

GOUVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
GOUVERNEUR NEW YORK 13642
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

October 26, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The SPECIAL MEETING of the Board of Education of Gouverneur Central School District was called to order by President Ed Siebels, at 6:30 P.M., EDT in the High School Cafeteria, leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Present: James Delity, Lisa Dunkelberg, David Fenlong, Karen Geer, Lisa McGregor, Nickolas Ormasen; Roland Roderick, Ed Siebels.

Trustees Absent: Dr. William Cartwright.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION and APPOINTMENT OF CLERK PRO TEMPE.

Motion made by Trustee Lisa Dunkelberg, and seconded by Trustee Roland Roderick, to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person and matters related to dismissal, and to appoint Superintendent Lauren F. French as Clerk Pro Tempe for the remainder of the meeting.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. BOARD OF EDUCATION MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:31 PM, EDT, WITH LAUREN F. FRENCH NAMED CLERK PRO TEMPE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING.

III. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion made by Trustee Lisa Dunkelberg, and seconded by Trustee Karen Geer, to return to open session.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. SPECIAL MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:22 PM, EDT.

IV. RESCINDING PROSPECTIVE TENURE AWARD, CONTINUATION ON PAID ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE, and ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION

Motion made by Trustee Lisa Dunkelberg, and seconded by Trustee Roland Roderick, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, at its meeting on May 8, 2017, voted to approve the Superintendent's recommendation that Camden L. Secone be appointed on tenure in the tenure area of *Elementary* effective October 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the above referenced appointment was prospective and conditional pending October 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, circumstances involving Mr. Secone's employment have changed since the Board of Education's vote on May 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has recommended that the Board's May 8, 2017 conditional appointment to tenure be rescinded and that Mr. Secone not be granted an appointment on tenure; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has further recommended that Mr. Secone be placed on paid administrative leave effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Secone has tendered an irrevocable letter of resignation dated October 26, 2017, and effective the close of business on January 10, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby rescind the conditional appointment on tenure for Camden L. Secone; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Camden L. Secone is placed on paid administrative leave effective immediately, and that Camden L. Secone shall not be permitted to perform any services for the District effective immediately through the effective date of his resignation; and

RESOLVED, that the Board accepts Camden L. Secone's irrevocable letter of resignation, effective the close of business on January 10, 2018.

YEAS: All Trustees Present NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. RESCINDING PROSPECTIVE TENURE AWARD, CONTINUATION ON PAID ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE, AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION, APPROVED.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, motion made by Trustee Lisa Dunkelberg, and seconded by Trustee Karen Geer, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting. at 7:24 PM.

YEAS: All Trustees Present. NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:24 PM, EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren F. French, Clerk Pro Tempe

Ed Siebels, President