

Regular Meeting (Monday, April 20, 2026)

Tully Central School District
 Board of Education
 Tully Junior-Senior High School
 Library, 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Edward Wortley, President
 Bettemae Russell, Vice President
 Shannon Brown, Member
 Donna Doody, Member
 Jeffrey Phelps, Member
 Cheryl Wayne, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Scott Haynes, Member

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Andy Buchsbaum, Superintendent
 Ed Kupiec, Elementary Principal
 Mike O'Brien, Jr./Sr. High Principal
 Adam O'Neill, Director of Student Support Svcs.
 Paul Schiener, Director of Instructional Support Svcs.
 Kevin Sommer, School Business Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT

Jeanette Neadom, District Clerk

1. Call Meeting to Order - Meeting was called to order by Edward Wortley at 6:00 p.m.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Approve Agenda - Motion by Jeffrey Phelps, seconded by Shannon Brown to approve the agenda as presented. Vote 6 to 0.
 Motion Carried.

2. Minutes

2.1 Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting - Motion by Shannon Brown, seconded by Donna Doody to approve the minutes of March 24, 2026 as presented. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried.

3. Visitors

3.1 Visitors are recognized and welcomed - Suzanne Hardy, Art Rienhardt. No comments.

4. Presentations and Items for Discussion

4.1 2026-2029 Strategic Plan - Brian Kessler presented the proposed Strategic Plan.

4.2 2026-2027 Budget Development - Kevin Sommer presented the proposed 2026-27 Budget

4.3 Superintendent's Report

Student Government - Girl's Track is doing well; NHS Inductions were being held; Teen Institute will be presenting the MOCK DWI (info in Knight Insight); Art Classes have fieldtrips and Art show in May.

JSHS - Testing season; Student Council Elections, Capital Project work is brightening up the JSHS facility.

TES - Testing season; Spring fire drills; Read-a-Thon (88% of building participated); NYSSMA went very well.

4.4 Board of Education President's Report - nothing to add at this time.

4.5 Committee Reports - No additional remarks to add to minutes.

- Finance and Audit Committee Minutes - March 24, 2026
- Athletic Advisory Committee Minutes - March 25, 2026
- Health & Safety Committee Minutes - March 26, 2026
- Policy Committee Minutes - April 7, 2026

5. Financial Items

5.1 Financial Reports - approval of the March 2026 financial reports as presented.

5.2 Claims - approval of the March 2026 claims/payments as presented.

Motion by Shannon Brown, seconded by Bettemae Russell to approve financial items 5.1 through 5.2 by consent. Vote 6 to 0.
Motion Carried.

6. Policies

6.1 Policies for First Reading

- 3291 Traffic and Parking on School Property (New) - Motion by Jeffrey Phelps, seconded by Cheryl Wayne to approve policy 3291 for first reading. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried.
- 5350 Change Orders for Capital Projects - Motion by Jeffrey Phelps, seconded by Donna Doody to approve policy 5350 for first reading. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried.

6.2 Policies for Second Reading and Adoption

- 7513 - Medication and Personal Care Items
- 7521 - Students w Life-Threatening Health Conditions-Anaphylaxis

Motion by Jeffrey Phelps, seconded by Cheryl Wayne to approve policies 7513 and 7521 for second reading and adoption. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried.

7. Personnel

7.1 Appointment of Contract Bus Driver - appointment of Christopher Card to the non-competitive class position of probationary Contract Bus Driver with a retroactive effective date of April 20, 2026, with a 52 week probationary period. This appointment is in accordance with the current terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Tully Central School District and Teamsters Local Union 317.

7.2 Appointment of Bus Aide - appointment of Anna Martin to the labor class Cortland County civil service position of probationary Bus Aide effective April 21, 2026, with a 52 week probationary period. This appointment is in accordance with the current terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Tully Central School District and Teamsters Local Union 317.

Motion by Bettemae Russell, seconded by Donna Doody to approve personnel items 7.1 through 7.2 by consent. Vote 6 to 0.
Motion Carried.

8. New Business

8.1 Proposition I - 2026-2027 Proposed Budget - rintendent recommends the following language for Proposition I - 2026-2027 Proposed Budget on the ballot for May 19, 2026.

8.2 BOCES Administrative Budget - approval of BOCES tentative 2026-2027 administrative budget in the amount of \$11,722,448.

8.3 BOCES Annual Election - approval that one vote each be cast in the annual election of Members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services for the April 20, 2026 vote of the three year term of office of July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2029 for each individual listed on the attachment.

8.4 Strategic Plan - approval of the Strategic Plan as presented.

8.5 Reorganization Meeting - approval of the reorganization meeting for the 2026-2027 school year be scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

8.6 2026 Capital Outlay Agreement - authorization for the Superintendent to negotiate and enter into an agreement on behalf of the district with King & King for architectural/engineering services as presented and the Superintendent is authorized to sign same.

8.7 ADA-PEP Agreement - approval of the agreement with OCM BOCES for Alcohol-Drug Abuse Prevention and Education Program (ADA-PEP) from January 1 - December 31, 2026 and the President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign same.

8.8 Maintenance Surplus - approval of the surplus of maintenance items per the attached listing and the School District is authorized to sell, donate or dispose of the technology items as it may deem fit, consistent with applicable law.

8.9 Transportation Requests - approval of transportation requests either to or not to transport to private schools for the 2026-2027 school year as presented on the attachment.

8.10 Property Tax Report Card 2026-2027 - approval of the Property Tax Report Card 2026-2027.

8.11 Volunteers - approval of volunteers as listed below.

8.12 CSE Recommendations - approval of CSE recommendations as presented.

Motion by Cheryl Wayne, seconded by Shannon Brown to approve new business items 8.1 through 8.12 by consent. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried.

9. Meetings and Dates

9.1 Upcoming meetings and dates

- Facilities Committee Meeting - April 22, 2026, 3:00 p.m., Virtual
- Health and Safety Committee Meeting - April 23, 2026, 3:00 p.m.
- Budget Public Hearing - May 5, 2026, 6:00 p.m.
- Academic Advisory Committee Meeting - May 6, 2026, 3:30 p.m.
- Policy Committee Meeting - May 12, 2025, 8:15 a.m.
- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting - May 19, 2026, 5:00 p.m.
- BOE Annual Vote and Election - May 19, 2026, 7 am to 8:00 pm; TES Gymnasium
- BOE Meeting - May 19, 2026, 6:00 p.m., JSHS Library
- Facilities Committee Meeting - May 20, 2026, 3:00 p.m., Virtual
- Wellness Committee Meeting - May 20, 2026, 3:00 p.m.
- Health and Safety Committee Meeting - May 21, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

10. Public Comments

10.1 Public Comments - no comments

11. Executive Session

11.1 Proposed Executive Session - Motion by Jeffrey Phelps, seconded by Cheryl Wayne to adjourn into executive session to discuss tenure and contracts review. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried. Time: 6:36 p.m.

11.2 Return from Executive Session - Motion by Jeffrey Phelps, seconded by Cheryl Wayne to return to open session. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried. Time: 7:52 p.m.

11.3 Possible Action from Executive Session - no action from executive session.

12. Adjournment

12.1 Adjourn Meeting - Motion by Donna Doody, seconded by Cheryl Wayne to adjourn the meeting. Vote 6 to 0. Motion Carried. Time: 7:53 p.m.


Jeanette Neadom, District Clerk

Draft Minutes: 4/23/2026
Scheduled for BOE Review: 5/19/2026
BOE Approval: 5/19/2026