

MINUTES OF
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
June 20, 2023

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- HELD IN:** District Office
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tracy Allen-Waite, Michelle Pelkey, Norman Lewis, Dan Ashline-Beaudet, and Charlene Favaro.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Amy Belair
- ALSO PRESENT:** Javier Perez, Danielle McAfee, Brent Denis. Jessica Mitchell, Kathy Moore, and Dale LaVarnway.
- MEETING TO ORDER:** President Allen-Waite called the meeting to order at 5:29 p.m.
- PLEDGE:** President Waite then led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Motion by Dan Ashline-Beaudet, seconded by Charlene Favaro, to approve the minutes of the June 05, 2023, Regular Board meeting.
All in favor.
- SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:** Mr. Perez Spoke about the end of the year celebrations going on at every building. He said it was great to see so many people after everything with the pandemic. Kathy Moore said that our school family really shines when we all can come together. For the mascot, we are working on the logo with a company, and we will narrow it down and have the community's input before the official decision is made. Brent Denis said our athletic teams did amazing this year. We were awarded with as a school of distinction for having 25 out of 24 scholar athletes recognized. Brent also said that the first season of Flag Football did incredibly well and that the team was able to go to the NY Giants training facility and met the owner, coach, and 2-star players. Student Representative Dale LaVarnway said that students are relaxing a bit now that regents are over. He said the student body is very pleased with the mascot and how everyone was able to have a voice and vote!
- 23-24 REORG** Official decision to have the Reorg. Meeting on Thursday July 06th, 2023.
- PUBLIC COMMENT:** No one was in attendance of the meeting from the public.
- BUDGETARY TRANSFER REPORT:** Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Michelle Pelkey, to approve the Budgetary Transfer Report- May 2023.
All in favor.
- SCHEDULE OF CLAIMS:** Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Michelle Pelkey, to approve the Schedules of Claims:
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| 1. | General Fund- May 2023 | Check #194145-194334 | \$1,400,894.10 |
| 2. | School Lunch- May 2023 | Check #14545-14554 | \$25,333.36 |
| 3. | Special Aid- May 2023 | Check #7732-7746 | \$32,689.25 |
| 4. | Capital Projects- May 2023 | Check #2601-2608 | \$123,242.91 |
- All in favor.
- REORG MEETING DATE:** Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to hold the annual Reorganization Meeting for the Saranac Central School District on **Thursday, July 06, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**
All in favor.
- CSEA APPOINTMENT:** Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to appoint Martha Smith to the position of Registered School Nurse effective September 01, 2023, at a salary of \$44,939, step 11 of the current salary schedule, and with a 52-week probationary appointment.
Smith
All in favor.

MS/HS SUMMER SCHOOL:

Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the 2023 Middle and High School Summer Program as follows:

July 10, 2023, to July 27, 2023, Monday through Thursday, no classes on Friday (12 sessions total), Summer School for MS/HS students. We will not be using the APEX program and teachers will lead the courses using feedback from previous years' teachers and current curriculum standards to close the gaps. The subjects covered for all grades will be ELA, Math, Social Studies, and Science. We are looking to hire 1 teacher for each grade level/subject area. The HS may require 2 teachers in math/science. We are also looking for a program coordinator, nurse, and student aide support. Staff hours will be from 9 a.m.-2:00 a.m. and pay will be at the per diem rate with one prep and a 30-minute lunch included in that time frame.

Appoint the following staff for 2023 Summer School July 10 – July 27, 9 a.m.-1:50 p.m.: Shannon Zagres, Tracy Manor, Jess Mitchell, Brent Denis, and Katie Francisco will rotate admin coverage.

Grades 6, 7, 8 ELA, SS, Math, Science Teachers (5 teachers total) – 4-5 hours per day (3 courses and 1 prep or 4 courses and 1 prep (if HS course is needed). 5 hours per day at \$70 per hour (per-diem max) is \$350 per day for a total of \$4200 per teacher (12 days).

Grades 9, 10, 11 ELA, SS, Math, Science Teachers (8 teachers total including a sub) – 4-5 hours per day (3 course and 1 prep or 4 courses and 1 prep). 5 hours per day at \$70 per hour (per diem max) is \$350 per day for a total of \$4200 per teacher (12 days).

Program Coordinator/Special Educator (MS/HS): Marie Williams will coordinate summer programs, help cover maintenance and clerical work during the program, and be a liaison between school and home. Her total number of hours would not exceed 75. (Hourly rate is \$41.39)

MS aide for study hall/lunch – \$15 per hour for 5 hours per day (\$75 per day), not to exceed 60 hours.

HS aide for study hall/lunch - \$15 per hour for 5 hours per day, not to exceed 60 hours.

Nurse: (shared MS/HS) - Contractual hourly rate, estimated \$TBA per hour (estimated based on L. Tripp hourly rate), not to exceed a total of 60 hours.

Transportation: To authorize the use of district buses to provide transportation for the MS/HS students.

Hourly Rates:

MS Staff teaching: Jim Ryan (\$61.00), Holly Smith (\$37.33), Sandra Wilkins (\$55.86), Kade Sewell (\$38.29), Jen Delisle (\$55.05)

HS Staff teaching: Amy Williams (\$39.20), John Roth (\$55.81), Danielle Squire (\$54.81), Joan Seidel (\$52.25), Dan Munson (\$36.60), Cullen Coryer (\$56.86), Donna Lynch (\$51.74).

Sub: Kristie Breyette (\$55.84)

Nurse: Linda Tripp (30.64) , Sub: Bernadette Antonucci (\$30.00)

HS Aides: Kim Miller (\$15) JoAnne Balch (\$15) (sharing the allotted days)

MS Aides: Carol Plumley (\$15) Tammy Cringle (\$15) (sharing the allotted days)

All in favor.

MES/SES SUMMER SCHOOL:

Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the 2023 Morrisonville and Saranac Elementary Summer Program as follows:

2-week Summer Program, effective July 24, 2023, through August 4, 2023 (Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:00 direct instruction, 11:00-11:45 preparation). The goal of the program is to provide instruction in the areas of ELA (reading) and Math for students who have been identified through the RTI process as needing additional support. The program will focus on basic skill instruction/reinforcement to strengthen the students' skill and foundation to better prepare them for the start of the next school year. The program will also include a Social Emotional Learning component to assist students who need assistance from the support of the School

Counselor/School Psychologist. Each grade level team has identified students from each building (students in total) who will benefit from this program.

Program Administrators:

Appoint Kathy Moore, and Connie Garman as co-administrators without additional compensation, for administrative services from July 24, 2023, through August 4, 2023.

Program Nurse (MES):

Appoint Martha Smith as school nurse with total hours not to exceed 25 hours at their respective contractual hourly rate. (\$29.29)

Program Instructors (MES):

1. Appoint the following at their respective summer hourly rate:

Jessica Phillips (\$42.45)	Kelly Duffy-Coryer(\$51.07)	Lindsay Oertel(\$43.63)
Kristina Brown(\$63.68)	Susan Titus(\$37.33)	Stephanie Trombley (\$56.80)
Whitney Denton(\$40.51)	Kari Pearsall (44.43)	Heather Tedford(\$54.74)
Nicole Brooker(\$44.28)	Amy Pflanz(\$36.60)	Danielle Brown (\$40.28)
Jeremy Patnode(44.56) (one week)		Cathy Damone (62.10) (one week)

Appoint the following at \$30 per hour: Terrie Fleming

Their total number of hours will not exceed 32.5 hours (each). The hours will include 45 minutes of preparation time each day.

Program Nurse (SES):

Appoint Emily Brown (28.65) (one week) and alternate (one week) with total hours not to exceed 25 hours at their respective contractual hourly rate.

Program Instructors (SES):

2. Appoint the following at their respective summer hourly rate:

Angelica Harrigan (40.00)	Kristen Flynn (\$43.24)	Shana Kirk (\$46.43)
Amber Liberty(\$55.84)	Kayla Nason(\$43.56)	Katharine Blair(\$42.28)
Heidi Mather(\$66.11)	Michelle Hamel(\$55.15)	Lindsey Cairns(\$46.87)
Lisa Layhee(\$60.76)	Christyn Denial (\$54.72)	Jennifer Ovios (\$61.90) (week)

Their total number of hours will not exceed 32.5 hours (each). The hours will include 45 minutes of preparation time each day.

Transportation:

To authorize the use of District buses to provide transportation for the Middle/High School and Elementary School program not to exceed \$15,000.
All in favor.

**NEW MASCOT ADOPTION:
"Spartans"**

Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the following:

WHEREAS, in December 2022, the New York State Board of Regents considered adoption of new regulations prohibiting the use of Indigenous Names, Mascots and Logos by public schools (<https://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1222p12d2.pdf>); and,

WHEREAS, at its May 3, 2023, meeting, the Regents adopted the proposed new regulation; and,

WHEREAS, such regulation mandates all public schools, by board resolution, eliminate use of Indigenous names, logos, and mascots by the end of the 2022-2023 school year (8 NYCRR 123.3); and,

WHEREAS, guidance provided by the New York State Education Department advises school districts that the use of terms, including “Chief” are inconsistent with the newly adopted regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the District is currently referred to as the Saranac Chiefs; and,

WHEREAS, the Board, Superintendent and District desire to act consistent with the new regulations:

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

1. No later than June 30, 2025, the term/name “Chief” shall cease to be used in any manner or form as part of the District’s name and/or logo and/or representation related to the District; and,
2. The Board of Education hereby adopts, effective July 1, 2023, the name **Saranac Spartans** to represent the district, and directs that henceforth, any District team name, logo and/or mascot be consistent with that name; and
3. Directs the Superintendent to take all actions necessary and proper to implement the name change directed herein.

All in favor.

VERBAL RESIGNATION: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to accept a verbal resignation from Audrey Brayton from her Custodial Worker position (full-time) retroactive to June 9, 2023. All in favor.
Brayton

TENURE TRACK - TRANSFER: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to appoint Laura Begor to a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Special Education Teacher effective September 01, 2023, to August 31, 2027. Laura transferred to this Special Education Tenure track from her Elementary Education Tenure track in the district. All in favor.
Begor

BC/BA APPOINTMENT: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to appoint Andrea Martino to the position of BC/BA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst) effective September 01, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, at a salary of \$69,965. All in favor.
Martino

CO-CURRICULAR ADVISORS: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the following recommended appointments as co-curricular advisors for the 2023-2024 school year:

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| >Senior Class Advisors | D. Squire/ J. Lederman |
| >Junior Class Advisors | C. Marino/ D. Lynch |
| >Sophomore Class Advisors | N. Jones/ L.Norcross |
| >Freshmen Class Advisors | TBD |
| >Freshmen Academy Advisors | D. Squier/A Rosenbaum/M Johnson |
| >AED Coordinator | C. Marino |
| >Art Advisor | G. Girard |
| >Builders Club Advisor | H. Grenier-Smith |
| >Central Treasurer | H. Weightman |

- >College Admissions Testing Coord.
 - >Drama – Senior High
 - >Drama – Middle School
 - >English Dept. Chair
 - >Key Club Advisor
 - >Library Club
 - >Math Dept. Chair
 - >Model United Nations Advisor**
 - >Multicultural Club Advisors
 - >Musical Advisor
 - >Musical Pit Orchestra**
 - >Musical Assistant
 - >National Honor Society
 - >National Junior Honor Society
 - >Outdoor Club Advisor
 - >SADD Club Advisors
 - >Science Dept. Chair
 - >Social Studies Dept. Chair
 - >Special Ed. Dept. Chair
 - >STEM
 - >Student Council – Middle School
 - >Student Council—High School
 - >School Calendar
 - >Technology Leader- HS
 - >Technology Leader- MS
 - >Technology Leader- SES
 - >Technology Leader-MES
 - >Yearbook Advisor**
 - >Yearbook Advisor – SES
 - >Yearbook Advisor – MES
 - >Yearbook Advisor – MS
 - All in favor.
- A. Rosenbaum
 - E. Harrington
 - A. Duquette/ B. Miller
 - S. Webster
 - J. Seidel
 - S. Rock
 - G. Zurlo
 - TBD**
 - T. Figoni / B. LePage
 - E. Harrington
 - TBD**
 - R. Shuman
 - C. Marino
 - J. Myers/A. Carter
 - J. Seidel
 - K. Brown/ A. Eney
 - W. Kneussle
 - C. Coryer
 - J. Lederman
 - M. Williams
 - A. Reil
 - Danielle Squier
 - K. DeLutis
 - W. Kneussle
 - R. Shuman
 - L. Layhee
 - K. Parrotte
 - TBD**
 - K. Imhoff
 - B. Bowen / M. Breyette
 - J. Drucker

FUEL AWARD:

Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to award the Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel Bid to Adirondack Energy for delivery to our Bus Garage building for the 2023-2024 school year in the following amount:

Delivery Location:	Product:	Cost:
Bus Garage	ULSD	Plan B-Fixed 2.8722
All in favor.		

SUBSTITUTES:

Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to appoint the following individuals as temporary, on-call emergency conditional basis staff. These individuals have received fingerprint clearance and the appointments are effective the first day of employment:

- o Ethan Steenberge -Non-Teaching
- o Darren Utzler -Non-teaching

All in favor.

**CHAMPLAIN VALLEY
FAMILY CENTER:**

Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contract with Champlain Valley Family Center for Drug Treatment and Youth Services, Inc. for 5 days of prevention services a week to the Elementary buildings for the 2023-2024 school year in an amount not to exceed the total of \$32,000 for the school year.

All in favor.

SUMMER BUS DRIVERS: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to appoint the following individuals for the 2023 CVES Summer School Program and/or the 2023 Saranac Central School District Summer School Program, at a rate of pay per contract agreement (Drivers-\$28.97)

Bus Drivers: Jennifer Argentieri, Phil Avanzato, Yvonne Corkey, Robert Bordeau, Jeffrey Gadway, Darren Utzler
Bus Monitors: Nancy McCray (\$15.77), Gary Passino (\$16.01), Veronica Vann (\$25.41)
Sub Bus Driver: Stephen Brown
All in favor.

ADULT EDUCATION: CV-TEC Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the agreement with Champlain Valley educational Services for the CV-TEC Adult Education and Safety Education Sponsorship Agreement for the 2023-2024 School Year.
All in favor.

PALS APPROVAL Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the PALS After School Program at Saranac Elementary School and Morrisonville Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year.
All in favor.

CSE RECOMMENDATIONS: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the CSE, CPSE, and/or 504 recommendations for this school year as well as for next school year, of May 31, 2023, and June 2, 6-8, 12, 2023.
All in favor.

NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the following non-resident students to attend the Saranac Central School District as non-tuition and tuition paying students for the 2023-2024 school year:

<u>Student:</u>	<u>Grade:</u>
A	6
B	3
D	6
F	12
G	11
H	8
I	5
J	8
K	9
L	6
M	K
N	6
O	11
P	11
Q	10
R	1
S	10
T	4
U	3
V	5
W	K
X	6
Y	4

<u>Student:</u>	<u>Grade:</u>
Z	K
AA	K
AB	6
AC	9
AD	6
AE	K
AF	12
AG	8
AH	11
AI	8
AJ	7
AK	3
AL	4

All in favor.

SUMMER SPEECH SERVICES: Brooker Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to allow Nicole Brooker, Speech and Language Teacher, to provide summer speech services for a total not to exceed 15 hours at an hourly rate of \$44.28.
All in favor.

SUMMER SPEECH SERVICES: Reynolds Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to allow Aimee Reynolds, Speech and Language Teacher, to provide summer speech services for a total not to exceed 15 hours at an hourly rate of \$38.76.
All in favor.

SUMMER INSTRUCTION: Utzler Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to allow Jacolyn Utzler, Elementary Education Teacher, to provide summer Specially Designed Instruction for a total not to exceed 90 hours at an hourly rate of \$48.12
All in favor.

3RD SUBMISSION INVESTMENT PLAN: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the Smart Schools Preliminary Investment Plan Third submission for funds totaling \$199,625.
All in favor.

BUS LEASE AGREEMENT: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Tracy Allen-Waite, to approve the 2023-2024 Bus Lease Agreement with Plattsburgh City School District at a rate of \$4.23 per mile, plus the cost of the driver, if provided.
All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Charlene Favaro, seconded by Dan Ashline-Beaudet, to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m.
All in favor.



Amber L. Parrotte, District Clerk

