

AUBURN BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
250 LAKE AVE., AUBURN, NY

MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY January 25, 2022
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: MR. GASPER, MR. GIANGRECO, MR. ANDRE, AND MR. BARTOLOTTA

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: MR. PHILLIPS AND MRS. WOOD

ARRIVING LATE: DR. HERNANDEZ AND DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

ALSO PRESENT: MR. PIROZZOLO, MS. GREEN, MRS. CUPELLI, MRS. MAHUNIK
AND MRS. JOHNSON

**Public meeting of the Board of Education begins at
6:30 P.M.**

**After opening the meeting, the Board will move into
Executive Session with the intent to return by
7:00 p.m. to public session.**

AGENDA

1.0 CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

MRS. MAJOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:32 P.M.

MR. GIANGRECO MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE DISCUSSION OF THE EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF A PARTICULAR PERSON AND MATTERS LEADING TO DISCIPLINE OF PARTICULAR PERSONS (ATA) AND FOR DISCUSSION OF A PROPOSED LITIGATION.

SECONDED BY MR. ANDRE

CARRIED 6-0

MR. GIANGRECO MOVED TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION AT 7:12 P.M.

SECONDED BY MR. GASPER

CARRIED 8-0

1.1 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

****MR. ANDRE STEPPED OUT AT 7:12 P.M. AND RETURNED AT 7:14 P.M.**



2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MR. BARTOLOTTA MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, NEW YORK, 13021, ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, APPROVE THE AGENDA.

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 7-0

3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

EXHIBIT #1

MR. ANDRE MOVED THAT THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING HELD ON 1/11/2022 BE WAIVED AND BE ADOPTED IN THEIR ENTIRETY.

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 8-0

4.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

4.1 MR. PIROZZOLO GAVE A SUPERINTENDENT REPORT, COVID UPDATE.

4.2 MRS. CUEVAS-POST, PRESIDENT, MRS. HUTCHINSON, PAST PRESIDENT AND MR. TENITY, VICE-PRESIDENT GAVE A PRESENTATION FOR THE AUBURN EDUCATION FOUNDATION.

4.3 MR. OLIVER, AUBURN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL GAVE A PRESENTATION ON SCEP AND "PRIDE MONDAYS".

4.4 MS. JOHNSON, ASST. SUPERINTENDENT FOR STUDENT SERVICES, MS. CAREY-DIXON AND DR. HOSKINS-TARDIBONE, SCHOOL COUNSELORS, GAVE A STUDENT SERVICES PRESENTATION.

4.5 MS. LISA GREEN, SCHOOL BUSINESS EXECUTIVE, SPOKE ABOUT THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET.

4.6 MS. KIEARALYN MATHIS GAVE A STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT.

5.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS / WORKSHOPS / MEETINGS

5.1 REPORT ON CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2022 - DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON, MR. BARTOLOTTA, MRS. WOOD **EXHIBIT #2**

5.1.1 MINUTES OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING

MR. BARTOLOTTA MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DISTRICT'S CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE, HEREBY ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2022 IN EXHIBIT #2.

SECONDED BY MR. ANDRE

CARRIED 8-0

5.2 REPORT ON ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2022 - MRS. WOOD, MR. PHILLIPS **EXHIBIT #3**

5.2.1 MINUTES OF ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING

MR. BARTOLOTTA MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DISTRICT'S ADVOCACY COMMITTEE, HEREBY ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2022 IN EXHIBIT #3.

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON CARRIED 8-0

6.0 OLD BUSINESS

DATES TO REMEMBER:

FEBRUARY

- FEBRUARY 2, 2022, FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING, HARRIET TUBMAN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 78 THORNTON AVENUE, AUBURN, NEW YORK, 4:00 P.M.
- FEBRUARY 7-11, 2022, NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELORS WEEK
- FEBRUARY 8, 2022, POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING, AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY, 250 LAKE AVENUE, AUBURN, NEW YORK, 6:30 P.M.
- FEBRUARY 8, 2022, BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING, AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY, 250 LAKE AVENUE, AUBURN NEW YORK, 7:00 P.M.
- FEBRUARY 10, 2022, CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING, HARRIET TUBMAN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 78 THORNTON AVENUE, AUBURN, NEW YORK, 12:30 P.M.
- FEBRUARY 10, 2022, ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING, ZOOM, 7:00 P.M.
- FEBRUARY 15, 2022, BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP, AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY, 250 LAKE AVENUE, AUBURN, NEW YORK, 5:30-8:30 P.M.
- FEBRUARY 21-25, 2022, WINTER BREAK, NO SCHOOL

7.0 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(20 MINUTES)

7.1 DONATIONS

MR. ANDRE MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING DONATION TO THE AUBURN ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Donor	Purpose	Amount
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8.2 Kiley Kustyn	Unpaid Leave of Absence	Elementary Teacher		Casey Park Elementary School	1/19/2022 - 3/08/2022	
8.3 Laura Falzarano	Unpaid Leave of Absence	Elementary Teacher - 2 nd Grade		Seward Elementary School	1/26/2022 - 6/30/2022	

APPOINTMENTS

8.4 Carlos B James	Long-Term Substitute (for Colleen Forehand)	LTS - Special Education		Auburn High School	1/20/2022 - 6/30/2022 (11/12/21 begin date)	1B + 0 = \$51,181 (pro-rated)
8.5 Matthew Mahunik	Long-Term Substitute (for Sara Parisi)	LTS - FACS		Auburn Junior High School	1/19/2022 - 6/30/2022 (11/10/21 begin date)	1B + 0 = \$51,181 (pro-rated)
8.6 Andrew Corbett	Mentor Appointment	Mentor		Auburn High School	1/25/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$45/Hr. Up to 5 hrs.
8.7 Michael Heins	Mentee Appointment	Mentee		Auburn High School	1/25/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$45/Hr. Up to 5 hrs.
8.8 Casey Carey- Dixon	Restorative Justice Coach Appointment	Restorative Justice Coach		District Wide	1/25/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$1250
8.9 Lisa Szewczyk	Restorative Justice Coach Appointment	Restorative Justice Coach		District Wide	1/25/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$1250
8.10 Colin Parry	Restorative Justice Coach Appointment	Restorative Justice Coach		District Wide	1/25/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$1250
8.11 Laura Falzarano	Appointment	Instructional Coach		District Wide	1/26/2022	Current Salary

EXTRA-CLASS ACTIVITY APPOINTMENTS

8.12 Kristan Sheppard	Extra-Class Activity Appointment	Music Facilitator K-12		District Wide	1/03/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$1375 (pro-rated)
8.13 Joseph Sheppard	Extra-Class Activity Appointment	E Sports Club		Auburn High School	1/03/2022 - 6/30/2022	Volunteer

INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS

8.14	Theresa Mason	Chris Shutter-Moran	Francesca S Vitale	
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SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 8-0

9.0 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS 9.1 - 9.15

MR. ANDRE MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, NEW YORK 13021, ON THE RECOMMENDATION

OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, HEREBY APPROVE THE FOLLOWING NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS 9.1 - 9.15 AS PER CIVIL SERVICE LAW:

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT EACH EMPLOYEE IS HEREBY APPOINTED TO THE INDICATED TENURE AREA OR POSITION UPON THE RECEIPT OF FINAL CLEARANCE FOR EMPLOYMENT GRANTED BY THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE APPOINTMENT SHALL THEREUPON BE CHANGED TO A REGULAR APPOINTMENT, REFLECTING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SAID BOARD MEETING.

NAME	TYPE OF ACTION	TITLE	BUILDING ASSIGNMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
<u>UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE</u>					
9.1 <u>Extend</u> Michael Lawler	Unpaid Leave of Absence	Custodian	Auburn High School	12/07/2021 - 1/31/2022	
<u>RESIGNATIONS</u>					
9.2 Marcus Babb	Resignation	Teacher Aide	Auburn Junior High School	1/15/2022	
9.3 Louis Araujo	Resignation	Custodial Worker	Auburn Junior High School	1/07/2022	
9.4 Nicholas Mizro	Resignation	Senior Custodian	Herman Avenue Elementary School	1/31/2022	
9.5 Jodi Bretherton	Resignation	Custodian	Auburn Junior High School	1/31/2022	
9.6 John Johnson	Resignation	Custodian	Genesee Elementary School	1/31/2022	
<u>RETIREMENT</u>					
9.7 Patricia Festa	Retirement (w/25 yrs. Of service)	School Treasurer	Harriet Tubman Administration Building	7/05/2022	
<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>					
9.8 Leslie Walker	Permanent Appointment	Cafeteria Monitor	Genesee Elementary School	10/07/2021	\$15/Hour
9.9 Lee Gaylo	Probationary Appointment	Cafeteria Monitor	Seward Elementary School	1/18/2022 - 1/17/2023	\$15/Hour
9.10 <u>Extend</u> Michael Lawler	Probationary Appointment Extended	Custodian	Auburn High School	12/02/2020 - 2/20/2022	
9.11 Jodi Bretherton	Appointment	Custodial Worker	Herman Avenue Elementary School	2/01/2022	\$16.39/Hr.

9.12 Nicholas Mizro	Appointment	Custodian	Genesee Elementary School	2/01/2022	\$19.21/Hr.
9.13 Jay Duncan	Extra Duty Appointment	Reintegration Coach	Casey Park Elementary School	1/26/2022 - 6/30/2022	\$2250
<u>NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS</u>					
Stephen D Mahan		Karlee I Dechick			
9.15 VOLUNTEERS					
HERMAN					
William Neuman		Ashlynn Currier		Molly Duffy	
Elizabeth Plish					

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 8-0

10.0 APPROVAL OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES/CURRICULUM

EXHIBIT #4

10.1 CONSIDERATION OF CLASSIFICATION AND SCHOOL PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES CERTIFIED BY THE COMMITTEES ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND/OR PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION HELD ON DECEMBER 22, 2021, JANUARY 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 19, 20, 2022

MR. ANDRE MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFIES THE ELIGIBILITY OF STUDENTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT AS DISABLED, IT IS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE, CHAPTER 853, ARTICLE 69, and SECTION 4402.1B (3) (A-g) AND REGULATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, SECTION 200.5 (A) (4) THAT THE COMMITTEE MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON CLASSIFICATION AND PLACEMENT; AND WHEREAS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER, SECTION 200.5 (B) (3), SHALL NOTIFY THE PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) OF ITS DECISION WITHIN THIRTY(30)DAYS, ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR THE SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATION AS INDICATED IN EXHIBIT #4.

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 8-0

11.0 OTHER

11.1 APPROVE AMENDED BOARD OF EDUCATION 2021-2022 MEETING CALENDAR

EXHIBIT #5

MR. ANDRE MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, APPROVE THE AMENDED BOARD OF EDUCATION 2021-2022 MEETING CALENDAR IN EXHIBIT #5.

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 8-0

11.2 ELECTION - BOARD OF REGISTRATION/DIRECTORS

MR. ANDRE MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

THAT IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 2606 OF THE EDUCATION LAW, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS BE APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION/DIRECTORS OF ELECTION FOR THE AUBURN ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 15, 2022, WITH COMPENSATION FOR EACH MEMBER TO BE AT THE RATE OF \$600.00 FOR EACH ELECTION:

- JAMES BRAZEE, 154 PERRINE ST., AUBURN, NY 13021
- KAREN VASILE, 157 BURTIS PT. ROAD, AUBURN, NY 13021

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD

DESIGNATES THE HARRIET TUBMAN ADMINISTRATION BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING, 78 THORNTON AVENUE, AUBURN, NEW YORK, AS THE PLACE WITHIN THE AUBURN ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT WHERE SUCH BOARD OF REGISTRATION SHALL ATTEND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING A REGISTER FOR EACH SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT.

SECONDED BY DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON

CARRIED 8-0

12.0 VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS - RESIDENTS WISHING TO BE HEARD [15 MINUTES]

STEVE GAMBA OF 128 NORTH ST., SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE BOOK, "ALL BOYS AREN'T BLUE" STAYING ON THE SHELVES IN THE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY. HE STATED "IT IS NARROW-MINDED TO FOCUS ON ONLY A FEW PAGES OF THIS BOOK" AND THAT PARENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO MONITOR THEIR KIDS AT HOME. JAMES CUDDY OF 23 FOXCROFT CIRCLE, SPOKE IN FAVOR OF KEEPING THIS BOOK AS WELL, STATING THAT IT HAS GOOD VALUES IN MANY CHAPTERS AND LIFE IS NOT THE SAME FOR ALL PEOPLE. ELLA BOEDICKER OF 7002 OWASCO RD., SPOKE IN FAVOR OF KEEPING THE BOOK AND STATED THERE ARE SO MANY OTHER BOOKS WITH EQUALLY DISTURBING PARTS IN THEM. THEREFORE, SHE CONCLUDED PEOPLE'S OPPOSITION IS ONLY DUE TO THE GAY SEX IN THIS BOOK

AND SHE STATED "YOUR HATE WILL NOT WIN - LOVE ALWAYS WINS". KRISTIN SCANLAN OF 31 HAVENS AVE. SPOKE ABOUT THE ODOR THAT FILLED OWASCO SCHOOL THIS WEEK DUE TO OUR ON-GOING CAPITAL PROJECT AND WAS UPSET THAT PARENTS WERE NOT NOTIFIED THEIR KIDS WERE EXPOSED TO AN ODOR FOR 2 HOURS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. BARB STOTLER OF FLEMING, STATED 13-17-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN ARE TOO YOUNG TO BE READING THE BOOK "ALL BOYS AREN'T BLUE" DUE TO THE "STRAIGHT PORN" INCLUDED IN 7 OF THE PAGES. PATRICK HEERY OF 162 N. HERMAN AVE. STATED HE WAS A PASTOR AND IS IN FAVOR OF KEEPING THE BOOK ON OUR SHELVES. HE STATED THE HUMAN VOICE ISN'T DANGEROUS - SILENCE OR CENSORSHIP IS DANGEROUS AND THAT WE SHOULD WELCOME ALL TO LEARN ABOUT THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN EACH OTHER. BETH CUDDY OF 133 S. HOOPES AVE. READ A QUOTE "A TRULY GREAT LIBRARY HOLDS SOMETHING TO OFFEND EVERYONE" AND STATED THAT ALL STORIES ARE NOT MEANT TO APPEAL TO ALL PEOPLE. THIS BOOK HELPS PEOPLE TO KNOW THAT THEY MATTER AND THEIR STORIES MATTER. TERRY CUDDY OF 133 S. HOOPES AVE. READ A STATEMENT FROM CRYSTAL PONTO WHO COULDN'T MAKE IT TO THE MEETING. IN HER STATEMENT SHE SAID LITERATURE SHOULD GIVE US STORIES NOT LIKE OUR OWN AND HELP PEOPLE TO KNOW THEY ARE NOT ALONE WITH THE BURDEN THEY CARRY. ELIZABETH CUDDY OF 119 STRYKER AVE. WANTS TO KNOW WHY WE ARE CREATING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COACHES IN THE DISTRICT? SHE WORRIES THE DISTRICT IS TURNING INNOCENT CHILDREN INTO ACTIVISTS AND USING THE CRITICAL RACE THEORY. CHRIS PATCH OF 9 BAKER AVE. SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF KEEPING THE BOOK ON THE SHELVES AND STATED THAT YOU MUST READ THE PAGES WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE ENTIRE BOOK. HE ALLEGES THAT PEOPLE ARE HAVING A PROBLEM WITH THE THEME AND NOT THE CONTENT OF THIS BOOK. KIMBERLY PATCH OF 9 BAKER AVE. HELD UP A BOOK SHE BELIEVES IS IN MOST HOUSEHOLDS AND SAID IT CONTAINED WAR, INCEST, GANG RAPE, MURDER, LYNCH MOBS, ETC. AND THAT IT WAS A TEXT OF TERROR; THEN SHE TOLD US IT WAS THE BIBLE. SHE STATED REPRESENTATION MATTERS AND THEY MATTER (REFERRING TO THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY). MICHAEL HOMICK OF 9 CLYMER ST. STATED HE HEARD A LOT OF TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH TONIGHT AND HE STATED MASKS ARE HURTING OUR KIDS AS WELL. HE ASKED WHEN WILL WE BE ABLE TO REMOVE THESE MASKS FROM OUR KIDS FACES? NAOMI GOULD OF AUBURN, STATED THAT PEOPLE SHOULD HOMESCHOOL THEIR CHILDREN AND RELIEVE THEM FROM WEARING MASKS AND STRESS. SHE ALSO STATED THAT THE DISTRICT SHOULD'VE SENT HOME A MESSAGE ABOUT THE ODORS THAT WERE RELEASED AT OWASCO SCHOOL DUE TO OUR ON-GOING CAPITAL PROJECT AS IT MADE KIDS SICK. NATE VITALE OF MARY ST. STATED THOUGHT-PROVOKING BOOKS ARE GREAT AND THERE ARE MANY BOOKS INCLUDING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, ETC. THAT ARE MANDATED TO BE TAUGHT IN THE CURRICULUM.

DR. OVERSTREET-WILSON MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING

SECONDED BY MR. BARTOLOTTA

CARRIED 8-0

Regular Board of Education Meeting, Tuesday January 25, 2022

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:19 P.M.

DATE

DISTRICT CLERK