Boquet Valley CSD Special Meeting Wednesday, August 26, 2020 @ 8:00 AM Via Streaming Video only - with no public in-person access <u>https://bit.ly/31plA8g</u>

OFFICIAL MINUTES

1. Call to Order	At: 8:03 AM	By: President Mero
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2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

[AKarin DeMuro	[X]Dina Garvey	[A]Alan Jones	[X]Sarah Kullman
[X]Philip Mero	[X]Heather Reynolds	[A]Suzanne Russell	

4. Attendees

Present: Joshua Meyer, Superintendent	Visitors: Heather Olson
Jana Atwell, District Clerk	Paul Pulsifer
Sharlene Petro-Durgan, District Treasurer	Elaine Dixon-Cross

5. Executive Session

Specifically, the Board anticipates entering Executive Session for the following reasons:

- a. (#5) To discuss collective negotiations pursuant to article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).
- In: 8:05 AM Motion: Dina Garvey Second: Heather Reynolds Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept
- Out: 8:17 AM Motion: Dina Garvey Second: Heather Reynolds Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

No action taken.

6. 2020-2021 Tax Levy

 Resolution confirming the tax rolls and authorizing the tax levy: BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Boquet Valley Board of Education has been authorized by the voters at the Annual Meeting to raise for the current budget for the 2020-2021 school year a sum not to exceed \$7,594,433.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board fix equalized tax rates by the towns and confirm the extension of taxes as they appear on the attached roll (form for equalizing taxes):

AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED THAT THE DELINQUENT TAX PENALTIES SHALL BE FILED AS FOLLOWS:

September 1, 2020 - September 30, 2020	No Penalty
October 1, 2020 - October 31, 2020	2% Penalty
November 1, 2020	3% Penalty

RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance of the tax warrant:

WHEREAS, Chapter 73 of the laws of 1977, amended section 1318, subdivision 1 of the Real Property Tax Law; and

WHEREAS, the entire unreserved fund balance at the close of the last fiscal year must be applied in determining the amount of the school tax levy except for an amount not to exceed the maximum percent allowed by of the current school year budget; and

WHEREAS, this latter amount may be held as surplus funds during the current school year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education retain as surplus funds approximately \$608,458 from the total approximate fund balance of \$4,867,825 thereby applying \$300,000 to the reduction of the tax levy.

BE IT ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS, to the Collector of Boquet Valley Central School District, town(s) of Chesterfield, Elizabethtown, Essex, Lewis and Westport, County of Essex, New York State, your are commanded:

- 1. To give notice and start collection on September 1, 2020 (in accordance with provisions of section1322 of the Real Property Tax Law).
- 2. To give notice that the tax collection will end on November 1, 2020.
- 3. To collect taxes in the amount of \$7,594,433 in the manner collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes in accordance with the provisions of section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law and as approved by the voters at the annual meeting to collect taxes in the amount of \$40,000 for the public libraries and to turn over to the Westport Library Association \$15,000, to the Wadhams Free Library \$7,000 and to the Elizabethtown Library Association \$18,000.
- 4. To make no changes or alterations in the tax warrant or the attached tax rolls but shall return the same to the Board of Education. The Board may recall its warrant and tax roll for correction of errors or omission in accordance with the provision of section 553 of the Real Property Tax Law.
- 5. To forward by mail to each owner of real property listed on the tax rolls within ten days after the start of collection a statement of taxes due on his property on pressed-numbered tax bill forms provided by the school

district in accordance with the provisions of section 922 of the Real Property Tax Law. To forward by mail, without interest penalties to the office of the County Treasurer, a detailed tax bill of all state land parcels liable for taxes on the school tax rolls in accordance with the provisions of section 540 and 5445 of the Real Property Tax Law.

- 6. To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons that sum listed on the attached tax rolls without interest penalties where such sums are paid before the end of the first month of tax collection. To add 2% interest penalties to all taxes collected during the second month of the tax collection and to add 3% interest penalties to all taxes collected during any part of the third month of the tax collection period to account for such as income due to the school district.
- 7. To issue press-number receipts only on forms provided by the school district in acknowledgment of receipt of payments of taxes and to retain, preserve and file exact copies of all such receipts issued as required by section 987 of the Real Property Tax Law.
- 8. To promptly return the warrant at its expiration and if any taxes on the attached tax rolls shall be unpaid at that time, deliver an accounting on forms showing by town the total assessed valuation, tax rate, and total tax levy, the total amounts remaining uncollected as required by section 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.

The warrant is issued pursuant to sections 910, 912, and 914 of the Real Property Tax Law and is delivered in accordance with sections 1306 and 1318 of this law. It is effective immediately after it is properly signed by a majority of the Board of Education. This warrant shall expire on the dates stated above unless a renewal or extension has been endorsed on the face of this warrant in writing with section 1318, subdivision 2 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Motion: Dina Garvey Second: Heather Reynolds Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

7. Action Item - Consent Agenda

a. Upon presentation and recommendation of Joshua Meyer, Superintendent, the Board of Education shall approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Boquet Valley Central School District, Essex County, NY desires to increase the appropriations set forth in the 2020-2021 school budget to fund contingent expense of payment for tax certiorari for Hilda S. Maclean (\$7,644.15) on August 26, 2020, Board of Education meeting and,

WHEREAS, a Board of Education is empowered to appropriate whatever additional amounts are necessary to pay contingent expenses when the amount in the approved budget is inadequate; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the School District as follows:

Section 1. The budgetary appropriation for the following contingent expense is hereby increased as follows:

A 1964-400-01-000 Refund on Real Property \$7,644.15

Section 2. The increase in the appropriation listed in Section 1 of this resolution shall be funded by the following:

A 864.00 Tax Certiorari Reserve \$7,644.15

Motion: Dina Garvey Second: Heather Reynolds Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

8. Personnel - Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the amendment to the Superintendent's Employment Agreement as presented for Joshua Meyer effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024.
- b. Approve the personal service agreement as presented for Jana Atwell, Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent/District Clerk effective July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023.
- c. Approve the appointment of Susan Kirkby to the anticipated position of full-time substitute food service helper effective September 1, 2020 through approximately October 23, 2020 at an hourly rate of \$14.38.
- d. Approve the appointment of Kenneth Alton to the position of long-term substitute Science Teacher effective September 1, 2020 through approximately October 23, 2020 at a daily rate of \$175.00.
- e. Resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Suzette Montville, is hereby appointed to the position of Pre-Kindergarten Teacher commencing on or about September 1, 2020 and until December 31, 2020. Salary for the 2020-21 school year is \$46,801.24 (pro-rated) based on (WEA current contract) step 1 \$43,129 and 33 credit hours \$3,672.24.
- f. Resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Joseph Graney, who is permanently certified in the Technology area, is hereby appointed to the position of Technology teacher tenure area for a probationary period commencing September 1, 2020 and anticipated to end on June 30, 2024. Salary for the 2020-21 school year is \$49,065.08 based on (WEA current contract) step 3 \$45,059 and 36 credit hours \$4,006.08 (12 x \$333.84) pending receipt of fingerprint clearance.

Motion: Sarah Kullman Second: Dina Garvey Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

9. Next Meeting

a. Regular Meeting Thursday, September 10, 2020 6:00 PM at the Mountain View Campus Elizabethtown no in-person access, video streaming only

10. Adjournment

Time: 8:22 AM Motion: Heather Reynolds Second: Dina Garvey Yes: 4 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Education.

Date approved by the BOE: September 10, 2020

Jana Atwell, District Clerk