

**EAST GREENBUSH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022  
Columbia High School**

**1. A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Mr. Buono- 7:01 P.M.

**B. ATTENDANCE**

	Present	Absent	Arrival
Mr. Buono	X		
Ms. Curtin	X		
Mr. Dunn	X		
Ms. Kennedy	X		
Mr. Mann	X		
Ms. O'Brien		X	
Ms. Skumurski	X		
Ms. Steinbach	X		
Ms. Taylor	X		
Also Attending			
Mr. Simons	X		
Ms. Cannon	X		
Mr. Stiles	X		
Ms. Wager	X		

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. EX OFFICIO STUDENT COUNCIL COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. Student Council Representatives: Emma Marchiony - President; Roan Butterfield -Vice President (not present at this time)

**4. MINUTES**

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2022

Motion by Mr. Mann, Second by Ms. Curtin

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the District Clerk, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby approves the Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting of August 10, 2022.

Vote: Ayes- 7, Nays- 0, Abstentions- 1 (Dunn)

Motion carried

**5. BOARD FORUM #1**

Mr. Mann asked about creating a yearly schedule of reports, such as the VADIR report, staff absence report, student tardiness report, etc, so that every year the Board would receive reports without having to ask.

Mr. Simons said he has a template, and will work on getting a schedule together to present to the Board.

Ms. Cannon responded that the VADIR report was recently submitted to the New York State Education Department, and is slated to be included on the agenda of the September 14, 2022 meeting.

Mr. Mann asked when the Columbia High School vestibule construction will be completed.

Mr. Simons said that some of the needed materials have not arrived yet, but the vestibule should be completed some time this Fall.

Mr. Mann also stated that he felt the Board should decide how to respond to the staff survey. He said since the Board asked for the survey, he felt the respondents deserved some kind of response.

Mr. Simons said that the Administration staff has started to respond to the staff, but welcomed the Board to respond, as well.

Mr. Simons said that the District is trying to set up something on the website to provide the minutes of the various committee meetings for staff and public reference.

Mr. Dunn said he thinks it is important to listen to the respondents and try to use that information when making decisions in the future.

Ms. Skumurski said she has been approached by parents asking that even though middle school students will be using lockers again this year, could they also carry backpacks during the school day. She also asked if there could be a box or area in the cafeteria to share unwanted food items, instead of everything going into the garbage.

**6. PUBLIC FORUM #1**

None at this time.

## 7. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Simons provided an update about the new school year. He said new bus routes have all been established. He thanked Carianne Rudolph, Jeff Smith and all the transportation staff for their efforts in getting that set up. The Superintendent said families have all been notified of the route changes and any problems have been evaluated and discussed with the families.

Mr. Simons was happy to report that guidance from the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Education Department states that masks will not be required, social distancing is no longer needed, normal cafeteria operations will be restored, and quarantines will not be needed. He said anyone that has been exposed should monitor for symptoms, and it is recommended if a person is exposed, they should wear a mask, but it is not required. Students or staff who test positive for COVID 19 are to isolate for five days, and when they are fever free and feeling better they can return to school. Testing is not required to return. The Superintendent stated test kits will be provided by Questar again this year, and said the point of care testing will still be available for staff and students who become symptomatic during school hours, and have consented to test.

Mr. Simons reported that the mental health clinic that runs 1/2 day at Goff and 1/2 day at Columbia will be adding an additional day. The Superintendent also discussed the ongoing capital project work and reported that not all projects will be complete by opening day, but are expected to be done in September.

Mr. Simons said he was happy to report that all school events will resume, and will be held in-person this year.

## 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### A. K-5 Enrollment 2022-2023

Ms. Wager provide enrollment projections to the Board.

### B. Budget Considerations

Ms. Wager provided an estimate of replacing all the window blinds at the elementary schools. She also discussed funding of the Pre-K program with this year funded by the State grant of \$5400 per student, the ARP funds in the amount of \$199,980, and money allocated from last year covering the balance. She said she expects next year's program to cost about \$609,000. She said 329,000 will come from State Aid, and the remainder will need to come from the general fund or through a re-allocation of the federal funds. Ms. Wager explained the federal funds will expire in 2024, so the District will have to decide if they want to absorb the costs into the general funds after that time.

Mr. Buono said he felt that the program is beneficial to the young learners, but would like evaluate the data and track the students as they progress in the District.

Mr. Mann asked if the public understands that the District will be evaluating the program in the coming years, and it is not guaranteed to be provided.

Ms. Kennedy asked how many students applied, and were able to get a spot in the Pre-K program.

Ms. Wager stated there were 109 applicants, 54 spots within the District and seven at the Early Childhood Education Center. She said the District is moving through the list and is in the 90's contacting families to ask if they would like to participate.

Mr. Simons explained that funding requirements limit the District to \$5400 per student. He said he would like the advocacy committee to advocate for more money per student since the costs are so much higher than the allotment.

### C. Considerations for Reserve Funding

Ms. Wager explained the unassigned fund balance is \$5.4 million dollars, but should be within the legal limit which is 4% of last year's budget, or \$4.2 million. She suggested funding the bus purchase reserve with \$500,000. Ms. Wager discussed the new State mandate that requires the District to begin to purchase electric buses beginning in 2027, and having the entire fleet be electric by 2035. She explained the cost increases and also stated the infrastructure will need to be in place prior to any electric bus purchase. She explained that putting additional money into the reserve now will help defer some of the costs going forward.

Ms. Wager proposed funding the Capital Reserve by \$750,000. She explained that this money can be used for a lot of improvements throughout the District and lower some of the borrowing costs.

Mr. Mann asked what if they only funded the reserve \$200,00, can the District use the remaining \$500,000 to purchase things that are needed now.

Ms. Wager explained that the money will not be able to be used, it will stay in the unassigned fund balance and will put the District over the legal limit.

Mr. Simons explained that you cannot spend more than the budget approved by the voters, so the fund balance cannot be used to purchase things for this year. The unassigned fund balance can only be used through a reserve.

Ms. Wager also discussed the Tax Certiorari reserve. She stated there are currently four tax cert reserves from 2018-2021. She said she would like to close the 2018 reserve, and open the 2022 reserve. Ms. Wager reported there are currently eleven claims which total about \$1.1 million. She also stated the 2021 tax cert reserve was over-funded, so she would like to reduce the amount. Overall, the tax cert reserves would go from \$2.9 million at the end of last year to \$2.1 million on June 30, 2022.

Mr. Dunn asked if there will be any funding from the State to help fund the purchase of the electric buses.

Ms. Wager said there will be some EPA grants, but the ones available now are just for high needs schools. She said she expects some aid, and the District will apply when that becomes available.

## 9. REGULAR BUSINESS

### A. Approval of Programs for Resident Children with Disabilities

#### RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENT CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Motion by Mr. Dunn, Second by Ms. Skumurski

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby approves the Programs for Resident Children with Disabilities.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

### B. Appointment of Administrator for Transportation Services

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT DR. WANDA MCQUEEN FOR ADMINISTRATOR FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ATTACHED AGREEMENT.

Motion by Ms. Taylor, Second by Ms. Skumurski

Resolved, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby appoints Dr. Wanda McQueen to Administrator for Transportation Services effective September 6, 2022 for a three year probationary period in the tenure area of Administrator for Transportation Services and approves the Employment Agreement for Dr. Wanda McQueen from September 6, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

C. Standardization Resolution- Edwards Fire Alarm System

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE STANDARDIZATION RESOLUTION- EDWARDS FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

Motion by Ms. Curtin, Second by Mr. Mann

Resolved, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby approves the Standardization Resolution- Edwards Fire Alarm System.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

D. Adoption of Dual Tax Rate System for 2022-2023, Issuance of the Tax Warrant, Authorization for Correction of Tax Rolls, Settlement of Tax Certiorari Cases

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF DUAL TAX RATE SYSTEM FOR 2022-2023, ISSUANCE OF THE TAX WARRANT, AUTHORIZATION FOR CORRECTION OF TAX ROLLS, SETTLEMENT OF TAX CERTIORARI CASES.

Motion by Ms. Skumurski , Second by Ms. Kennedy

Resolved, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby Approves the Adoption of Dual Tax Rate System for 2022-2023, Issuance of the Tax Warrant, Authorization for Correction of Tax Rolls, Settlement of Tax Certiorari Cases

Vote: Ayes- 8 , Nays- 0

Motion carried

E. Tuition Rates for North Greenbush Common School District 2022-2025

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TUITION RATES FOR NORTH GREENBUSH COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2022-2025

Motion by Ms. Taylor, Second by Ms. Curtin

Resolved, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby approves the Tuition Rates for North Greenbush Common School District 2022-2025.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

F. Resolution to Approve Discontinuance of Employment - Senior Monitor

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 71 OF THE NEW YORK STATE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

Motion by Ms. Curtin, Second by Ms. Skumurski

RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the employment of Dennis Dunham as a Senior Monitor is hereby terminated, effective August 25, 2022, pursuant to Section 71 of the New York Civil Service Law.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

G. Resolution to Approve Discontinuance of Employment - Bus Driver

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 73 OF THE NEW YORK STATE CIVIL SERVICE LAW.

Motion by Mr. Dunn, Second by Mr. Mann

RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the employment of Kristi Schilling as a Bus Driver is hereby terminated, effective August 25, 2022, pursuant to Section 73 of the New York Civil Service Law.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

H. Capital Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Agreement 2022-2023

Ms. Skumurski asked about the utilization of the program and asked has there been an increase in services in the last couple years.

Ms. Cannon said there was about 1% increase in counseling services. She explained it is not only for the employee, but the employees family members as well.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2022-2023 CAPITAL EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) AGREEMENT

Motion by Ms. Skumurski, Second by Ms. Taylor

Resolved, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby approves the 2022-2023 Capital Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Agreement.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Marissa Cannon, Director of Human Resources - New Staff Orientation

Ms. Cannon talked about the new staff orientation. She said the District welcomed 30 new employees, and gave the employees an overview of all the benefits and services offered.

She wished all the new staff a successful and enjoyable school year.

Ms. Skumurski asked about the health care worker bonus, and asked if it was only for the nurses.

Ms. Wager stated that there are a few other employees who will be eligible to receive the bonus, but stated schools are not allowed to apply to receive the grant yet. She said she hopes the guidelines will come out sometime in October.

B. Linda Wager, Director of Business and Finance

None at this time.

C. Roy Stiles, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction - Conference Days Schedule

Mr. Stiles discussed the upcoming opening day program, and reported about the available professional development opportunities for the staff.

D. Jeffrey Simons, Superintendent - Report on Attendance Policy Committee Meeting of August 23, 2022

Mr. Simons talked about restoring the attendance policies. He said the committee is discussing ways to encourage attendance, and will be communicating the importance to the families.

**11. TABLED MOTIONS**

None at this time.

**12. OLD BUSINESS**

None at this time

**13. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Buono suggested the Board include the three items on the Addendum to the Consent Agenda.

A. Financial Reports

2022-08-24 Claim Auditor Reports for Warrants -V000, 0010, V011, 0011, 0012, 0013, 0014, 0015, 0016

B. Instructional/Instructional Support Personnel Memo

**A. DISCONTINUANCE****1. Resignation**

a. Kuhn, Zachary - Teaching Assistant, Green Meadow Elementary School, effective 8/29/22  
Date of Hire: 9/4/18 Reason: to accept part time Physical Education position

b. McGrath, Molly - Director of Pupil Personnel Services, effective 9/10/22  
Hire Date: 7/15/19 Reason: position in another district

c. Ryan, Patrick - Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective 7/19/22  
Hire Date: 12/14/20 Reason: subs request

d. Rysio, Emily - Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective 8/25/22  
Reason: full time teaching position

e. Wargula, Kate - K-3 Interventionist, Donald P. Sutherland Elementary, effective 8/29/22  
Hire Date: 8/31/21 Reason: to accept Art position at Goff Middle School

f. Zarcone, Margaret - Teaching Assistant, Columbia High School, effective 8/25/22  
Date of Hire: 11/18/21 Reason: personal

**2. Leave of Absence**

a. Hulbert, Sara - Reading, Genet Elementary School, requesting an unpaid child-rearing leave of absence from 10/4/22-6/30/2024. Planned return 9/2024

**B. APPOINTMENTS****1. Probationary Appointment**

The probationary expiration dates below are tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 3012(3) of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. (No prior tenure)

a. Vice, Noah - Physical Education, .9 Genet/.1 Bell Top Elementary Schools  
 (Replacing Kathleen Russell, resignation, Gansle transfer)  
 Tenure Area: Physical Education  
 Probationary Period: 8/29/22 - 8/28/26  
 (unless extended in accordance with the law as above)  
 Certification Status: NYS Initial Physical Education  
 Step Placement: 1B = \$44,251.00  
 Prior: 7/22-8/22 Summer School PE & Health, Ichabod Crane  
 5/22-present Per Diem Sub EGCS D  
 Degrees: B.S. Russell Sage College

b. Wargula, Kate - Art, Howard L. Goff Middle School  
 (Replacing Amy Dunaief, resignation)  
 Tenure Area: Art  
 Probationary Period: 8/29/22-8/28/26  
 (unless extended by the law as above)  
 Certification Status: NYS Professional Visual Arts  
 NYS Professional Childhood Education 1-6  
 NYS Professional Early Childhood B-2  
 Step Placement: 3M = \$51,706.00  
 Prior: 8/21-present K-3 interventionist EGCS D; 8/16-6/19  
 Bryant Elementary, Hornell, NY; 8/13-6/15 Seven Oaks  
 Elementary, MD  
 Degrees: B.A. Alfred University  
 M.S. SUNY, Buffalo

## **2. Probationary Appointment Adjustment**

a. Morosko, Karen - Spanish Teacher, Howard L. Goff Middle School  
 From: Probationary Period: 9/12/22 – 9/11/26  
 To: Probationary Period: 8/29/22 – 8/28/26

## **3. Position Reassignment - CSE Chairperson Districtwide (new position)**

a. LaGoy, Scott - Special Education Teacher to CSE Chairperson, effective 8/29/22

## **4. Position Reassignment - Elementary Teacher, effective 8/29/22**

a. Callaghan, Kristin - K-3 Interventionist, Red Mill to Gr. 4, Donald P. Sutherland Elementary  
 (Replacing Sarah Virnelli, resignation)

## **5. Voluntary Transfer of Assignment, effective 8/29/22**

a. Gansle, Ashley - Transferring from Physical Education - .9 Genet/.1 Bell Top to 1.0 Howard L. Goff

## **6. Part Time Appointment/Term Substitute**

a. Walkley, Carol - .6 Health/.4 Health Substitute, Howard L. Goff Middle School  
 Effective: 8/29/22 - 6/30/23  
 Certification Status: NYS Supplementary Health Education  
 NYS Initial Physical Education  
 Step Placement: 3B = \$48,818.00  
 Prior: 9/20-present Part Time EGCS D; 1/19-present PDS EGCS D  
 Degrees: B.S. SUNY, Cortland

## **7. Part Time Appointment**

a. Kuhn, Zachary - .8 Physical Education, .3 Bell Top/.2 D.P.S./2 CTAEP/.1 Red Mill  
 (Replacing Ashley Gansle and Shawn Gibson)  
 Effective: 8/29/22 - 6/30/23  
 Certification Status: NYS Initial Physical Education  
 Step Placement: 1B = \$44,251.00 x .8  
 Prior: 9/18-present Teaching Assistant EGCS D; 1/15-6/18  
 Per Diem Sub EGCS D  
 Degrees: B.S. Russell Sage College

## **8. Term Substitute Appointments**

- a. Armbruster, Julianne - Reading, Red Mill Elementary School  
 (Replacing Lisa Mahar, LOA as RTI Coordinator)  
 Effective: 9/12/22 - 6/30/23  
 Certification Status: NYS Initial Literacy B-6 & 5-12  
                                   NYS Initial Early Childhood B-2 & Childhood 1-6  
 Step Placement: 2M = \$49,475.00  
 Prior: 12/21-present Albany CSD; 11/20-6/21 Per Diem BOCES  
           Substitute Colonie and Albany School Districts  
 Degrees: B.S. SUNY, New Paltz  
           M.S. SUNY, Albany
  
- b. Wagner, Samantha - Reading, Genet Elementary School  
 (Replacing Sara Hulbert child-rearing leave of absence)  
 Effective: 8/29/22-6/30/24  
 Certification Status: NYS Initial Literacy B-6  
                                   NYS Initial Childhood Education 1-6  
                                   NYS Initial Students w/Disabilities 1-6  
 Step Placement: 2M = \$49,475.00  
 Prior: 8/21-6/22 Berne-Knox-Westerlo CSD; 5/21-6/21 Per Diem Sub  
           EGCSD  
 Degrees: B.S. SUNY, Albany  
           M.S. SUNY, Albany

**9. Part Time Appointment - Instructional Support Staff**

- a. Carpenter, Tina - Teaching Assistant, Red Mill Elementary School  
 (New position)  
 Effective: 8/29/22  
 Certification Status: NYS Teaching Assistant, Level I  
 Salary: Step 1 = \$20.75 per hour  
 Hours per day: 3.5

**10. Substitute Teaching Assistant 22-23 school year**

- a. Fairchild, Maybelle - Step OS \$28.36 per hour

**11. Per Diem Substitute Teacher**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification Area</u>	<u>Degree Status</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Bariteau, Casey	Childhood Education	B.S.	8/25/22
Eveland, Connor	Communications Degree	B.A.	8/25/22
Hammersand, Stephanie	Elementary; Reading	B.S.	8/25/22

**C. MISCELLANEOUS**

**1. Athletic Coaching Position -2022-2023 Fall Sports Season**

- a. **Ryan Clarke**                      **Boys' Varsity Assistant Soccer**  
 Non-certified Teacher - Temporary Coaching License  
**Experience:**                      **Soccer**    Mens' Assistant Soccer Coach - St. Rose - 2021  
   Boys' J.V. Soccer - Averill Park - 2020  
   Boys' Varsity Assistant Soccer - Averill Park - 2017-2019  
**Base Salary:**                      \$3,669.00 + \$382.00 = \$4,051.00  
**Start Date:**                        August 22, 2022

**C. Non-Instructional Support Personnel Memo**

**Discontinuance as listed:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Riley, Jamie	Monitor-Bell Top	8/25/2022	resigning to accept Typist position

**Appointments as listed:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Carmody, Kathleen	Senior Monitor-Goff	8/29/2022	Step 1 = \$15.74 per hour

	Probation: 8/29/22-2/28/23		5 hours/10 months
Riley, Jamie	Typist-Transportation Provisional	8/25/2022	Step 5 = \$20.05 per hour 7.5 hours/12 months

**Summer employment as listed:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
McHugh, Melissa	Registered Professional Nurse	8/15/2022	Step 10 = \$35.81 per hour
Stoffels, Julie	Registered Professional Nurse	7/23/2022	Step 10 = \$35.81 per hour

**Substitute employees as listed:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Anaya-Morales, Stephanie	Substitute Bus Driver	8/29/2022	Step 1 = \$21.65 per hour
Fernett, Ronald	Substitute Bus Driver	8/29/2022	Step 1 = \$21.65 per hour
Lewis, Isabelle	Substitute aide	8/29/2022	Step 1 (HS) = \$16.13 per hour
Wood, Paige	Substitute aide	8/29/2022	Step 1 (AS) = \$18.30 per hour

D. Disposal of District Property - Assets

E. Athletic Code of Conduct 2022-2023

F. Girls' Cross Country Overnight Trip-Six Flags Invitational

G. Boys' Varsity Volleyball Overnight Trip-2nd Annual East Aurora Volleyball Tournament

H. Approval of Consent Agenda

**14. ADDENDUM**

A. Addendum to Instructional/Instructional Support Personnel Memo

RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONAL/INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

**A. MISCELLANEOUS****1. Athletic Coaching Position - 2022-2023 Fall Sports Season**

a. <b><u>Zacharey Johnson</u></b>	<b>Junior Varsity Assistant Football</b> Non-Certified Teacher - Temporary Coaching License
<b>Experience:</b>	<b>Football</b> No previous football coaching experience
<b>Base Salary:</b>	\$3,800.00
<b>Start Date:</b>	August 22, 2022

B. Non-Instructional Support Personnel Memo

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL

**Appointments as listed:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Hourigan, Keira	Monitor - DPS Probation: 9/6/22-3/5/23	9/06/2022	Step 1 = \$15.02 per hour 3.75hrs/10 months

C. Appointment of Interim Director of Pupil Personnel Services

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT WILLIAM COYLE TO INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES AT A RATE OF \$650 PER DAY

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AND THE THREE PERSONNEL ITEMS ON THE ADDENDUM

Motion by Ms. Curtin, Second by Mr. Dunn

Resolved, the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District hereby approves the Consent Agenda.

Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0

Motion carried**15. NEW BUSINESS**

A. School Safety Supervisors-Goff Middle School

Mr. Simons recommended to the Board that the District hire two additional safety supervisors at Goff Middle School. He said these positions have been very helpful at the high school.Mr. Buono asked about the funding for these positions.Ms. Wager said the District will re-allocate money to cover the cost.Ms. Skumurski suggested getting more mental health assistance before hiring these positions. She said she felt that was the greater issue at the middle school.Mr. Buono said having the staff in the building to support movement and safety throughout the corridors is invaluable, and will keep kids going in the right direction.**16. PUBLIC FORUM #2**Mr. Steve Brady, CSEA president/bus driver thanked the Board for appointing Ms. McQueen as the new Transportation Supervisor. He also asked if the bus drivers could be educated on the different cultures of the students. He said it would be very helpful if the driver's could understand the different customs and holidays celebrated by the students.

**17. BOARD FORUM #2**

Ms. Curtin discussed the ending of the free lunch program. She asked if this situation could be monitored and asked if there is anything the District can do to fill in some of the gaps.  
Mr. Simons said the District is reaching out to families to fill out the applications, and said the Food For Families program is still available.  
Ms. Taylor congratulated Dr. McQueen on her appointment and said she looked forward to working with her.  
Mr. Buono wished the team a great school re-opening, and hoped for a more normal school year for all.

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Ms. Taylor, Second by Mr. Dunn to enter Executive Session for Pending Litigation, Employment Issues and Contractual Matters.  
Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0  
Motion carried  
Time: 8:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Pangburn  
District Clerk

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Ms. Curtin, Second by Mr. Dunn to Adjourn  
Vote: Ayes- 8, Nays- 0  
Motion carried  
Time: 10:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Kennedy  
Assistant District Clerk