complimented the students on their impressive presentation skills. Mr. Gallina shared that the team is more than robots and he thanked Ms. Mancuso and the other mentors for all their hard work. He then proceeded to provide the Board with a Ranger Robotics "State of the Union". COVID has affected the team and he is looking to recover and sustain the program. He provided a history of the program from their first season in 2009. Ranger Robotics began with 17 students and in ten years has grown into a diverse program including both FIRST Lego Leagues and community outreach. Mr. Gallina stressed the importance of sparking student's interest at a very young age. Ranger Robotics has become a world-class leader in FIRST with many accomplishments and accolades. The program has helped students earn an excess of \$1.7 million in scholarships. Mr. Gallina then proceeded to share the difficulties to operate during COVID and the need to maintain their biggest asset, their mentors. Mentors provide many hours of support to our students. Program costs have increased and the team has lost many sponsors due to the pandemic. Mr. Gallina has proposed moving the program from a club to an academic team. He outlined their budget and is asking to increase funding from the school district. He provided coaches' salaries for athletic teams along with the number of students participating to compare to their program. Mr. Gallina is recommending additional district support and possible future dedicated classroom space for the program. Mr. Kincaid thanked the team for all their hard work.

7.2 Special Education Report

Ms. Andrea Pascuzzi introduced Mr. Michael Sorbera, Ms. Maria Dougherty and Ms. Brianne Eason and then the highlights for the special education department were presented. Ms. Pascuzzi

shared that the integrated co-teaching (ICT) model has successfully continued to 7th grade. This initiative began at the K-5 level and increases inclusion opportunities for students with a disability and enhances their social skills, self-image, and problem-solving skills. There are many opportunities for students in special areas, electives, WEMOCO, etc. and case manager's work closely to support each student. Communication with parents regarding what students need to be successful at school and in the community is integral to the program. Mr. Sorbera shared that the instructional philosophy shift from 15:1 to ICT will move to 8th grade next year. Professional development has been instrumental in expanding opportunities for ICT in classrooms and the partnership that is required through this model. Support at the K-8 level has been provided by a TOSA (teacher on special assignment) and at the 9-12 level by a BOCES special education instructional coach. Ms. Pascuzzi presented a video with Ms. Bethany Wolff and Ms. Courtney Hoerner who work together in a 7th grade ICT class. Ms. Wolff shared that they tailor instruction to meet the student's individual needs and students are motivated to work with peers. Ms. Hoerner shared that student's self-confidence increases as well as their motivation to complete schoolwork due to positive role models.

Ms. Dougherty shared that their biggest initiative for K-5 this year has been revised the SIP (student intervention plan). Special education teachers wanted an opportunity to work together to develop interventions for students' academic needs. This model is now aligned to the MTSS process. Several opportunities were provided for case managers to brainstorm strategies and progress monitoring. Ms. Eason provided an update on social emotional learning needs as students struggled to re-acclimate to the school setting. The team adopted the Zones of Regulation program as a pilot, and it has been implemented in a 5th grade ICT class at Bernabi. The program focuses on recognizing feelings in each zone with a focus to move to green. Asynchronous professional development will be available for every grade level at all elementary schools. Ms. Pascuzzi shared that the department is doing wonderful things and next steps were presented on ICT, professional learning, and support. Discussion ensued with Board members expressing their appreciation to the department for the work that we do on behalf of the students that they serve.

Mr. Kincaid left the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

7.3 7000 and 8000 Series Policies

Mr. Saltzberg shared that there was only one comment regarding Policy 7316 Student Use of Personal Technology, with respect to drones. The question was raised regarding a drone's ability to record remotely. Mr. Saltzberg felt that drones could be included in the policy as it deals with use personal technology as opposed to district technology. He also shared that there are separate

Mr. Kincaid returned to the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

rules for NYS Public High School Athletic Association that are already in place regarding drones. Discussion ensued regarding a previous student policy that was tabled. Mr. Hutton shared that it is a large policy manual to review and thanked Mr. Saltzberg for his streamline process and presentations of the policies. Mr. Saltzberg is hopeful that we will be done with the review in May.

7.4 Ratification of the Successor Agreement with the Spencerport Teachers Association

A motion was made by Mr. Bracken and seconded by Mr. Kincaid to ratify the Spencerport Teachers Association Agreement.

Vote of the Board: 6

Yes: 6
No: 0

7.5 Ratification of the Successor Agreement with the Spencerport Plant Operations and Maintenance Association

A motion was made by Ms. Stone and seconded by Mr. Kincaid to ratify the Spencerport Plant Operations and Maintenance Association Agreement.

Vote of the Board: 6

Yes: 6
No: 0

7.6 Federal Stimulus Update

Mr. Gibbardo left at 8:06 p.m.

Mr. Wood provided a quick recap of the federal stimulus packages (CARES Act, CRRSA Act, ARP Act) from March 2020 to March 2021. The CARES Act is complete, for the most part; and discussed the approved amendments that will be included in the final cost report which must be

Mr. Gibbardo returned to the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

submitted before October, 2022. Mr. Wood provided information on the CRRSA Act; items included in the initial budget are expenditures for TOSA's (teacher on special assignment), enrichments specialists, elementary teachers and various supplies, services and costs. Items included in the ARP Act budget include MTSS TOSA's, content focus coaches and their backfill positions, a counselor, and a Coordinator of Student and Family Engagement. Mr. Wood also reviewed the ARP Act State Reserve portion to assist with lost academic instruction. This will include summer learning, after school programs and academic support in CORE areas. Mr. Wood shared that the ARP Act State Reserve funds detail specific requirements of how certain monies are to be used. He then presented amendments to the process and next steps. Allocation of these funds is a fluid process and may address how to retain and attract staff, social emotional support, lost instruction time, professional development and contractual services. These funds will also be used to address unbudgeted expenses and supply chain issues that may arise. Mr. Bracken inquired if these additional programs can be sustained in the future. Mr. Wood indicated that the district will need to be careful and that budgets fluctuate from year to year.

8. MEETING EVALUATION

Mr. Bracken shared that it was great to see so many students. Mr. Hutton agreed. Mr. Kincaid shared that there were great reports this evening and the students were a bright spot.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Bracken and was seconded by Mr. Gibbardo at 8:24 p.m. to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment and employment history of particular persons.

Vote of the Board: 6

Yes: 6

No: 0

Mr. Hutton moved the Board out of Executive Session and returned to the Study Session at 9:21 p.m.

10. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Kincaid and seconded by Mr. Bracken to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Vote of the Board: 6

Yes: 6

No: 0

As there was no further business, Mr. Hutton declared the meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.



District Clerk



Board President

