

BRASHER FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Board of Education Meeting

St. Lawrence Central MS/HS Library

Monday, October 16, 2023 6:00 PM

AGENDA

Board of Education Members:

Sarah Ashley
Abdo Bejjani
Seth Belt
Katy Brown
Julie Carvel-Liberty
Courtney Hallahan
Terri Rios-Passon
Bethany St. Hilaire
Beth Todd

Administrators:

Christopher Rose, Superintendent of Schools
Kathy Mitchell, Business Manager
Kristen Zender, High School Principal
Jamie LaBarge, Middle School Principal
Danielle Colterman, Elementary School Principal
Katherine LaVigne, Admin. Dir. Of Special Serv.
Timothy Redmond, Dir. of Trans/Bldg & Gnds
Kevin Welsh, Dir. of Data & Technology

District Clerk: Cindy Delisle

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentations – Board Recognition

Senior All Night Party Committee

Desiree Backus - DEI

Elementary AIS Teachers – Science of Reading

Approval of Agenda - Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the agenda for this Regular Board of Education meeting.

Approval of Minutes - Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the minutes of the September 18, 2023 Regular Board of Education meeting and the October 4, 2023 Special Board of Education meeting, as per enclosures.

Administrative Reports – Superintendent of Schools

a) Capital Project Update

Board Communications

Policy Reading – The Board of Education is presented with the first reading of policy by State or Federal Law and/or Regulation:

- **Policy 7316 - Student Use of Personal Technology**

Action Items

1. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following financial reports:
 - a) Treasurer's Report – September 2023
 - b) Claim Auditor's Report – September 2023
 - c) Revenue Status Reports – September 2023
 - d) Budget Status Reports – September 2023
 - e) Budget Transfers – September 2023

- f) Extra-Curricular Qtrly Report – September 2023
- g) Cafeteria/School Lunch Qtrly Report – September 2023

FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

- Warrant/Check Register – September 2023
- Dashboard Report – September 2023

2. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose Superintendent of Schools, adopts the following SEQR Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Brasher Falls Central School District (the “District”) seeks to undertake a project, including, but not limited to:

Middle/High School: Building interior and exterior upgrades, environmental improvements, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing system upgrades, site lighting and site improvements including parking asphalt upgrades, ADA accessibility upgrades, fencing replacements, playground improvements, new 2,700 sf +/- pole barn, and athletic facility improvements. Athletic facility improvements include upgrading the baseball and softball fields and drainage.

Elementary School: Building interior and exterior upgrades, environmental improvements, electrical, mechanical, plumbing system upgrades, and site improvements including parking/asphalt upgrades, ADA accessibility upgrades, fencing replacements, and purchase of the property at 46 George Street, demolition of the residential house and construction of a new 20 car +/- parking lot.

Bus Garage: Building interior and exterior upgrades, environmental improvements, electrical, mechanical, plumbing system upgrades, and site improvements including fencing replacements and storm water drainage replacement/ maintenance.

WHEREAS, the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the regulations thereunder require the Board to undertake a review of the potential environmental impacts, if any, associated with the project before approving same; and

WHEREAS, this project is an Unlisted action within the meaning of SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2023 a notice was transmitted to all involved agencies of the Board’s desire to act as lead agency with respect to the environmental review of the proposed Project; and

WHEREAS, no agency has objected to the designation of the Board as lead agency with respect to the environmental review of the proposed Project; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR Section 617.7 requires a lead agency to issue a written determination of significance with respect to any proposed Unlisted action;

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the nature and scope of the proposed Project, as prepared by the District’s architect and as set forth in the Environmental Assessment Form prepared with respect to such action, and makes the following determinations:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action is an Unlisted within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.2(ak); and it is further.

RESOLVED that the Board hereby declares itself lead agency with respect to the environmental review of the proposed project; and it is further.

RESOLVED, that upon consideration of the foregoing, the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse impacts to the environment; and it is further.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby issues a Negative Declaration with respect to the proposed action; and it is further.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs the Superintendent or his designee to file this Negative Declaration with the appropriate parties and agencies.

3. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following monetary donations:
 - Margaret Grow donated \$50.00 for the St. Lawrence Central Scholarship Fund in memory of Marie Dawson:
 - An anonymous donor donated \$20,000.00 for St. Lawrence Central's athletic program.
4. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the budget amendments as authorized by Education Law §1718 in order to recognize the qualifying transactions: Increase Estimated Revenues by the \$20,000 donation and Appropriations in funds A2855-400-00-IC – Contractual in the amount of \$8,500 and A2855-450-00-IC – Supplies in the amount of \$11,500, as stated in the memo enclosed.
5. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the Parents of the Class of 2024 as a functional committee that will abide by the By-Laws established in September 1999, to provide for the planning of an All Night / Drug & Alcohol Free Graduation Party. Officers include Mary Bellinger as President, Shannon Fraser as Vice-President, Jessica Coughlin and Katie Donie as Co-Treasurers, and Jennifer Francis as Secretary.
6. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the Senior Trip to Boston in May 2024.
7. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the Girls Varsity Softball team's trip to Disney during spring break, 2024.
8. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the disposal of the following outdated technology: 30 Laptops, 14 Desktops, 250 Chromebooks, 38 Asst Monitors and 10 Phones.
9. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves the creation of one teacher aide position.
10. Motion that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Mr. Rose, Superintendent of Schools, approves CSE, CPSE, and Section 504 classifications and placements, as per enclosures.

Executive Session

Motion that the Board of Education moves into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing 1 termination, 1 tenure appointment, 1 legal firm appointment, 2 teacher aide appointments, 1 bus driver appointment, 3 extra-curricular positions, 8 adult volunteer coach positions, 3 substitute appointments and 3 fitness center monitors.

Motion that the Board of Education moves back into general session.