

GOUVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
July 21, 2025
5:30 p.m. HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
Final Agenda: www.gcsk12.org/boe/
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I. CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss proposed updates and revisions to the District-Wide School Safety Plan, as enumerated in Education Law and Commissioner's Regulations. The plan is designed to prevent or minimize the effects of serious violent incidents and emergencies and to facilitate the coordination of schools and the School District with local and county resources in the event of such incidents or emergencies.

The public version of the 2024-2025 district-wide school safety plan has been posted on our website for review and comments.

If no updates are presented, the 2024-2025 Plan is anticipated to be re-adopted for 2025-2026 at the next meeting on August 18 and will be posted on our website.

III. PUBLIC HEARING ON CELL PHONE POLICY

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the proposed distraction-free school policy, as required by New York State law, to prohibit the use of internet-enabled devices by students during the school day. The proposed policy, #7316, "Use of Internet-Enabled Devices During the School Day," has been posted on our website for review and comments.

The final policy is anticipated to be adopted tonight and will be posted on our website.

IV. DISCUSSION

A. Upcoming Events

Monday, August 18 – Board of Education Retreat, 4:30 PM, HS Cafeteria

Monday, August 18 – Regular Board of Education meeting, 5:30 PM, HS Auditorium

V. FINANCIAL REPORT – NONE.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – NONE.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Superintendent Jacquelyn L. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the following items as a Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of July 1, 2025

B. Claims Auditor's Reports for the period 7/01/2025 – 7/11/2025

C. CSE Business

D. CPSE Business

E. Student Activities Report – 2nd Quarter, 2025

F. Treasurer's Report - June 2025

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Superintendent Jacquelyn L. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the following Personnel items as a Consent Agenda:

A. Appointments

1. Instructional

a) Instructional Support Services (ISS) (Part-time). Appoint Terri L. Whitaker, holding permanent certification in Mathematics 7-12, to the non-probationary position of Instructional Math Coach, effective September 2, 2025, for up to 40 days during the 2025-2026 school year.

b) Special Education Teacher. Appoint Arthur R. Knauf, Jr., holding permanent certification in Special Education, to the position of Special Education Teacher in the *General Special Education* tenure area, for a three-year probationary period commencing on 9/2/25.

c) Technology Teacher. Appoint Timothy Knowlton, holding permanent certification in Technology Education, to the position of Technology Teacher in the *Industrial Arts - general* tenure area, for a three-year probationary period commencing on 9/2/25.

2. Non-Instructional

- a) School Resource Officer. Approve the provisional appointment of Edward Jenack, as a School Resource Officer (SRO) in the competitive class of the civil service, commencing on September 2, 2025.

3. Summer

- a) Summer Guidance Support. Ashley Morehouse, for up to 10 days.
b) Middle School Summer School Substitute(s): Danielle Peake.
c) Elementary School Summer School Substitute(s): Stephanie LaShomb, Ashley Barr.
d) Regents Proctors/Scorers: Danielle Peake, Evan Shampine, Julia Streeter, Terri Whitaker, Emma York, Lisa Dunkelberg, Matt Miller, Sarah Wood.

4. Extra-Curricular - 2025-2026 Coaches - Fall

FOOTBALL – MODIFIED ASSISTANT	MICHAEL A. SHATTUCK	RESCIND	
FOOTBALL – VARSITY ASSISTANT	MICHAEL A. SHATTUCK	CLASS 2	STEP 7
VOLLEYBALL – MODIFIED	GRACE DUMAS	CLASS 4	STEP 1

5. Substitutes

Approve the appointment of the following substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year, pending completion of all requirements, as presented:

Ayen	Katelynn	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Ayen	Madison	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Baer	Maureen	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Barton	Evelyn	Certified Teacher
Becker	Alexys	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Blair	Destiny	Aide
Bush	Whitney	Aide
Callahan	Sheila	Test proctor, Tutor
Canell	Connor	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Cogan	Antoinette	Certified Teacher
Cole	Rebecca	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Cox	Adrienne	Aide
Currier	Jessica	Teacher
Easton	Diane	Teacher/Teach Asst
Figueroa	Selena	Cafeteria
Gates	Drew	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Koch	Jacqueline	Tutor
Johnson	Gina	Teacher/Teach Asst
Laso	Rachel	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide

Law	Nicole	Aide
Mantia	Anita	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Massey	Donna	Teacher/Teach Asst
McIntyre	Riannon	Aide
Mitchell	Jamie	Cleaner (summer)
Newvine	Amanda	Aide
Ordway	Kaylee	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Parks	Donna	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Phelps	Jacey	LPN
Platt	Gabrielle	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Riutta	Sarah	Teacher/Teach Asst
Schesser	Maureen	Teacher
Schizler	Nikolaus	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Stiles	Jennifer	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Trowbridge	Jane	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide
Wahl	Joseph	Certified Teacher
Whitaker	Terri	Certified Teacher
Williams	Patricia	Certified Teacher
Young	Natalie	Teacher/Teach Asst, Aide

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. BOE Committee Designations - discussion
B. Policy Review – 7316: Use of Internet-Enabled Devices During the School Day
C. Proposed Waiver of Second Reading of Policy #7316
D. Proposed Adoption of Policy #7316
E. Authorization to Declare as Surplus and Sell at Auction Used Items

Whereas, the School District owns the following items which are obsolete, no longer useful or necessary for school district purposes and of no value to the School District:

Speakers (4); Model – Eliminator; Serial Nos. – on file.

Therefore, the Board of Education hereby declares such items to be surplus property and of no value to the School District and authorizes the Business Administrator to dispose of such items by auction.

X. COMMENT PERIOD

XI. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION (to discuss litigation matters).

No further business is expected to take place.

XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT