

**Bainbridge-Guilford Central School  
Board of Education Meeting Minutes  
February 16, 2023**

President Keith Hanvey called the February 16, 2023 Board of Education Meeting to order at 6:01 pm in the Guilford Elementary School.

Call to Order

Board members in attendance were Thomas Akshar, Shelly Bartow, Gordon Daniels, John Gliha, and Keith Hanvey. Rebecca Sullivan arrived at 6:09 pm.

Board Members in  
Attendance

The administration in attendance were Superintendent Timothy Ryan and Business Manager Janice Rideout.

Administrators in  
Attendance

On a motion by Shelly Bartow, seconded by Tom Akshar the Board of Education voted to enter executive session at 6:01 pm to discuss the employment history of a particular person.

Executive Session

Yes-5; No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Tom Akshar, seconded by Gordon Daniels the Board of Education voted to return to open session at 6:35 pm.

Return to  
Open Session

Yes-6; No-0. Carried.

Keith Hanvey, Board of Education President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

On a motion by Tom Akshar, seconded by Shelly Bartow the Board of Education voted to approve the agenda.

Order of the Agenda  
Established

Yes-6; No-0. Carried.

Emily Anderson, FFA Advisor and Agriculture teacher and student Lilly Simonson presented on upcoming FFA events that the group plans to attend. They also spoke about the recent fundraising opportunities they've had.

Emily Anderson  
Presents

Janice Rideout, Business Manager presented the Tax Cap for the 2023-2024 school year.

Tax Cap Review

Timothy Ryan, Superintendent of Schools reported on the following:

Timothy Ryan  
Presents

- Mr. Ryan has been meeting with the Cook/Managers to discuss the upcoming capital project and how it will affect their kitchens. The Guilford kitchen will be out of commission for at least 6 months. Plans are beginning to be made for getting food to Guilford while the kitchen is being renovated. There will be no summer feeding program at the High School as attendance was low this past summer. They will continue to do it at Greenlawn and Guilford.
- The Sidney Central School Superintendent, Athletic Director, and Business Official came to look at our fitness center to help begin the plans for their fitness center. They were impressed with our facility.
- The Budget committee met on February 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss the budget presentations that have already taken place. They will meet again on March 8<sup>th</sup>. They also took a look at the BOCES Administrative budget.
- Mr. Ryan spoke about our Casual for a Cause days we hold and what they're used for. We will hold one on Friday for a Sidney student who was involved in an accident while walking home from school.
- Mr. Ryan and the Board of Education members who attended spoke about the legislative breakfast. Bainbridge-Guilford had the largest number of Board members in attendance. The

main focus was school safety, mental health, staff recruitment and retention, and electric buses.

- Mr. Ryan passed around the threat assessment form and gave an overview of what it is used for. We have been told by law enforcement and BOCES that our district is ahead of the game and in a good position as far as safety.
- Shelly Bartow gave an update on LINKS and she explained that Progression Partners is working with LINKS to facilitate a discussion with staff around Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
- Marek Rajner, student Board Member said it has been a quiet two weeks since our last meeting. Right now, the big thing around school is sports Girls and Boys basketball have MAC and Sectional games coming up. He has not heard any concerns from students.

Visitors in the audience included seven students from the Government class who attended as part of their course requirements.

Visitors in the  
Audience

On a motion by Gordon Daniels, seconded by Tom Akshar the Board of Education voted to approve the following Certified Personnel:

Certified Personnel

- The tenure appointment of Jennifer Sienko:  
**Name:** Jennifer Sienko  
**Tenure Area:** Licensed Teacher Assistant  
**Certificate:** LTA Level 3  
**Commencement of Service on Tenure:** 3/9/23

Yes-6; No-0. Carried.

On a motion by John Gliha, seconded by Shelly Bartow the Board of Education voted to approve the following Non-Certified Personnel:

Non-Certified  
Personnel

- The *revised* appointment of Jessica Naylor to the position of Substitute School Monitor (PT), retroactive to 1/27/23, background check complete.
- The *revised* appointment of Valerie Rowe to the position of Substitute School Monitor (PT), retroactive to 1/27/23, background check complete.
- The appointment of Rhiannon LaCross-Downey and Erin Wehrli as volunteer assistants for the drama club production, effective 2/21/23-3/5/23. Background checks complete.
- The appointment of Michael Frye-Hunt as volunteer assistant for the drama club production, effective 2/27/23-3/5/23. Background check complete.
- The appointment of Phylicia Dunham-Fleming and Keren Seiler as Social & Emotional Program Facilitators at a stipend of \$1,000 each (Grant Funded), retroactive to 7/1/22.

Yes-6; No-0. Carried.

On a motion by Tom Akshar, seconded by Gordon Daniels the Board of Education voted to approve the following Sports Personnel:

Sports Personnel

- The appointment of Kyle Besemer to the position of Football Coach Volunteer.  
Background check complete.

Yes-6; No-0. Carried.

The following planning events were discussed:

Planning

**Board Events**

- March 8<sup>th</sup> – Finance Committee Meeting @ 6:00 pm – District Conference Room
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Board of Education Meeting @ 6:00 pm – District Conference Room
- March 16<sup>th</sup> – Board of Education Meeting @ 6:00 pm – District Conference Room

**School Events**

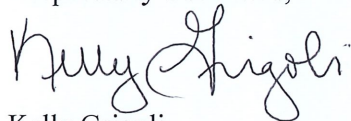
- February 17<sup>th</sup> – Greenlawn Winter Olympics
- February 20-24 – No School – President's Day Recess
- March 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> – Drama Club Performance
- March 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> – All County Music Festival @ Oxford
- March 28<sup>th</sup> – Sr. High School Spring Concert @ 7:00 pm

On a motion by Tom Akshar, seconded by Shelly Bartow the Board of Education voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm.

Adjournment

Yes-6; No-0. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelly Grigoli  
District Secretary/District Clerk