

ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

May 31, 2023

District Office

2240 Southwestern Blvd. West Seneca, NY 14127

Board of Education

Members Present: Dr. Christine Gray-Tinnesz, President
Dr. Jennifer Rogers, Vice-President
Mrs. Kim Hughes
Mr. Ryan Anderson, excused at 6:14 pm
Mr. Tom Provost, excused at 6:00 pm, returned at 6:07

Members Excused: Mr. Ryan Cimo
Mrs. Karen Sreniawski

Others Present: Mr. David Lilleck, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Melanie Beardsley, Webster Szanyi, LLP, District Counsel
Mrs. Cheryl Connors, District Clerk

Estimated Audience: n/a

Dr. Tinnesz called the meeting to order 5:01 pm and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. She announced Mr. Cimo and Mrs. Sreniawski are not present in the meeting but will be calling into Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Hughes, to enter Executive Session at 5:01 pm for a Decision issued under Education Law Section 3020-a regarding a tenured employee and to receive legal advice from counsel regarding the same and to discuss potential legal claims and litigation against the district.

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Hughes, Provost and Anderson

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 5-0

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Hughes, to adjourn Executive Session at 6:39 pm.

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Hughes and Provost

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 4-0

Meeting called back to order 6:39 pm by Dr. Tinnesz.

During executive session the Board reviewed a 3020-a decision regarding a tenured teacher (BP). With the exception of two Board Members (KS and RC), all attended in-person. Following that discussion, the Board then reviewed written complaints against three Board Members. During the first discussion, three Board Members (JR, KS, and RC) recused themselves from the discussion. During the second discussion, one Board Member (TP) recused himself from the discussion. During the second discussion, Board Member RC hung up the phone during the discussion and the Board completed the discussion without Board Member RC's continued participation. During the third discussion, Board Member RA recused himself from the discussion. Board Member RC would have been asked to recuse himself but was not included in executive session, as he had previously exited by hanging up the telephone during the second discussion.

Action

Notion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Hughes to adopt and implement the 3020-a decision received from the Hearing Officer regarding a tenured teacher.

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Hughes and Provost

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 4-0

Adjournment

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Hughes to adjourn at 6:39 p.m.

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Hughes and Provost

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Connors
District Clerk

Other Attachments

1. Official Meeting Announcement
2. Agenda

ADJOURNMENT