

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District was called to order by the Board Vice-President, at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Auditorium.

Members present: Chris Richter, Jamie Fitch, Joe Geer, Elizabeth Doll, Arnie Rychlicki, and Michael Balonek at 6:02 p.m.

Members absent: John Bickford

Others present: Robert Molisani, Superintendent; Jeremy Nardone, Business Administrator; David Bulter, Elementary Principal; Michele Meyer, Assist. Principal/Curr. & Instruction Coord; Rebekah Chenaille, Middle/High School Principal; Susan Voos, District Clerk, and community members

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 2. Approval of Revised Out-of-Country Field Trip

IX. PERSONNEL

- 4. Leave of Absence, TABLED

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Geer, seconded by Doll, to approve the following Consent Agenda items

- 1. Minutes 3.8.22
 - 2. General Fund Warrants #44
 - 3. School Lunch Fund Warrant #10
 - 4. Federal Fund Warrant #9
 - 5. District Treasurer Report – February 2022
 - 6. Extra Classroom Treasurer Report – February 2022
 - 7. CSE Recommendations:
- Ayes; 5, Nays; 0, motion carried

1. **Correspondence** – Mr. Molisani mentioned some of the recent points of pride: Ten high school students received the Livingston County Teen Recognition Award and will attend a dinner in April, LCAA 1 all-stars, Kyle Wade, Scott Essig, Evan Raniewicz, and Hazell Nickerson; Exceptional seniors, Camden Reed, Scott Essig, Evan Raniewicz, Alex Carnes, and Taylor Mills, Senior Kyle Wade was invited to play in the Ronald McDonald All-Star game, Coach Michelle Carson was named as LCAA Cheer Coach of the Year, all varsity winter teams received the NYS Scholar Athlete award and the National Honor Society hosted a Red Cross Blood Drive at Jones Hall on March 14th, and many other outstanding achievements by our students. Mr. Molisani shared a letter he wrote to the members of Congress regarding extending the Free Lunch program until September 30, 2022, if not for the entire year, given the impact of COVID and inflation. Mrs. Doll inquired about the increase in student lunches served and Mr. Molisani mentioned that there has been a significant increase.

2. **Guests of the Board** – none

3. Public Forum

Johnnie Ross, President of Cal-Mum Council of Churches, and priest at St. Andrews, asked the Board to make a statement that it did not tolerate hate in any form. He spoke on the recent graffiti at Tennant Park and that he met with the mayor who agreed to send out a statement regarding this incident. He stated how disappointed he was in some of the comments made at the last meeting. He says we don't have to agree on the same beliefs but we need to be a part of one community.

Anna Metzger has two children in the district and mentioned that she is here for her children. She would like to see more emphasis put on the basics of reading, writing, history and English. She feels extremely uncomfortable when her children come home from school reporting an uncomfortable situation and, when that happens, she will speak up.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Review of the BOCES Expenditures – Mr. Molisani went over the BOCES Expenditures and explained a few of the increases such as Special Ed services, career and technical Ed programs, licensing and tech purchases which run all of the software, and transportation services. With all of the BOCES expenditures there is a modest increase of 1.07%.

2. 2022-2023 Budget Development presentation – Mr. Molisani reviewed the budget proposals in the general support category, instruction, employee benefits, and community services, along with the transportation and capital reserve propositions. Mr. Molisani mentioned that the administration reviewed budget priorities and eliminated the .5 special education teacher, head custodial position, new furniture in classrooms, and a purchase of a new camera.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Approval of the 2022-2023 Instructional Calendar

Motion by Rychlicki, seconded by Geer that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Instructional Calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2022-2023 School Budget Student Transportation Resolution

Motion by Geer, seconded by Fitch, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, place the following resolution on the ballot on May 17, 2022:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of one (1) 65-passenger school bus, at an estimated maximum cost of \$136,500, less trade-in value, if any, and that such costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed \$136,500 shall be issued, or the school district may enter into an installment purchase contract if the Board of Education determines that it is in the best interest of the school district to finance the purchase in that method.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

2. Establish 2022 Building Capital Reserve Fund Resolution

Motion by Rychlicki, seconded by Geer, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, place the following resolution on the ballot on May 17, 2022:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is hereby authorized and directed to establish a reserve fund pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 to be known as the “2022 Building Capital Reserve Fund,” for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part, construction, re-construction, improvement and equipping of school buildings and facilities, and costs incidental thereto; with the ultimate amount of such reserve fund not exceeding ten million dollars (\$10,000,000), plus any accrued earnings on amounts deposited in such reserve fund, the probable existence of said reserve fund being ten (10) years, but with said reserve fund continuing in existence for its stated purpose until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted, and the sources from which funds shall be obtained for said reserve fund being: (a) an initial amount transferred upon voter approval of all funds remaining in the 2017 Building Capital Reserve Fund, as established by the District on May 16, 2017; (b) from unappropriated fund balance remaining in the general fund at the end of this fiscal year and/or from time to time thereafter, in such amount as the Board of Education may designate; (c) state aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time related to transportation and/or maintenance costs; and (d) any other monies derived from budgetary appropriations or other sources authorized by the voters from time to time, all as permitted by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is hereby authorized and directed to transfer all funds remaining in the “2017 Building Capital Reserve Fund,” as established by the District on May 16, 2017, specifically up to \$1.1 million dollars (\$1,100,000), to the “2022 Building Capital Reserve Fund;” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2017 Building Capital Reserve Fund is hereby depleted and dissolved as a result of this action; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is authorized to take any and all action necessary to effectuate the creation and funding of the 2022 Building Capital Reserve Fund, as well as any and all action necessary to effectuate the transfer and dissolution of the 2017 Building Capital Reserve Fund, as described herein.

To sum up this resolution, any monies left from the 2017 Capital Reserve fund will be transferred into the 2022 Capital Reserve Fund. This reserve will help offset any tax impact for our next Capital project. This will include future renovations, construction, or reconstruction of our buildings and grounds.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

3. Acceptance of Gifts to the School District

Motion by Balonek, seconded by Fitch, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the gift donation of one pallet of soccer balls. This is accordance with the Board Policy #5230.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION--

Motion by Balonek, seconded by Richter, that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 7:18 PM to discuss the employment and employee history of particular persons.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

IX. PERSONNEL

1. Appointment of MS/HS Principal

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education appoint Rebekah Chenaille, as Middle School/High School Principal, effective January 3, 2022, a position in the Secondary Principal Tenure Area, in which Dr. Chenaille was tenured, effective July 1, 2020.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

2. Appointment of Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator/Elementary Assistant Principal

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education appoint Michele Meyer as the Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator/Elementary Assistant Principal, effective January 3, 2022, a position in the Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator/Elementary Assistant Principal Tenure Area, and amends her tenure appointment, effective January 21, 2021, to reflect that her tenure is in the area of Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator/Elementary Assistant Principal.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

3. Resignation of Cleaner for Purpose of Retirement

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept with regret and best wishes, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of **Catherine Mannix**, cleaner, effective June 30, 2022.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

4. Approval of Leave of Absence

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to table the leave of absence request.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

5. Resignation of Long-Term Substitute

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the resignation of **Samantha Ezzell** as Long-Term Substitute effective March 11, 2022, for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

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6. Approval of Substitute Teacher

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve **Anthony DeFrank** as a per-diem substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

7. Appointment of Mentor

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve **Patricia McMullen** as mentor to Samantha Ezzell/Jen Kelley during the 2021-2022 school year.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

8. Resignation of Food Service Worker for Purpose of Retirement

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept with regret and best wishes, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of **Nancy Mullen**, food service worker, effective June 30, 2022.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

9. Approval of Substitute Maintenance Mechanic

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve **Ernie Whaley** as a per-diem substitute maintenance mechanic.
Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

10. Appointment of Substitute Bus Driver

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve **Katie Erwin** as a per-diem substitute bus driver effective February 9, 2022.
Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

11. Appointment of Coaches

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following spring coaches:

Linda Poole — Modified Softball

Matt Heins — Modified Baseball

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

Motion by Geer, seconded by Doll, that the Board of Education return to regular session at 8:33 PM. Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting of March 22, 2022, at 8:38 PM.

Ayes; 6, Nays 0, motion carried

Susan J. Voos, District Clerk