

GENERAL BROWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
17643 Cemetery Road - P.O. Box 500 - Dexter, New York 13634
REGULAR MEETING
May 11, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – This meeting was held remotely via Webex

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Klindt, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT by roll call: Sandra Young Klindt, President; Natalie Hurley, Vice President; Daniel Dupee II; Tiffany Orcesi; Jamie Lee; Albert Romano, Jr.; Kelly Milkowich

OTHERS PARTICIPATING via Webex – Barbara J. Case, Superintendent; Lisa K. Smith, Assistant Superintendent; Michael Parobeck, Network Administrator; Debra L. Bennett, District Clerk

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion for approval by Tiffany Orcesi, seconded by Kelly Milkowich, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes
Albert Romano	voting	Yes
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes

The motion is approved 7-0.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT REQUESTS - No requests at this time.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion for approval of the following items as listed under the CONSENT AGENDA is made by Natalie Hurley, and seconded by Daniel Dupee with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes
Albert Romano	voting	Yes
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes

The motion is approved 7-0

1. Approval of Minutes as listed:
 - April 6, 2020 – Regular Meeting
 - April 21, 2020 – Special Meeting
2. Approval of Building and Grounds Requests – None
3. Approval of Conferences and Workshops – None
4. Approval of Conferences and Workshops as per *My Learning Plan Report* – None
5. Approval of Financial Reports / Warrants for March 2020

D. REGULAR AGENDA

Other Discussion and Action Items:

Board Member Reports / Staff Member Reports and Presentations

1. Comments / Information from Board Members – Board members shared information and comment regarding NYSSBA webinars, JLSBA webinars, and professional development.
2. Staff Member Reports as provided.
3. Staff Member Presentations – None at this time.

Items for Board Information / Discussion

4. Board Discussion – Board of Education candidates are providing written statements and photos by June 1st to be posted on the website. Information should be emailed to dbennett@gblions.org.
5. Board Information – Policy Review
 - 1st Reading – **Policy #5672 Information Security Breach Policy** (Required)
 - 1st Reading – **Policy #7240 Education Records** (Required and Replacing 7240; 7242; 7243)
 - 1st Reading – **Policy #7317 Protection of Student, Teacher, and Principal Personal Information (Data Security and Privacy)** (Required)
6. Board Information – Results of voting held on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 for the 2020-2021 Administrative Budget of the Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida BOCES, and the election of four members to the Jefferson-Lewis BOCES Board of Education:
 - Approval of the 2020-2021 Administrative Budget Voting Yes: 18 Voting No: 0
 - Members elected to serve three year terms of office to commence July 1, 2020:
 - Alice Draper / Belleville Henderson Central School District Votes received – 18
 - Grace H. Rice / South Lewis Central School District Votes received – 18
 - Barbara Lofink / Carthage Central School District Votes received – 18
 - Member elected to serve a two year term of office to commence April 22, 2020:
 - Jennifer Jones / Beaver River Central School District Votes received – 17
7. Board Information – Twenty-Week Marking Period Report – Jr./Sr. High School

Items for Board Discussion / Action

8. Board Action – Approval of a donation in the amount of \$500 from Northern New York Community Foundation in support of our backpack program.
 Motion for approval by Jamie Lee, seconded by Natalie Hurley, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Romano	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0
9. Board Action – Approval of a donation in the amount of \$125 from Watertown Evening Rotary Charitable Fund in support of our backpack program.
 Motion for approval by Tiffany Orcesi, seconded by Kelly Milkowich, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0
10. Board Action – Approval of the 2019-2020 Fire Inspection Report
 Motion for approval by Albert Romano, seconded by Daniel Dupee, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0.

- 11. Board Action – **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the General Brown Central School District Board of Education takes action on the following resolution regarding the Black River Hydroelectric, LLC tax certiorari:

RESOLUTION

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the General Brown Central School District (the “Board of Education”), virtually held on May 11, 2020 [messenger @webex.com];

The meeting was called to order by Sandra Young Klindt, President of the Board of Education, and upon roll being called, the following members were:

PRESENT REMOTELY: Sandra Young Klindt; Natalie Hurley; Daniel Dupee II; Tiffany Orcesi; Jamie Lee; Albert Romano, Jr.; Kelly Milkowich

ABSENT: none

OTHERS ALSO PRESENT REMOTELY: Barbara J. Case; Lisa Smith; Michael Parobeck; Debra L. Bennett

The following Resolution was offered by Daniel Dupee, and seconded by Kelly Milkowich.

WHEREAS, Black River Hydroelectric, LLC (“Black River”) filed tax certiorari proceedings challenging the assessment of its property located on Main Street in the Town of Brownville, for the 2018-19 and 2019-20 tax years; and

WHEREAS, Black River has proposed discontinuing these proceedings with no real property tax refunds if the 2020 assessment is reduced to \$38,500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brownville supports the settlement proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is willing to settle the proceedings pursuant to the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- 1. The Board of Education agrees to settle the tax certiorari proceedings commenced by Black River in accordance with the terms set forth above and in the form approved by Ferrara Fiorenza PC and hereby delegates to Ferrara Fiorenza PC the authority to execute such settlement documents.
- 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved with AYES 7- NAYS 0.

The Resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

Dated: May 11, 2020

Debra L. Bennett, School District Clerk
General Brown Central School District

- 12. Board Action – **BE IT RESOLVED**, that Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the General Brown Central School District Board of Education hereby takes action to approve the **Inter-Municipal Cooperation Agreement for Legal Services** through Jefferson-Lewis BOCES, in the amount of \$22,000 for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the contract.

Motion for approval by Tiffany Orcesi, seconded by Albert Romano, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes

Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0.

13. Board Action – **BE IT RESOLVED**, that Upon the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the General Brown Central School District Board of Education hereby takes action to approve **Hearing Officer Services** through the Office of Inter-Municipal Legal Services at Jefferson-Lewis BOCES in the amount of \$3,700 for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, to be billed through an approved CoSer subject to State aids reimbursement rates, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the contract.

Motion for approval by Natalie Hurley, seconded by Albert Romano, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0.

14. Board Action - Approval of **Committee on Special Education Reports**

Motion for approval by Jamie Lee, seconded by Daniel Dupee, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0.

E. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION – PERSONNEL

15. Board Action Personnel changes as listed:

A motion for approval of the following PERSONNEL CHANGES, with *effective dates* as listed is made by Albert Romano, seconded by Kelly Milkowich, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes	
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes	
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes	
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes	
Albert Romano	voting	Yes	
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes	
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0.

(A) Retirements: None

(B) Resignations:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Jessica (Bower) Smay	Social Studies Teacher	June 30, 2020
Jillian Goodrich	Elementary Teacher (AIS)	August 31, 2020

(C) Appointments: None

F. SUPERINTENDENTS’ REPORTS

16. Assistant Superintendent Smith reviewed changes and guidance with regard to the budget vote to be held on June 9th by absentee ballot, and the Budget Hearing scheduled for June 1, 2020.

17. Superintendent Case shared the following information in addition to her written report. Principals have been working with staff to coordinate teacher pick-up of personal materials from classrooms and then they will be coordinating the same for

pick-up of students’ personal items. Emails will be going out to parents on Wednesday and information will be posted to the website and facebook as well.

G. CORRESPONDENCE & UPCOMING EVENTS

18. Correspondence Log

H. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETINGS

19. *June 1, 2020 – Annual Meeting/Budget Hearing* will be held remotely beginning at 5:30 p.m.

20. *June 15, 2020 – Regular Meeting* will be held remotely beginning at 5:30 p.m.

I. MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

21. **There being no further business or discussion**, a motion is requested to adjourn the regular meeting.

Motion for approval by Tiffany Orcesi, seconded by Daniel Dupee, with roll call vote as follows:

Natalie Hurley	voting	Yes		
Daniel Dupee	voting	Yes		
Tiffany Orcesi	voting	Yes		
Jamie Lee	voting	Yes		
Albert Romano	voting	Yes		
Kelly Milkowich	voting	Yes		
Sandra Klindt	voting	Yes	The motion is approved 7-0.	Time adjourned: 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Debra L. Bennett, District Clerk

- Supporting documents may be found in supplemental file dated May 11, 2020