

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2024

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
Sarah 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.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS WISHING TO SPEAK

Ms. Karen Burka, resident of the Pawling Central School District, shared that she is interested in being nominated for a Dutchess BOCES Board of Education seat.

REPORT OF BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Policy committee met tonight and will be meeting again on March 20, 2024.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Budget Workshop: Richard McKibben, Director of Facilities and Lauren Ross, Transportation Supervisor reviewed their budgets for the 2024-25 school year. Laura Rafferty gave an overall update on the budget process. Board comments and questions followed.
2. Administrators' Reports
3. Dr. Timm congratulated the Winter Sports teams for receiving the NYSPHAA Varsity Scholar Athlete Team Award.
4. BOCES Nominations are due on March 20, 2024.

STUDENT BOE MEMBER'S REPORT

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1. Ms. Griffin discussed the following items:
 - a. Sports update
 - b. Chorus competed in the International Competition of High School Acapella Quarter Finals.
 - c. Jar Wars fundraiser for St. Jude's Fund ending soon.
 - d. Key Club supporting Muscular dystrophy by selling paper shamrocks.
 - e. Social Problems class is collecting food supplies for the school run food pantry.
 - f. Update on the Dances held at SSILC and Stissing Middle School
 - g. Senior Class Trip presentation

OLD BUSINESS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mr. Couse seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda #1-4:

1. To accept the minutes from January 17, 2024.
2. To approve the attached Financial Reports:
 - Treasurer's Report (January)
 - Appropriations Report (January)
 - Revenue Status Report (January)
 - Cafeteria Report (January)
 - Extra-Classroom (January)
 - Warrants
3. To approve a budget transfer in the amount of \$340,206.01.
4. 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.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-161)

NEW BUSINESS – OTHER

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to add a field trip as an agenda item at the end of the New Business – Other section.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-162)

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve the following overnight field trip:

-Ashokan, Olivebridge, NY, Berardo

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-163)

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Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve the attached agreement between the District and Karen Bartash to purchase Data Consulting services for the 23-24 School Year in the amount not to exceed \$4,500.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-164)

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to approve the following overnight field trip:

-Kartrite Indoor Water Park, Monticello, NY, Blackburn/Griffin

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-165)

NEW BUSINESS – PERSONNEL

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to change the employment status of Christopher Wyant from provisional to permanent for the position of Head Custodian, a competitive class civil service position, effective June 3, 2022.

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-166)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Marks, Bus Driver commented on Bus Driver duties.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Couse asked for the Jean Hart Scholarship fund be added to the next agenda.

Other comments were on the upcoming audit committee and the feedback on the recent Board Retreat.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Griffin moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s) at 7:50 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-167)

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to return to public session at 8:31 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-168)

ADJOURN

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-169)

Respectfully submitted,

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Amie Fredericks, Clerk Pro Tem