

**FORT ANN CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
Fort Ann, New York**

Regular Meeting

December 15, 2020

The virtual regular meeting of the Fort Ann Central School Board of Education was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2020. James Seeley, Ed. D., President, opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL Mr. James Seeley, Ed. D., President
PRESENT: Mr. James Allen 6:40
Mrs. Cathy Graham
Mr. Paul Greene
Mrs. Alison West 6:32
Mrs. Pamela White
Mr. Kevin Froats, Superintendent

ABSENT: Dr. Diana Sustar

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs. Shelley Gregorio, Clerk of the Board, Mrs. Michelle Discenza, Mr. Justin Hoskins, Mrs. Lyn Derway, Ms. Kristen Casey, Ms. Caitlin McIntyre, Mr. Jason Humiston, Mrs. Kori Colvin, Mrs. Heather Wood, Mrs. Mindy Stockman, and Mrs. Sheila Morris.

PRELIMINARY ACTION:

Motion by Pamela White, second Cathy Graham, approval given to December 15, 2020 agenda.
Motion carried: Ayes 4, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Motion by Cathy Graham, second Paul Greene, approval given to minutes of November 17, 2020 Regular Board of Education meeting.

Motion carried: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Mrs. Alison West arrived

BUSINESS OPERATIONS:

Motion by Pamela White, second Cathy Graham, approval given to Warrants of Bills for Nov. 2020:

#A-9 General Fund \$391,514.17

#C-4 School Lunch Fund \$15,057.89

#F-5 Special Aid \$22,013.99

#H-5 Capital Fund \$5,275.00

Motion carried: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Motion by Pamela White, second Paul Greene, approval given to budget transfer Gen #A-5 Ref. #29, \$361,127.74.

Motion carried: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstention 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic/Assessment Comm.-Next meeting TBD

Athletic Comm. – Next meeting TBD

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Finance Comm. – No December meeting was held

Policy Comm. – No policies on this agenda.

Facilities Comm. – Next meeting TBD

Arts Comm. –Next mtg TBD

Wellness Comm. –Next meeting TBD

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

PRESENTATIONS: None

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS/COMMUNICATIONS:

Superintendent update:

Mr. Froats recently met with Assemblywoman Carrie Warner who expressed school funding for this and next year will be extremely challenging. She is also aware of the small group insurance needing a permanent waiver.

Operation Santa Claus is amazing with over 50 students/20 families assisted. Thank you to all that participated in and organized this event.

During the recent late afternoon COVID positive alert, Fort Ann CSD was able to get letters out to families and had an action plan ready by 2:45 pm. We now have 13 teachers/staff on quarantine. Mr. Froats thanked all staff for stepping up to these challenging times.

Mr. Froats shared information regarding testing steps needed should our District move to yellow or orange zone, and the cost of this possible mandated testing.

Principal Discenza reports 10-15 families have moved their children to virtual learning due to the recent positive COVID-19 case in the district.

Principal Hoskins reports many families are considering extending their children's virtual status beyond January 4, 2021.

Mr. James Allen arrived

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Organizational/Administrative:

Motion by Pamela White, second Alison West, approval given to the Corrective Action Plan in response to the Report of Examination by Jenkins, Beecher & Bethel, LLP for the 2019-2020 year.

Motion carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Motion by Cathy Graham, second Alison West, approval given to CSE/CPSE recommendations of students:

#000000002, #091750010, #091750015, #092040225, #083220002, #982420090, #092040698, #982420192, #982420198, #092040594, #982420256, #982420119, #982420135.

Motion carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Personnel:

Motion by Paul Greene, second Cathy Graham, approval given to FMLA request for Employee #3015 effective 12/9/2020 using available sick, personal, and vacation days with any additional days unpaid. Approximate date of return unknown at this time.

Motion carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Motion by Pamela White, second Alison West, approval given to appoint Tara Wilson-Monroe as Freshman Class Advisor at Year 9, F5, \$459.00 and as Sophomore Class Advisor at Year 9, E5, \$917.00 (both to be prorated), for the 2020-2021 year.

Motion carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Unidentifiable persons interrupted this virtual Fort Ann School District Board of Education meeting.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD:

Mrs. Kori Colvin questioned the Board of Education regarding availability of space in a classroom should a Fort Ann student desire to return to in person instruction. She questions out of district students taking preference over Fort Ann resident students. We do not currently have this situation occurring in the District.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Holiday Break December 24, 2020 to January 1, 2021, 2020; classes resume January 4, 2021.
January 19, 2021 Board of Education Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Alison West, second James Allen, approval given to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Motion carried: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstention 0

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Gregorio