



## **Regular Board Meeting**

Members Present: Carol Woodward – President, David Caccamise, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Michelle Merritt, Michael LoManto, Mervin Fry.

Administration: Renee Garrett – Superintendent, Daniel Grande – MS/HS Principal, Lindsay Marcinelli – Elementary Principal, Jennifer Fitzgerald – District Treasurer

District Clerk: Kristin Irwin

Other: Corey Bell, Kaleigh Bell

### **Call to Order**

Carol Woodward opened the meeting at 5:30 pm.

### **Presentations**

Renee Garrett presented Corey Bell with the Custodians Are Key Certificate.

Corey Bell, Kaleigh Bell-left at 5:35 pm.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Mervin Fry made the motion, seconded by David Caccamise, to approve the agenda.

All voted yes.

Agenda Approved

### **Public Comment (Please limit comments to five minutes per person)**

None

Supervisory Reports

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Lindsay Marcinelli reported that her days have been filled with educational and instructional talks and not just the safety protocols. Lindsay stated that the elementary building is ready with a five day a week schedule and prepared if the safety guidelines change from the state to 3ft instead of 6ft. Lindsay stated if it is possible to get the students back safely in five or four days a week that they will do what they can.

Daniel Grande reported that the Hornet Award recipients were selected. Dan stated that basketball and bowling are surviving. Dan reported they are preparing and getting ready for volleyball and football.



Written reports were received from Athletics, Cafeteria, Buildings and Grounds, and Transportation.

## **Board Reports**

Board Reports

### **A. President**

Carol Woodward reminded the Board of the following items:

The Budget Workshop will be March 25, 2021 at 5:30 pm via Zoom.

The BOCES Annual Meeting Date is April 14th via Zoom. Reservations are due to Kristin by April 9th.

The BOCES Component Vote Date is April 20 at 5:30 pm via Zoom.

The Committee meetings will be on April 21st and April 22nd and are listed in the agenda.

The Budget Presentation will be May 6th at 5:00 pm via Zoom unless the Governor's Executive order does not continue the suspension of the in-person meeting requirements.

### **B. Committees**

Amy Drozdzziel reported that at the Policy committee meeting they reviewed three policies.

David Caccamise reported that at the Athletic committee meeting that the Athletic Director, Scott Hazleton presented a power point with updates of the athletic program.

Mervin Fry and Sylvester Cleary reported that at the Legislative committee meeting they discussed the letters and finalized them to be sent to Senator Borrello, U.S. Representative Tom Reed and Assemblyman Andy Goodell.

### **C. Superintendent**

Renee Garrett reported that there has been discussion about the focus of next year's Capital Outlay Project. Renee stated they have started to plan where the Budget Vote will take place in May. Renee asked Kristin Irwin, District Clerk to provide more details.

Kristin Irwin reported that the Budget Vote will take place on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 1-8:00 p.m. and the new location will be the Elementary Cafeteria. Kristin stated that you will enter in the back of the elementary building into the cafeteria. Kristin stated that they are asking the voters to please check your temperature and take the health questionnaire prior to coming to vote. Kristin stated that you are able to request an absentee ballot due to the pandemic.



**Discussion Items**

None

**Old Business**

None

**New Business Consent Agenda**

Amy Drozdziel made the motion, seconded by Sylvester Cleary, upon recommendation of the Superintendent to approve agenda items A-D.

**A. Meeting Minutes**

February Regular  
and Budget Meeting  
Minutes Approved

- 1) Approve the Board of Education Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2021.
- 2) Approve the Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of February 4, 2021.

**B. Financial Items**

- 1) Treasurer's Report – January 2021 for all funds.
- 2) Warrant Summary and Claims Auditor Report – February 2021.
- 3) Approve the Extra-Curricular Report – January 2021.
- 4) Purchases-none

Treasurer's Reports  
January 2021  
Approved

Warrant Summary &  
Claims Auditor  
Reports February  
2021 Approved

Extra-curricular  
Reports January  
2021 Approved

Purchases  
Approved

CAYSEA Contracting Corp: COP 2020-21  
Erie 2 BOCES

General Construction  
Summer School

**\$72,477.00**  
**\$28,961.00**

- 5) Budget Transfers- none

**C. Personnel**

- 1) Approve the unpaid leave 2020-2021  
Nick Weith 10.0 February 1<sup>st</sup> – February 12, 2021

N. Weith Unpaid  
Leave 2/1/21-  
2/12/21  
Approved

2020-2021 Coaching  
Appointments  
Approved

- 2) Approve the following coaches for the 2020-2021 year pending successful completion of all requirements. The salary will be prorated as per the memorandum agreement between the District and the FTA.

Scot Greenough  
Jonathan Feniello

Varsity Football Head Coach  
JV Volleyball Coach



- 3) Authorize the Superintendent to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Julie Hebner regarding her contract.

J. Hebner  
Memorandum of  
Agreement Contract  
Approved

- 4) Accept the resignation, due to retirement of Tracey Papia, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2021.

T. Papia  
Retirement, Effective  
6/30/2021

- 5) Approve the following substitute pending successful completion of all requirements:
- Denice Sadovsky – food service helper, floater monitor aide

D. Sadovsky  
Substitute, Approved

**D. Other**

IEP  
Recommendations

- 1) Approve the following IEP Recommendations# 6825,6509,6832,6597,6490,1505.

- 2) Donations

Donations

United Way of Northern Chautauqua County Inc. 5 Internet Devices \$1,600

- 3) Approve the Annual Meeting and Budget Vote place and time set as May 18, 2021, Elementary Cafeteria with voting hours from 1-8 pm. The following area appointed as election inspectors: Cathy Carlson (site coordinator) \$15.50 /hour. Marlene Bradigan \$12.50/hour, Chairperson of Annual Meeting to open and close polls – Kristin Irwin.

Annual Meeting &  
Budget Vote  
Appointed Election  
Inspectors  
Approved

- 4) Nominate the following to serve on the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Second Supervisory District of Erie, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2021 and ending on June 30, 2024.

BOCES Board  
Nominations

**Additional Other Items**

S. LoManto Varsity  
Volleyball Coach  
2020-2021  
Approved

- 1) David Caccamise made the motion, seconded by Michelle Merritt upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following coach for the 2020-2021 year pending successful completion of all requirements. The salary will be prorated as per the memorandum agreement between the District and the FTA.

Sarah LoManto

Varsity Volleyball Head Coach

Votes were taken individually:

Yes: Carol Woodward, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Michelle Merritt, David Caccamise, Mervin Fry

Abstained: Michael LoManto

No: None

The motion was carried.



Resolution to Opt Out of Exemption Under Real Property Tax Law Approved
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- 2) Amy Drozdziel made the motion, seconded by Mervin Fry upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following resolution:

**Forestville Central School District**

A Resolution to Continue the Prior Opt Out of Exemption Provided Under Real Property Tax Law § 487 Concerning Wind, Solar, and Farm Waste Energy Systems, and Opting Out of the Exemption Provided Under Real Property Tax Law § 487 Concerning Electric Energy Storage and Related Systems

Be it hereby enacted by the Forestville Central School District Board of Education as follows:

WHEREAS, On June 9, 2008, the Board of Education passed a resolution opting out of the tax exemption provided under Real Property Tax Law § 487; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, Real Property Tax Law § 487 was amended to include, among other things, electric energy storage systems, which were eligible for the exemption; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires, consistent with its prior resolution, to maintain the opt-out, and seeks to opt out of the Real Property Tax Law § 487 exemption as it concerns electric energy storage and related systems;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that broadening the opt out to cover electric energy storage and related systems is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education chooses to exercise its right under Real Property Tax Law § 487(8) to opt out and therefore not provide an exemption to any system provided under Real Property Tax Law § 487.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Forestville Central School District Board of Education as follows:

Section 1. The School District's prior opt out of the exemption provided by Real Property Tax Law § 487 by resolution on June 9, 2008 concerning active or passive solar, wind, farm waste, or other similar energy system shall remain in effect and unchanged by this resolution.

Section 2. The School District's opt out shall be broadened so that the exemption from real property taxation provided by Real Property Tax Law § 487 shall not be applicable to any active or passive micro-hydroelectric energy system, fuel cell electric generating system, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment system, electric energy storage equipment or electric energy storage system, fuel-flexible linear generator electric generating system, or other similar energy system located within the



jurisdiction of the School District constructed subsequent to the effective date of this resolution.

Section 3. The Clerk of the Board of Education shall ensure that a copy of this resolution is promptly filed with the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, President of the New York State Energy Research & Development Authority, and the assessors within the School District's boundaries.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Votes were taken individually:

Yes: Carol Woodward, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Michelle Merritt, David Caccamise, Mervin Fry, Michael LoManto

Abstained: None

No: None

The motion was carried.

Notice of Annual Meeting and Election 2021 Approved
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- 3) Michael LoManto made the motion, seconded by David Caccamise upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following motion:

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION  
OF THE FORESTVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting and election of the Forestville Central School District, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties, New York (the "District"), will be held on **Tuesday, May 18, 2021** from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the Elementary Cafeteria located at 12 Water Street, Forestville, for the purpose of voting on the District's budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and one proposition to undertake the acquisition of transportation vehicles for use the District, electing one member of the Board of Education, and transacting such other business as is authorized by law.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing for the voters of the District on the 2021-2022 budget will be held on **Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom**, which voters may access and submit questions through a link provided on the District's website at [District website]. The hearing will be virtual *unless* a Governor's Executive Order does not continue the suspension of the in-person meeting requirement of Open Meetings Law to include May 6, 2021 or the public hearing for the budget, in which case the hearing would be held in person.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the business to be conducted at such annual meeting and election shall consist of voting on the following propositions, and any other propositions authorized to be voted upon by law and the rules of the Board of Education:



**PROPOSITION #1**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Forestville Central School District (the "District"), for the fiscal year of the District commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted and the required funds therefor are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

**PROPOSITION #2 – ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Forestville Central School District (the "District") is hereby authorized to purchase the following vehicles, including related equipment: 2 (two) 2022 Blue Bird Vision 65-passenger school buses at an estimated maximum cost of \$123,441.11 each, to be used in the transportation program of the District, or so much thereof as may be necessary, being raised by a tax upon the taxable property within said District to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board, with such tax to be partially offset by State aid available therefor, and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, by the issuance of debt obligations of the District or installment purchase contracts having a term of not more than five years entered into by the District in accordance with New York State Law.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that there will be one vacancy to be filled on Board of Education by reason of the expiration of the term of office of one Board incumbent. The candidate for the Board of Education receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to a four-year term to commence July 1, 2021 and expire June 30, 2025.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a voting machine will be used to record the vote on the budget, on all propositions, and on the election of one (1) Board member.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District, shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer and shall state the name and residence of the candidate. Each petition shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District





between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.** not later than the thirtieth (30th) day preceding the annual meeting and election, to-wit, **April 19, 2021.**

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** prevailing time and **3:30 p.m.** prevailing time except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the election, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or on the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the office of the Clerk of the District not later than **5:00 p.m. on May 18, 2021.**

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that military voters, as defined in section 122.2(f) of the commissioner's regulation, who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than **5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2021.** The voter may designate a preference to receive the application or ballot by mail, facsimile or electronic mail.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the Clerk of the District, where it shall be available for public inspection between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.**, prevailing time, until the day set for voting, except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays and such list shall also be posted at the polling place for such annual meeting and election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of the District will have prepared and completed a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required during the 2021-2022 fiscal year for school purposes, specifying the several purposes and the amount for each. The amount for each purpose estimated necessary for payments to Boards of Cooperative Educational Services shall be shown in full, with no deduction of estimated state aid. The amount of state aid provided and its percentage relationship to the total expenditures shall also be shown. Such statement shall be available at least seven days before the budget hearing, that is May 6, 2021, at which it is to be presented and copies thereof shall be prepared and made available, upon request, to residents within the District during the period of seven days before the budget hearing and/or fourteen days immediately preceding the annual meeting and election (exclusive of Saturday, Sunday or holidays), and may be obtained by any resident in the District in the District Office and at each school building in the District between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.** prevailing time during the fourteen days immediately preceding the annual meeting and election and on the day of the election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of the District has adopted rules for the submission of propositions to be considered at the annual meeting and election, and printed copies for general distribution in the District are available at the office of the District Clerk.

Board of Education  
Forestville Central School District  
3/4/2021





Publish: 4/2, 4/16, 4/30, 5/14

Votes were taken individually:

Yes: Carol Woodward, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Michelle Merritt, David Caccamise, Mervin Fry, Michael LoManto

Abstained: None

No: None

The motion was carried.

### **Proposed Executive Session**

Sylvester Clear made the motion, seconded by Amy Drozdziel to enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular persons at 6:13 pm. All voted yes.

### **Adjournment**

Mervin Fry made the motion, seconded by Sylvester Cleary to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm.

All voted yes.

### **Correspondence/Information**

BOCES Call for Nominations

BOCES Annual Meeting Notice

Kristin Irwin  
District Clerk