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**FALCONER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OCTOBER 1, 2024, AT 5:30 PM  
HELD IN THE ROBERT CARPENTER BOARDROOM  
IN THE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL**

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Members Present: Tracy Schrader  
Ro Woodard  
Robert Carpenter  
Marcella Centi  
Mark Wilcox  
Heather Cardot

Members Excused: Tom Frederes  
Isabella Anderson, Ex-Officio Student Member

Administration Present: Stephen Penhollow, Superintendent  
Sara Kennison, School District Business Leader  
Jeffrey Jordan, Falconer High School Principal

Others Present: Todd Beckerink  
Scott Peterson  
Gabe Lundmark  
Patrick Holmberg  
Nathan Bailey  
Mathias Baehr  
Mike Bobseine  
Matthew Erskine

**CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT:**

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Tracy Schrader, at 5:32 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Tracy Schrader, Board President, welcomed the Government Students who were in attendance. Ro Woodard read a prepared statement for the students that explained what it meant to be a school board member and the responsibilities and duties.

**EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- None

**DEPARTMENT/STAFF REPORTS:**

- None

## **EX-OFFICIO STUDENT MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT:**

- None

## **INFORMATION:**

### **Administrative Reports:**

Summaries of reports presented at the Board Meeting are included below. Additional details and information are included in the board packet written administrative reports.

- Jeff Jordan -
  - Reminded about upcoming Homecoming Week and an overview of associated events
  - Reminded about upcoming "Go Home Early" drill
  - Reminded about upcoming Flu Clinic
- Sara Kennison -
  - Provided an update on tax collection status and adjustments to taxes collectable to date
  - Discussed the districts' external audit status
  - Provided an update on zero emission bus legislation
  - Discussed proposed board policy updates included on the agenda
  - Discussed the BOCES proposed meeting and budget vote dates that have been provided. Discussion was had. A proposed meeting schedule will be created and provided to the board for further discussion.
- Steve Penhollow -
  - Discussed the upcoming CCSBA dinner regarding Regionalization. Discussed the district's current shared services and collaboration with other area districts.
  - Provided an update on the districts current capital projects and future capital project planning
  - Discussed the proposed surplus equipment provided on the agenda
  - Discussed the proposed policies
  - Provided an overview of personnel items and anticipated openings throughout the district.
  - Labor Relations Committee upcoming meeting was discussed
  - Read a district prepared statement that was recently provided to area media sources regarding a recent transportation concern that was received
  - Provided an update on the process of planning for the memorial swing that fundraising has taken place for

CCSBA dinner, Regionalization with Dr. David O'Rourke, E2CCB District Superintendent, on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at SUNY Fredonia. The reservation deadline is Wednesday, October 2nd.

Student intern placements as follows:

- Emily Campbell, Jamestown Community College, with UPK and Kindergarten, effective September 18, 2024 through December 18, 2024.
- Emily Rich, St. Bonaventure University, with Ruthanne Main, MHS, effective October 2, 2024 through December 6, 2024.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The public was invited to address the Board of Education.

- Mike Bobseine addressed the Board of Education, discussed his past time on an area school board and thanked them for their time and dedication. He introduced himself and discussed his candidacy for NYS Assembly. Discussed the many proposed changes to NYS public education and the importance of a quality education for all students. Expressed his appreciation for meeting all of the Board of Education members and hoped to see them at the upcoming regionalization dinner.

Mike Bobseine left the meeting at 6:19PM.

- A motion was made by Heather Cardot and seconded by Mark Wilcox to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024, regular Board of Education meeting.

Voting Yes – 6  
Voting No – 0  
Motion Carried

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Heather Cardot to add the additions and/or deletions to the agenda.

Voting Yes – 6  
Voting No – 0  
Motion Carried

#### **POLICIES:**

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Mark Wilcox to approve the following Policy items:
  - Second reading/approval of revised policy 3130, Public Access to Records.
  - Approval of revised policy 7450, Fund Raising by Students.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A motion was made by Marcella Centi and seconded by Heather Cardot to approve the following New Business items:
  - CSE meeting minutes from September 3, 12, 13, 17, 19, 23, 24, and 25, 2024/CPSE meeting minutes from September 19, 2024.
  - Request for fundraising activity from Emily Scholeno for the middle school student council during the 2024-2025 school year.
  - Surplus of groundskeeping equipment, per the attached listing.

Voting Yes – 6  
 Voting No – 0  
Motion Carried

**FINANCE:**

- A motion was made by Robert Carpenter and seconded by Ro Woodard to approve the Claims Schedules as of October 1, 2024.

Voting Yes – 6  
 Voting No – 0  
Motion Carried

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS:**

- None

**TRANSPORTATION:**

- None

**PERSONNEL:**

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Robert Carpenter to approve the following Personnel items upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - Approval of the enclosed list of graduate credits.
  - Addition of Drew Wilcox to the 2024-2025 extracurricular list for video scoreboard preparation.
  - Addition of Christopher White to the substitute teacher list.
  - Request from Kathleen Cooley, Account Clerk, for medical leave from October 21, 2024 to November 17, 2024, with an expected return date of November 18, 2024, in accordance with Board policy 6551.
  - Request from Christy Micek, Teacher's Aide, for medical leave from September 7, 2024, to October 7, 2024, (tentative date) in accordance with Board policy 6551.
  - Addition of Melissa A. Russell to the substitute teacher aide and monitor/bus attendants lists.

- Appointment of Gordon (Chuck) Ryberg Jr. as Lead/Senior Custodian for the 2024-2025 school year effective October 2, 2024.
- Appointment of Jessica Holmquist as a teacher aide, effective October 2, 2024, with salary in accordance with the non-teaching contract.
- Appointment of Keith Nelson as Interim Director of Facilities II, effective October 3, 2024, through June 30, 2025 and approval for the Superintendent to execute the Employment Agreement with Keith Nelson.
- Resignation of Scott Traniello, Custodian, for the purpose of retirement effective December 31, 2024, with 24 years of service to the District.

Voting Yes – 6  
Voting No – 0  
Motion Carried

## ADJOURN MEETING:

- A motion was made by Ro Woodard and seconded by Heather Cardot to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM.

Voting Yes – 6  
Voting No – 0  
Motion Carried

## EXTRA ENCLOSURES:

- None

*Sara E. Kennison*

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Board and District Clerk