

Boquet Valley CSD
Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 13, 2025 @ 6:00 PM
Mountain View Campus - Elizabethtown, NY

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

(corrected 3/21/25)

1. Call to Order **At:** 6:00 PM **By:** President Reynolds

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

[X]Tom Broderick [X]Evan George [X]Darlene Hooper [A]Sarah Kullman
[X]Heather Reynolds [A]Suzanne Russell [X]Debra Spaulding

4. Attendees

Present: Joshua Meyer, Superintendent
Jana Atwell, District Clerk
Hayden Reidy, Business Manager
Kelly Zimmerman, Assistant Principal Health & Wellness

Visitors: Samantha Meachem Hughes	Paige Cotter Saltamach
Terry Egglefield	Karlee Ashe
George Saltamach	Brooke Beaton
Donald Beaton	Mary Lou Morgan
Jim Jackson	Paul Hooper
Cindy Month	Kerry Mero
Jason Welch	Zoe Brugger
Bertha Rand	Crystal Brant
Lee Kyler	

5. Executive Session

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- a. (#6) to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or persons.

In: 6:01 PM Motion: Tom Broderick Second: Darlene Hooper Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Accept

Out: 6:40 PM Motion: Heather Reynolds Second: Deb Spaulding Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Accept

No action taken.

Motion to return to regular session at: 6:39 PM

Motion: Evan George Second: Tom Broderick Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

6. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approve the minutes of the February 13, 2025 Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion: Deb Spaulding Second: Darlene Hooper Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

7. Public Comment

- a. Our agenda offers two Public Comment sections; opinions, ideas and concerns that are offered by the public will be considered and taken under advisement. We have set aside a 15 minute period giving the audience time to share their thoughts with us. Please raise your hand to be acknowledged by the Board President. When called upon, please identify yourself and give your address, limiting your comments to three minutes.

Paige Cotter Saltamach shared concerns regarding the CSE program.

Bertha Rand questioned why an individual is unable to speak directly to a teacher rather than a message being relayed through another employee.

8. Financials

- a. Approve the following financial reports:
 - i. Warrant 2/10/25
 - ii. Warrant 2/20/25
 - iii. Warrant Health Insurance
 - iv. Treasurer's Report February 2025

Motion: Evan George Second: Tom Broderick Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

9. CSE Recommendations

- a. Accept and approve the following CSE recommendation for student #12647.

Motion: Darlene Hooper Second: Tom Broderick Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

10. Action Items - Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the Section VII Combining of Teams Application with Moriah Central School for track and field 2024-25 school year.
- b. Accept a grant from Adirondack Foreign Language Enhancement Fund at Adirondack Foundation in the amount of \$1,800 for project "Cultural immersion in Montreal" requested by Jacqueline Chan-Seng.
- c. Approve the disposal of multiple obsolete chromebooks, laptops, hotspots, a palm pilot, a switch and a fax/printer located at the LVC (see attached).

- d. Accept and approve the proposal received from Ryan's Masonry in the amount of \$18,500 for required masonry work at the Lake View Campus.
- e. Approve the 2025-2026 Lake View and Mountain View school calendars as presented.

Motion: Evan George Second: Deb Spaulding Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

11. Personnel - Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the following permanent civil service position appointments:
 - i. Craig O'Leary-Cumber 12 month Maintenance Person/Bus Driver effective March 17, 2025,
 - ii. Brody Lobdell 10 month Teacher Aide effective March 21, 2025, and
 - iii. Tom Graham 12 month Cleaner effective March 25, 2025
- b. Accept and approve the letters of resignation as submitted by:
 - i. Travis Mauro from his position as Special Education teacher effective February 28, 2025,
 - ii. Kelsey Moore from her position as English teacher effective February 28, 2025,
 - iii. Amy Welch from her position as Elementary teacher effective March 3, 2025,
 - iv. Ryan Cave from his position as Food Service Helper effective March 11, 2025,
 - v. Brody Lobdell from his position as Teacher Aide effective March 27, 2025,
 - vi. Tyler Atwell from his position as Head Custodian/Bus Driver effective April 30, 2025, and
 - vii. Allison Whalen from the position of Junior Class Co-Advisor effective March 12, 2025.
- c. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the tenure track appointment of Shannon Baumann to the full-time 10 month position of School Social Worker tenure area School Social Worker effective January 23, 2025 for a probationary period commencing on January 23, 2025 and anticipated to end on January 23, 2029. This appointment will replace her feinerman agreement appointment for the 2024-2025 school year.
- d. Approve the hourly rate increase for Craig O'Leary-Cumber from \$18.25 to \$19.25 effective (retroactive to) February 24, 2025 as a result of obtaining his Class B Commercial (CDL) license.
- e. Approve the daily rate increase for long-term substitute Susan Stafford-Gough from \$200 to \$250 effective (retroactive to) February 24, 2025 through April 28, 2025.
- f. Approve the request received from Malinda Fleming to extend her maternity leave from April 28, 2025 to May 27, 2025.
- g. Approve the appointment of Brad Schrauf as Detention Monitor for the 2024-2025 school year paid at the stipend per the current BVFT contract.

- h. Approve the appointment of the following employees as mentors for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year effective March 3, 2025 paid at the (prorated) stipend per the current BVFT contract:
 - i. Rhonda Sloper
 - ii. Lorraine Hathaway
- i. Approve the appointment of Muriel Kerr to the position of long-term (non-certified) substitute for music at a daily rate of \$125 effective February 27, 2025 through approximately June 27, 2025.
- j. Approve the appointment of Veronica Uss to the position of English teacher effective February 24, 2025 through approximately June 27, 2025 at a (prorated) salary of \$84,652.
- k. Approve the appointment of Robert Schultz to the full-time (12 month) civil service position of cleaner at an hourly rate of \$17.00 effective February 25, 2025 with a 120 day probationary period commencing February 25, 2025 and ending approximately August 15, 2025 (fingerprint clearance on file).
- l. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Amy Welch, who has professional certification in the Literacy tenure area, is hereby appointed to the position of Reading Teacher for a probationary period commencing on March 3, 2025 and anticipated to end on or about March 3, 2027 per the Memorandum of Agreement between BVCSD and the BVFT dated March 11, 2025. There will be no change in salary for the 2024-25 school year.
- m. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Travis Mauro, who has initial certification in the Early Childhood Education (Birth - Grade 2) tenure area, is hereby appointed to the position of Elementary Teacher for a probationary period commencing on March 3, 2025 and anticipated to end on or about March 3, 2029. There will be no change in salary for the 2024-25 school year.
- n. Accept and approve the Memorandum of Agreement between BVCSD and the BVFT adding Weightlifting Coach to the list of extracurricular positions in Article XVII subsection G at a stipend of \$3,076 effective with the 2024-2025 school year.
- o. Approve the appointment of Paul Buehler to the extracurricular position of Weightlifting Coach for the 2024-2025 school year at a stipend of \$3,076.

Motion: Tom Broderick Second: Deb Spaulding Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

- p. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Kelsey Moore, who has pending initial certification in the Students with Disabilities (All Grades) tenure area, is hereby appointed to the position of Special Education Teacher for a probationary period commencing on March 3, 2025 and anticipated to end on or about March 3, 2029. There will be no change in salary for the 2024-25 school year.

Motion: Evan George Second: Tom Broderick Yes: 3 No: 2 Abstain: 0 ~~Accept~~ Reject
 Roll Call Vote: Reynolds - yes, George - yes, Broderick - yes, Hooper - no, Spaulding - no

12. Policy - None at this time

13. Principal's Report - Kelly Zimmerman, Assistant Principal Health & Wellness - see attached

14. Superintendent's Update - see attached

- a. District Grants Update: ESSA, ESD, 611/619, Title I/II/IV, UPK
- b. Budget Workshop #2
 - i. The Board of Education approves proposition #2 to be placed on the ballot at the Annual Budget Vote & Election to be held on May 20, 2025:
 1. To elect three (3) members to the Board of Education for three year terms commencing July 1, 2025 and expiring on June 30, 2028 to succeed Tom Broderick, Heather Reynolds and Sue Russell whose terms expire on June 30, 2025, and one (1) member to the Board of Education to fill an unexpired term commencing May 20, 2025 and expiring on June 30, 2026. Voters may vote for four (4) trustees.
 - ii. The Board of Education approves proposition #3 to be placed on the ballot at the Annual Budget Vote & Election to be held on May 20, 2025:
 1. Shall the Board of Education appropriate and expend in the 2025-2026 fiscal year three hundred fifty-seven thousand dollars (\$357,000) from the existing Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing two (2) sixty-five (65) passenger school buses at a maximum cost of three hundred fifty-seven thousand dollars (\$357,000) to pay for the buses in full?
 - iii. The Board of Education approves proposition #4 to be placed on the ballot at the Annual Budget Vote & Election to be held on May 20, 2025:
 1. Shall the Board of Education appropriate and expend in the 2025-2026 fiscal year one hundred fifty-one thousand dollars (\$151,000) from the existing Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing one (1) seven (7) passenger van, one (1) plow truck and (1) tractor at a maximum cost of one hundred fifty-one thousand dollars (\$151,000) to pay for the van, truck and tractor in full?

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- c. Superintendent's Report

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Jim Jackson asked where the information/documents from the Superintendent's Report would be available. Superintendent Reports are posted on the District website.

16. Executive Session

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In: 7:24 PM Motion: Evan George Second: Darlene Hooper Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Accept

Out: 8:46 PM Motion: Darlene Hooper Second: Tom Broderick Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Accept

No action taken.

17. Next Meeting

- a. Budget Meeting ~~Thursday March 27, 2025~~ Tuesday, March 25, 2025 6:00 PM
Mountain View Campus
- b. Regular Meeting Thursday, April 10, 2025 6:00 PM Lake View Campus

18. Adjournment

Time: 8:46 PM Motion: Evan George Second: Tom Broderick Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0
Accept

Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Education.

Date approved by the BOE:

Jana Atwell, District Clerk