

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District was called to order by the Board President, at 6:03 p.m. in the Middle High Auditorium.

Members present: John Bickford, Jamie Fitch, Joe Geer, Elizabeth Doll, Arnie Rychlicki, and Michael Balonek

Members absent: Chris Richter

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**

**IX. PERSONNEL**

- 6. Appointment of Computer Service Assistant

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- 1. Minutes 3.22.22
  - 2. General Fund Warrants #46
  - 3. Budget Transfers
  - 4. Property Tax Report Card 2021-2022
  - 5. CSE Recommendation
- Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

1. **Correspondence** – Mr. Molisani mentioned the outstanding performance of students on the Honor Roll List. 73% of our students were listed on either the honor or high honor roll. He also highlighted the cast and crew for the enjoyable musical performances of “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown.”

2. **Guests of the Board** – none

3. **Public Forum**

Rick McKay, long-time community member, has concerns with issues that he hears about going on in schools across the nation. He would like to see Cal-Mum be more transparent with some of these topics.

Diane Pope - spoke of her concerns regarding what children learn and hear at school. She is asking educators to educate children to go on to live in today's society.

**VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**1. Elementary, Middle and High School Compact Committees Update**

Mr. Bulter shared that the Elementary School is holding its annual PARP festival.

This year’s theme is “Reading is a Treasurer”. Students were encouraged to bring in a favorite book and give it to their teacher and in turn, the teacher will bury the book as a treasurer. Pirates were all around the elementary school as children looked for treasures. Next week the festival will continue with a family story walk throughout the community. At the middle school level, Dr. Chenaille mentioned the compact team is reviewing the Code of Conduct. She also reported that a student leadership team is preparing for the second year of Camp Raider. It will be an all-day event for students in grades 6-12 and will be held on May 26th. A day full of activities and lunch which will launch the preparation for finals week. Dr. Chenaille will be reaching out to the compact teams and parents to volunteer on this very busy day. Dr. Chenaille also mentioned that the alumni association is almost up and running and more details will follow.

**2. Elevator Repair Report**

Mr. Molisani mentioned that the elementary school elevator has had a few incidents of being stuck. No students have been allowed to use the elevator but it does need to be repaired. After a couple of companies looking at it and giving their opinions, both companies recommended a new electrical component be installed. In the board packet there is a resolution for the repair. This will qualify for state aid of 84%.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS - None**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Transportation Requests to Out-of-District Nonpublic Schools for 2022-2023

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Geer, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the transportation requests to out-of-district nonpublic schools as attached for the 2022-2023 school year.

Ayes 6, Nays 0; motion carried

2. Appointment of Chief/Head Election Inspector and Election Officials

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Geer, that the Board of Education appoint the Chief/Head Election Inspector and Election Inspectors from the Livingston County Board of Elections List for the Annual School Budget Vote and Board Election on May 17, 2022.

*Livingston County has provided a list of approved election inspectors and officials for the budget vote.*

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

3. Presentation of the Proposed 2022-2023 School Budget

*Tonight is the adoption of the proposed budget. Once again Mr. Molisani went over the 2022-23 school budget. The General Support area which includes personnel, BOCES expenses, and all operations of the school has a modest increase, the Instructional area which the core of the expenses are staff, support staff, OT & PT, librarian, and athlete clubs will have an increase of just over two percent. Transportation has a large increase due to the fuel costs and Employee Benefits will have the largest impact on the budget. Full presentation of the budget is on the website.*

4. Adoption of the Proposed 2022-2023 Annual School Budget

Motion by Rychlicki and seconded by Doll, to adopt the proposed budget of expenditures for the fiscal year 2022-2023 in the amount of \$19,449,205 and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Education, be one and the same, is approved and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district.

Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

5. Three Part Budget Summary

- Three Part Component

*Mr. Nardone broke down the Three Part Budget Summary to include figures from the Administrative, Program, and Capital Components.*

- Annual School District Budget Hearing on Tuesday, May 10, 2022

6. SEQRA Resolution

Motion by Geer and seconded by Balonek, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the SEQRA Resolution listed below:

The voters of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District (the "School District") will be asked to approve a capital reconstruction project consisting of lighting upgrades in the MS/HS building as well as lighting upgrades on the exterior of the MS/HS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. According to the regulations of the New York State Education Department, the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is primarily responsible for assuring compliance with the procedural and substantive requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (6NYCRR Part 617, as amended) promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA").

2. Based upon the review by the Board of Education of the proposed project, the Board hereby declares itself lead agency to the extent necessary for this purpose, if any, and hereby finds that the proposed action constitutes a “type II action” as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA and, therefore, is not subject to any further review by the School District under SEQRA. A listing of such type II actions is attached hereto. The action consists of routine activities of an educational institution, as well as replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility in kind, on the same site.
3. A copy of this resolution shall be placed on file in the office of the District Clerk where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours. This resolution shall take effect immediately.  
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

7. Cancellation of April 19, 2022 Board Meeting

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, cancel the April 19, 2022, Board Meeting.  
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

8. BOE Special Meeting at 6:00 on April 25, 2022, to adopt the BOCES Administrative Budget.

Motion by Rychlicki and second by Geer, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, schedule a BOE Special Meeting on April 25, 2022, at 6:00 to adopt the BOCES Administrative Budget.  
*Discussion: Board members decided to hold the Special Meeting at 6:00 PM on April 25, 2022.*  
Ayes 6, Nays 0, motion carried

9. Authorize Emergency Approval of Elevator Project

**WHEREAS**, on or about March 15, 2022, the elevator located in the Caledonia-Mumford Elementary School (the “School”) experienced an unexpected and unanticipated mechanical failure causing the elevator to become immediately and fully inoperable resulting in students and staff members with disabilities being unable to access the School and move safely within the School; and,

**WHEREAS**, the mechanical damage to the School elevator is severe and pervasive and renders the elevator fully inoperable, which constitutes an emergency which prevents safe accessibility to the School for individuals with disabilities, threatens the health and safety of the building occupants, and requires the District to take appropriate immediate action which cannot await competitive bidding as otherwise may be required; and,

**WHEREAS**, the District recommends removal, encapsulation, enclosure, repair, and/or operations and maintenance at the School (the “Work”) in the least burdensome responsive action that will ensure safe accessibility to the School for individuals with disabilities and to ensure the protection human health and safety; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Work constitutes a Type II action exempt from review pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.C.R § 617.5(c)(2) and (42); and,

**WHEREAS**, to complete the Work needed at the School, the District is required to hire qualified, certified and/or licensed contractor(s) to perform and complete such work, so as to ensure accessibility to the School for individuals with disabilities and protect the health, safety and welfare of the occupants of the School; and,

**WHEREAS**, the District’s current unallocated fund balance is \$760,775; and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Education Department has determined that expenses incurred to mitigate the effects of an emergency are ordinary contingent expenses that can be funded by a school district's unallocated fund balance; and

**WHEREAS**, the District is authorized to utilize the unallocated fund balance to pay the costs to be incurred to complete the Work; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board hereby finds that the completion of the Work is in the best interests of the District given its emergency nature and impact on building safety and student and staff health and safety;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT (THE "BOARD") HEREBY:**

1. Declares the damage to Caledonia-Mumford Elementary School elevator as a result of the unexpected mechanical failure of the elevator on March 15, 2022 is an emergency which prevents safe accessibility to the School for individuals with disabilities and threatens the health and safety of the building occupants; and,
2. Authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and/or his designee to select a licensed and/or certified contractor(s) to conduct removal, encapsulation, enclosure, repair, and/or operations and maintenance for the School elevator in the least burdensome and necessary response action that ensures safe accessibility to the School for individuals with disabilities and protects the health and safety of the building occupants; and,
3. Authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and/or his designee to enter into a contract with such selected contractor(s) according to terms of a contract(s) approved by counsel to the District and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute such contract(s); and,
4. Authorizes the expenditure of funds up to \$75,000.00 (the "Expenditure") from the District's unallocated fund balance to pay the costs of and associated with the Work; and
5. Declares the Expenditure constitutes an ordinary contingent expense within the meaning of Education Law Section 2023; and
6. Authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute any other documents consistent with this Resolution; and
7. Deems this Resolution to take effect immediately and shall also ratify previous actions undertaken by the District staff to implement the work, and to protect and preserve District property and ensure the safety of the occupants of the School under the circumstances.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION--**

Motion by Geer, seconded by Fitch, that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 6:58 PM to discuss the employment and employee history of particular persons.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

**IX. PERSONNEL**

**1. Resignation of Cook Manager for Purpose of Retirement**

Motion by Geer and 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 **Barbara Vescovi**, effective June 24, 2022.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

**2. Resignation of Food Service Worker for Purpose of Retirement**

Motion by Geer and 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 **Karen Marsh**, Food Service Worker, effective June 24, 2022.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

**3. Resignation of Teacher**

Motion by Geer and seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept with regret and best wishes, the resignation of **Adam Toy**, Science Teacher, effective April 22, 2022.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

**4. Approval of Substitute Teacher**

Motion by Geer and seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint **Joseph Sarratori** as Substitute Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year effective April 6, 2021, pending fingerprint clearance.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

**5. Resignation of Long-Term Substitute Teacher**

Motion by Geer and seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept with regret and best wishes, the resignation of **Jamie Henshaw**, Long-Term Substitute Teacher, effective April 8, 2022.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

**6. Approve Computer Services Assistant**

Motion by Geer and seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve **Matthew Woelffer** to a full time civil service probationary Computer Service Assistant position. The probationary period will be May 5, 2022 through May 4, 2023.

Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried

Motion by Fitch, seconded by Doll, that the Board of Education return to regular session at 8:44 PM. Ayes; 6, Nays; 0, motion carried
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**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Geer, seconded by Rychlicki, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting of April 5, 2022, at 8:46 PM.

Ayes; 6, Nays 0, motion carried

