

Pine Plains Central School District  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 20, 2023

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Amie Fredericks, President  
Joseph Kiernan, Vice President  
Fred Couse, Jr.  
James Griffin  
Heidi Johnson  
Jean Stapf

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Brian Timm, Superintendent of Schools  
Laura Rafferty, Business Manager  
Julia W. Tomaine, District Clerk  
Sara Griffin, Student BOE Member

**OPEN MEETING**

Mrs. Fredericks opened the meeting at 6:30 pm. She led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Fredericks read the Mission and Vision statements.

Mission Statement: We develop the whole child to be a lifelong learner and a productive member of the global community.

Vision Statement: We are a district of choice offering exceptional opportunities to engage and excite our entire school community.

National Payroll Week is celebrated during the week of September 4-8. Mrs. Fredericks acknowledged Aileen Waltke, the District's Payroll Clerk, for all that she does to pay the employees of the Pine Plains Central School District.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS WISHING TO SPEAK**

None

**REPORT OF BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

None

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. Dr. Timm discussed the launching of the new website and mobile app.
2. Mrs. Tomaine gave a sneak peek of the new website to the Board
3. Dr. Timm shared the Administrators' reports.

**STUDENT BOE MEMBER'S REPORT**

1. Ms. Griffin discussed the following items:
  - a. Senior Sunrise that was rainy, so they had breakfast together
  - b. Wizards Family Fun Night
  - c. Prom
  - d. Preparation for Ag Day

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- e. Varsity Bonfire on 10/18/23

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Couse requested that #7 be removed from the consent agenda so there could be a discussion on the resolution.

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda #2-15, minus #7:

2. To approve the attached recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and authorize the funds to implement special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations noting that these are confidential.
3. To approve a budget transfer in the amount of \$135,000.
4. To approve the following Overnight Field Trips:
  - FFA AG Fair Campout, S. Rhoades.
5. To accept as a second reading and adoption of the following policies upon the recommendation of the BOE Policy Committee:
  - #4821 - School Ceremonies and Observances
  - #5225 - Student Personal Expression
  - #6670 - Petty Cash
6. To accept as a first reading of the following policy based on the recommendation of the policy committee:
  - # 2210 – Organizational Meetings
8. To approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes Registered Nurses employed by the Pine Plains Central School District to train unlicensed school personnel in the administration of emergency medications, prescribed glucagon and epinephrine auto injectors, to students during the school day on school property and at any school function, in emergency situations where a licensed health professional is not available, in accordance with Section 921 of the New York State Education Law.
9. To approve the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been provided evidence that the following individuals have completed training which meets the requirements of § NYCRR 30-3.10 and the Pine Plains Central School District's Annual Professional Performance Review Plan, for certification as a Lead Evaluator of Teachers:
  - Julie Roberts
  - Kristen Fischetti
  - Christopher Boyd
  - Gian Starr
  - Janine Babcock
  - Sara Von Burg
10. To approve the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been provided evidence that Brian Timm has completed training which meets the requirements

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of § NYCRR 30-3.10 and the Pine Plains Central School District's Annual Professional Performance Review Plan, for certification as a Lead Evaluator of Administrator.

11. To approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby creates the following position:
  - One (1) full-time position of teacher aide, civil service position in the non-competitive class
12. To change the employment status of Wanda Lopez from part-time to full-time teacher aide, effective September 6, 2023.
13. To terminate Carina Moore from the position of School Monitor, effective September 11, 2023.
14. To amend a portion of motion #2023/24-14 to appoint Gabrielle Baker as Co-Advisor for the SADD and to adjust the appointment of Jessica Wisniewski from Advisor to Co-Advisor for SADD.
15. To appoint the following individuals as a substitute or temporary workers for the 2022-23 school year, pending completion of all requirements:
  - Jennifer Lamping, Substitute Teacher
  - Madison Michetti, Substitute Teacher
  - Susan Cooper, School Nurse
  - Leann Nichols, School Nurse

**VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-27)**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Red Hook Central School District (hereinafter "Red Hook"), the Rhinebeck Central School District (hereinafter "Rhinebeck"), and the Pine Plains Central School District (hereinafter "Pine Plains") are parties to a Shared Personnel Agreement for the 2018-2019 fiscal/school year (and as extended through the 2021-2022 year) for the purpose of sharing food service administration and supervision services; and, WHEREAS, the parties mutually desire to extend said agreement for the 2023-2024 fiscal/school year under the same basic terms and conditions as defined in the Shared Personnel Agreement for the 2018-2019 (and as extended through the 2021-2022 year).

**VOTE: Motion failed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-28)**

There was a conversation regarding the increased cost of the shared services. Also, the cost sharing between the three districts was not evident in the breakdown in the contract.

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves a First Addendum Agreement dated September 20, 2023 to the Superintendent's Contract dated April 21, 2021, extending the Contract for Dr. Brian Timm through August 31, 2028, and authorizes its President to execute said First Addendum Agreement, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

**VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-29)**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Cavey, resident of Pine Plains discussed the following topics:

1. Email exchange between Mr. Kiernan and Mr. Cavey
2. Minutes
3. Acknowledged Mrs. Fredericks and Mr. Kiernan in their new roles as BOE Leadership
4. Vacancy on the Board
5. Getting more community support
6. Website

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Mr. Couse asked for a placeholder to be put on the next agenda to discuss archive issues.

Mrs. Fredericks discussed an email the BOE received regarding the Dutchess Advocacy Committee.

The Board will be hosting a table at the Ag Fair.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:07 pm.

**VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-30)**

Respectfully submitted,

Julia W. Tomaine, District Clerk