

New Hartford Board of Education Meeting
Board Special Education Meeting
June 4, 2020
6:00 PM /Virtual Meeting
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Meeting ID: 831 0902 6194/Password: nhps2020

Board Members Present:

Tim Goff, Chairman
Karl Hermonat, Vice Chairman
Tom Buzzi
Timothy Klepps
Penny Miller
Kelly O'Dell Longhi
Tony Persechino
Mary Stempien
Heather Tomala

Also Present:

Brian Murphy- Superintendent of Schools
Kelly Carroll - New Hartford Elementary and Bakerville School Principal
Amanda Shaw- Antolini School Principal
Linda Fitzgerald- Data Management Coordinator
Diane Barrett-Recording Secretary
Open to the public per Zoom invitation

A. Chair to Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Goff at 6:06 pm. Tim explains this is a Virtual Meeting. The public is allowed to listen and send in public comment to the Chairman's email. If there are questions or comments for the Board, please email Tim Goff @ gofft@newhtfd.org.

B. The Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

C. Chair Select Order of Business

Mr. Goff stated that this is the final meeting before the end of the school year. He gave a "Thank you" to the administration, the teachers, the support staff, and everyone that made this school year possible. He emphasized that New Hartford is an amazing school district. He wishes all a happy summer and thanks all for their hard work, especially over the last few months.

Chairman Goff recognized Craig Drezek, Superintendent of magnet schools and educational partnerships at Goodwin University, who passed away on June 3, 2020. Mr. Drezek attended the October 15, 2019 BOE meeting, was a good friend of Superintendent Murphy, and helped spearhead the advanced manufacturing program with Goodwin University for New Hartford Public Schools. Chairman Goff requested a moment of silence for his passing.

D. Old Business

1. 2019 2020 Budget

Chairman Goff reviewed the discussion of the last BOE meeting about the \$100,000 in realized savings due to the school closure from Covid 19. The Board of Finance voted to create this nonlapsing account and add the \$100,000 in realized savings into this account. This account would be used to offset the unexpected expenses of probable Covid 19 related expenditures when returning to school, or other unanticipated costs throughout the school year. Any deposits or withdrawals from this nonlapsing account would have to be pre approved by the BOE and the Board of Finance.

MOTION by Miller to have New Hartford Board of Education add \$100,000 in anticipated savings from the 2019 2020 New Hartford BOE budget year to the recently established 10-248A nonlapsing account which was previously approved by the New Hartford Board of Finance during the May 28, 2020 Board of Finance meeting, seconded by Buzzi.

Motion passes *Unanimous*

2. 2020 2021 Budget

Chairman Goff states this is the most grueling budget season he has ever been a part of; many ups and downs, The BOE offered up the \$100,000 in the beginning and a reduction of \$75,000 in the Capital Fund. Superintendent Murphy discussed the recommendations of the additional reductions 2020 2021 BOE budget:

Maintenance	\$16,000 reduction -
Certified Teacher Salary	\$10,000 reduction-
Textbooks	\$ 5,000 reduction
Professional Development	\$15,000 reduction
Teaching Supplies	<u>\$ 4,000 reduction</u>
	\$50,000 total reduction BOE 2020 2021 Budget

MOTION by Miller to reduce the New Hartford Public Schools' budget 2020 2021 by \$50,000 as presented by Superintendent Murphy, seconded by Persechino.

In Favor: Goff, Hermonat, Buzzi, Klepps, Miller, Persechino, Stempien and Tomala
Opposed: O'Dell Longhi *Motion Passes*

MOTION by Miller to approve the 2020 2021 New Hartford Public Schools' operating budget in the amount of \$8,539,106.00, seconded by Persechino.

Discussion note: It is the original operating budget approved by the BOE in Feb 2020, less \$50,000, representing a 2.25% increase in this budget.

Motion Passes *Unanimous*

Chairman Goff states that the next regular BOE meeting is June 16, 2020.

6:45 pm ADJOURNMENT MOTION by Miller to adjourn meeting , seconded by Stempien. *Unanimous*

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Barrett
Recording Secretary