

Regular Meeting

March 28, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District was called to order by the Board President, at 6:00 p.m. in the Middle/High School Chorus Room.

Members present: Chris Richter, Liz Doll, Liz Dietrich, John Bickford, Arnie Rychlicki, Jamie Fitch, and Mike Balonek

Members absent: None

Others present: Robert Molisani, Superintendent; Jeremy Nardone, Business Administrator; Michele Meyer, Assist. Principal/Curr. & Instruction Coordinator; Rebekah Chenaille, Middle/High School Principal; Dave Bulter, Elementary Principal; Megan Rogers, Pupil Services Director; Susan Voos, District Clerk.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes 3/14/23
 2. General Fund Warrant #44 (64953-65003)
 3. School Lunch Fund Warrant #8 (106460-106473)
 4. Federal Warrant #8 (2410-2413)
 5. Extra Classroom Treasurer's Report – February 2023
 6. CSE Recommendations
- Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

V. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Correspondence: Board members announced student's points of pride: Ally Walker, Faith Manchester, Leilani Monegro, and David Tetreault were nominated for the Livingston County Teen Recognition Award, outstanding performances by the cast and crew of Bye Bye Birdie, Tabitha Cole won the class competition by memorizing 82 digits of Pi, the Archery Team competed in Syracuse (Mrs. Doll remarked that she enjoyed seeing the pictures on Facebook!), and a highly successful week of reading and activities (PARP) including Mr. Bulter and Mrs. Meyer being taped to the wall!
2. Guests of the Board - None
3. Public Forum - None

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. 2023-2024 Budget Development Presentation #4 – Mr. Molisani reviewed budget presentation #4. He pointed out that all presentations are on the school's website and mentioned that tonight the Board would be voting on the propositions (listed below). Mr. Molisani explained the BOCES expenditures, the largest increases being Administrative charges, vendor licensing, and Tech purchases due to Ed. Law 2D. He noted that BOCES Special Ed services and Occupational Services have a decrease. At the April 11th meeting he will go over some cuts to be considered.
2. Events, Activities and Opportunities Presentation – This is a new link on the main page of the website which will host communications for students, parents, and community activities, rather than stuffing backpack with several flyers (hard copies will be available at main offices). As with any new system, there may be some adjustments. It was suggested that there be a standing link on the daily emailed announcements.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. SEQRA Resolution

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

WHEREAS, the voters of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District (the "School District") will be asked to approve a capital reconstruction project consisting of HVAC upgrades to the Caledonia-Mumford Elementary School building located at 99 North Street, Caledonia, NY 14423 (the "Project");

and

WHEREAS, the Board of the School District is required to make a determination regarding the Project pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Act and the regulations promulgated thereto at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (collectively referred to as "SEQRA").

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

1. The Board hereby determines that the Project is a Type II action exempt from SEQRA review pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(2) and (5) of the SEQRA regulations since the Project consists of routine activities of an educational institution and the replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility in kind on the same site.

2. 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.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

2. Create 2023 Vehicle and Equipment Reserve Fund

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Rychlicki that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, place the following resolution on the ballot on May 16, 2023:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law there is hereby established a capital reserve fund for the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District, New York, which shall be designated as the "2023 Vehicle and Equipment Reserve Fund" of said School District.

Section 2. Such 2023 Vehicle/Equipment Reserve Fund is hereby established for financing, in whole or in part, the following objects or purposes of said School District: The purchase of vehicles, equipment, machinery or apparatus, furnishings, and costs incidental thereto, including transportation vehicles (buses and vans), buildings and grounds equipment, furnishings, and other equipment, machinery or apparatus incidental thereto or separately, that would be eligible for bond financing under the Local Finance Law, and costs incidental thereto.

Section 3. The ultimate amount of such Fund shall be \$1,000,000 plus earnings thereon.

Section 4. The probable term of such Fund shall be ten (10) years, after which time no further funds may be transferred to such Fund, unless previously extended by the voters, but such Fund shall continue in existence until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted.

Section 5. The source from which the funds for such Fund will be obtained is as follows: (a) an initial deposit of \$355,216 plus an interest earnings, to be transferred from the existing Vehicle/Equipment Reserve Fund, and (b) current and future unappropriated fund balances from the General Fund of the District, as directed by the Board of Education; (c) State aid related to expenditures from said reserve fund; (d) transfers from other reserve funds; (e) any other appropriations authorized by the voters from time to time; and (f) interest earnings.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect upon the approval thereof by a majority of the qualified voters of said School District voting on a proposition therefore submitted at the annual district meeting of said School District, the details of which shall be specified by a further resolution of this Board of Education. Upon such approval, no further action of this Board of Education will be required to perfect the establishment of such Reserve Fund.
Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

3. Creation of Transportation Proposition and 2023 Vehicle and Equipment Propositions

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Dietrich that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, place the following resolutions on the ballot on May 16, 2023:

PROPOSITION # 2

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of school buses, at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$200,000, 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 \$200,000 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.

PROPOSITION # 3

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Shall the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District be authorized and directed to establish a reserve fund pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 to be known as the "2023 Vehicle and Equipment Reserve Fund" for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part, the purchase of vehicles, equipment, machinery or apparatus, furnishings, and costs incidental thereto, including transportation vehicles (buses and vans), buildings and grounds equipment, furnishings, and other equipment, machinery or apparatus incidental thereto or separately, provided that such capital costs are an object or purpose that would be eligible for financing under the Local Finance Law, with the ultimate amount of such reserve fund not exceeding One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), 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 Education Law, and the source from which funds shall be obtained for said reserve fund being: (a) an initial deposit of \$355,216 plus any interest earnings, to be transferred from the existing Vehicle/Equipment Reserve Fund, and (b) current and future unappropriated fund balances from the General Fund of the District, as directed by the Board of Education; (c) State aid related to expenditures from said reserve fund; (d) transfers from other reserve funds; (e) any other appropriations authorized by the voters from time to time; and (f) interest earnings.

2. At such meeting taxes to be levied by installments will be proposed for authorized indebtedness providing for payment of the acquisition of a school bus at an estimated maximum cost of not to exceed \$200,000. Such taxes shall be levied upon all the taxable property of the District, shall be levied in annual installments and shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education.

3. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to add the above to the notice of the annual meeting of the School District.

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.
Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

4. Appointment of Head Election Inspector and Election Officials

Motion by Bickford, seconded by Dietrich, that the Board of Education appoint the 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 16, 2023.
Ayes 6, Nays 0, Abstain 1, motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Fitch that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 6:35pm to discuss the employment and employee history of particular persons and confidential student records protected by FERPA.

IX. PERSONNEL

1. Appointment of Building Maintenance Person

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Balonek that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Austin Burnside to the 1.0 FTE probationary civil service Building Maintenance Person effective March 27, 2023. The probationary period will be from March 27, 2023, through March 26, 2024.

Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

~~2. Appointment of Building Maintenance Person~~

~~RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint XXXXX to the 1.0 FTE probationary Civil Service Building Maintenance Person effective April 12, 2023, pending fingerprint clearance. The probationary period will be from April 12, 2023, through April 11, 2024.~~

~~Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried~~

3. Resignation of Elementary Teacher

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Balonek that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept with regret and best wishes, the resignation of Janet Yaekel, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2023.

Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

4. Approval of Substitute Teacher

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Balonek that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Danielle Lopez as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year.

Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

5. Appointment of School Nurse

Motion by Fitch and seconded by Balonek that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Megan Callan to the 1.0 FTE probationary civil service Registered Professional School Nurse position. The probationary period will be from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.

Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion carried

Motion by Balonek and seconded by Fitch that the Board of Education return to regular session at 8:00 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bickford and seconded by Fitch that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting of March 28, 2023, at 8:05 p.m.

