

PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
Monday, June 8, 2020
Virtual Meeting by way of Zoom
(Public Access on Website)

The REGULAR MEETING of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education began at 6:00 p.m., by way of virtual meeting platform Zoom, on Monday, June 8, 2020 due to mandatory state-wide school closures.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Thomas, K. McCluski, T. Aroesty, V. Baum, I. Narotsky, R. Sanchez-Kazacos, P. Sullivan
LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, D. Kenney, M. Leone, P. Vaughan-Brogan, M. Ward, N. Wayman, E. Woods
OTHERS PRESENT: M. Kwiatkowski, M. Woluchem, T. Thavakumar-Slavin

1. At 6:00 p.m., the Board immediately convened into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment of a particular person, where no official business was conducted.

2. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried **APPROVED:**
regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **ADJOURNMENT**
the adjournment of its Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.
Vote: Unanimously carried

3. Mrs. Thomas called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Mrs. Thomas asked everyone to join the Board in a moment of silence for the recent and horrific death of George Floyd and lives lost in the COVID-19 pandemic.

5. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. McCluski and carried **APPROVED:**
regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **AGENDA**
the agenda for this meeting.
Vote: Unanimously carried

6. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Narotsky and carried **APPROVED:**
regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **MINUTES**
the minutes of its May 26, 2020, meeting. **5/26/20**
Vote: Unanimously carried.

7. Public Comment: former student M. Woluchem spoke on a circulating petition and the importance of having conversations regarding racism. Resident T. Thavakumar-Slavin applauded the senior parade this past Saturday. She also commented on the PTSA Diversity and Inclusion meeting that took place last week, where it was brought up that neo-Nazi and white supremacy stickers had been seen on the canal.

8. Board Reports: Mrs. Thomas updated everyone on the MCSBA meeting dates as well as other dates to remember, noting that the Board president's meetings will continue through July. She also noted that she received a letter asking her to participate in a regional task force committee that will cover a wide variety of topics where they plan to address what reopening schools would look like; she will keep everyone updated after attending. Mrs. Thomas also noted that the budget vote/Board of Education election has been moved to June 16, 2020.

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9. Motion was made by Mrs. Narotsky, seconded by Mrs. Baum regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
ANNUAL VOTE
POLL WORKERS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves that the Annual Meeting of the Pittsford Central School District, Town of Pittsford, Monroe and Ontario Counties, New York, that the annual budget vote and election for the Pittsford Central School District will be held on June 9, 2020 and will be conducted solely by absentee ballot for the purpose of voting upon the budget resolution, capital reserve fund-purchase of buses proposition and two Board of Education seats as noted below. (the proposed budget and proposition have previously been approved by the Board) AND, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Chief Inspector of Election/Chairperson of Election, Inspectors of Election, Assistant Inspector of Elections and Volunteers as listed below.

I.

BUDGET RESOLUTION

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District be authorized to expend the amount of \$140,328,172 for the 2020-2021 school year, **AND FURTHER**, that said Board of Education be authorized and directed to levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said School District in an amount necessary therefore.

II.

Proposition No. 1

Capital Reserve Fund - Purchase of Buses

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District is hereby authorized to withdraw from the “Capital Reserve Fund – Purchase of Buses” a sum of money not to exceed One Million, Five Hundred Seventeen Thousand, Five Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$1,517,553), less trade-in allowance, to be used for the purchase of seven (7) replacement sixty-six passenger buses, three (3) thirty passenger buses without air services, two (2) thirty passenger buses with air services, (1) service truck with utility bed and communications equipment used in the operation of such buses. State Aid generated on these purchases will be returned to the Capital Reserve Fund – Purchase of Buses.

III.

**TWO (2) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS
TWO - THREE YEAR TERMS**

IV.

POLL WORKERS

Cynthia Coleman is hereby appointed as **Chief Inspector of Election/Chairperson of Election** for this annual district election.

The following are hereby appointed to act as **Inspectors of Election/Volunteer Election Clerks**

Monroe County Trained Inspectors of Election:

Dolores Hoffmann, Karen Dumont

Volunteer Election Clerks:

The following are hereby appointed as Volunteer Election Clerks:

Mike Biondi, Kristina Otto (Waldman), Julie Barker, Amy Farmer, Suzanne Graser, John Nally, Shana Cutaia, Elizabeth Carpenter, Barbara Lynch, Amy Pierce, Rich Albano, M. David Shemancik, Jessica Bonadio, Jody DeBell, Rhonda Matthews, Colleen Mehan, Letitia Romas, Madhu Rekhi, Karoline Trojian, Kelly Knight, Laura Penkitis, Stephanie Barg, Molly Kirby, Josh Dougherty, Nancy Reale, Lori Manzella, Mike Falzoi, Aaron Frohm, Rebecca Tan, Kelly Gangloff, Sandy Dyer-Wigg, Martha Pradhan, Anne, Holahan, Kathleen Schumacher, Amy Miller, Cynthia Merrifield, Scott Barker, Erin Molinich, Keith Molinich, Laura Hefner, Megan Labuda-Spring, Anne Rizk, Erin Ciccone, Chrissy Doggett, Julie Testani, Janet Wright, Joani Moffett, Sue Lipari, Kathleen Curtis, Janet Realbuto, Shauna James, Michele Seidel, Joyce Bernard, Sue Burdett, Marla Cain, Sheila Lang, Robin Beel, Jennifer Shelton, Jennifer McLean-Bove, Jessica LeVan, Paul LeVan, Becky Berardino, Daniel Hosey, Tinarose DiPaulo, Dan Judd, Genna Bell, Melinda Pizzo, Jason Bernas and any additional qualified voter(s) of the district that may be needed due to any last minute shortage of helpers. *Each Election Clerk appointed for said vote, as herein provided, having volunteered, shall be entitled to no compensation for the work performed. The Clerk of said school district is hereby authorized and directed to give a written notice of appointment to the persons herein appointed. For your information: The **Chief Inspector of Election/Chairperson of Election and Monroe County Trained Inspectors** are the only paid positions. All others are gracious volunteers.*

10. Motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. McCluski and carried regarding the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
SEI DESIGN GROUP
AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District (the District) has determined to proceed with pre-referendum work related to a potential capital project to address high priority Building Condition needs,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District at its regular meeting on June 8, 2020 does hereby accept appoint and approve SEI Design Group Architects in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to perform design and engineering services related to the project.

11. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the Superintendent's recommendation, approves the following Professional Staff Report:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
PROFESSIONAL
STAFF REPORT**

A. Change of Status – Probationary to Tenure

Name: Bari Krull
Position: PRE Speech Language Pathologist
Tenure Area: Speech and Hearing
Probationary Period: 09/01/2017 – 08/31/2020
Certification: Professional

B. Change of Status – Part time to Probationary

Name: Melinda Pizzo
Position: MCE Reading
Type of Position: Probationary

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Tenure Area: Reading
Probationary Period: 08/30/2020 – 08/29/2023
Certification: Professional
Effective Date: August 31, 2020

Name: Alexandria Ferington
Position: PRE Grade 2
Type of Position: Probationary
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 08/30/2020 – 08/29/2023
Certification: Initial
Effective Date: August 31, 2020

C. Appointment – Supervisory and Technical

Name: Jade Rood
Position: Information Specialist
Type of Position: Civil Service
Salary: \$43,000
Effective Date: June 1, 2020

D. Resignation for Retirement Teacher - see attached

First Name	Last Name	Location	Position	Yrs. In District	Retirement Date
Kerri	Claffey	JRE	Grade 4	16.0	6/30/2020

E. Resignation – Teacher – Katherine Lane

F. Termination – Position Ending – Regular Sub

Name: Stephanie Cicero
Position: CRMS School Counselor
Type of Position: Regular Sub
Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Murie Gillett
Position: SHS English
Type of Position: Regular Sub
Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Laura Griffone
Position: JRE Grade 2
Type of Position: Regular Sub
Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Andrea Kaminski
Position: CRMS Reading
Type of Position: Regular Sub
Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Karla Kushner
 Position: BRMS Foreign Language .6
 Type of Position: Regular Sub
 Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Stephen Marafino
 Position: CRMS Mathematics
 Type of Position: Regular Sub
 Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Jennifer Naramore
 Position: MCE ESOL
 Type of Position: Regular Sub
 Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Valerie Schubmehl
 Position: BRMS Special Education
 Type of Position: Regular Sub
 Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Katherine Scorsone
 Position: JRE Special Education
 Type of Position: Regular Sub
 Effective Date: June 30, 2020

Name: Lindsey Watters
 Position: CRMS Mathematics
 Type of Position: Regular Sub
 Effective Date: June 30, 2020

12. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mrs. Narotsky and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the Superintendent's recommendation, approves the following Support Staff Report:
 Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
 SUPPORT
 STAFF REPORT**

TRANSPORTATION			LENGTH	
<u>RETIREMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Charles Davis	Bus Driver	TMF	20 Years	06/26/2020

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE			LENGTH	
<u>RETIREMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Robert Parry	Courier	TMF	27.5	07/30/2020

13. Special Education Report: Mrs. Woods noted that all CSE and CPSE recommendations would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.

14. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Pero noted the second reading of the following policies that would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.

- a. #7221 - Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities
- b. #7222 - Diploma and Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
- c. #7610 - Special Education: District Plan

15. Mr. Pero noted the donation of \$23,221.00 from Pittsford Education Foundation (PEF) for two 65” Touch Displays for Mendon and Sutherland High Schools.

16. Mr. Pero thanked all the volunteers as well as those who helped to prepare for the amazing parade that celebrated seniors this past Saturday. He also said that he would like to see everyone gather together around the issue of race equality, saying that enough is enough. Mr. Pero said that this is a humanity issue, and that it’s time to do a lot less arguing, a lot less jockeying for position, a lot less manipulating and a lot less of being defensive. He said that it’s time to listen to the stories of those who have endured racism and oppression. He said there needs to be equality to all people regardless of color. He added that there is no room for racism or inequality, and that we need to keep each other accountable. Mr. Pero said that our commitment to equality has never been stronger. Mr. Pero also updated everyone on graduation, summer school and the vote/BOE election, noting the lack of guidance or direction associated with the governor’s Executive Orders that are being placed upon the district daily.

17. Motion was made by Mrs. McCluski, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried **APPROVED:**
 regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **CONSENT**
 the following items per the Consent Agenda: **AGENDA**
 Vote: Unanimously carried

Bid Awards:

20-21 Milk & Juice	Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc.	\$75,931.44 (estimated)
20-21 Ice Cream	Hershey’s Ice Cream	\$8,186.40 (estimated)
20-21 Fresh Produce	American Fruit & Vegetable Co. Inc.	\$30,013.00
20-21 Beverage	Kimmins Coffee	\$47,342.00 (estimated)
Athletic Supplies & Equipment	Various Vendors	\$24,872.84
Athletic Apparel	Various Vendors	\$48,849.43

Committee on Special Education: Amendment Agreement – No Meeting, Annual Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Requested Review.

Sub-Committee on Special Education: Annual Reviews, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews.

Committee on Preschool Special Education: Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Annual Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting.

- Policy Approval: #7221 - Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities
 #7222 - Diploma and Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
 #7610 - Special Education: District Plan

Gift to the District: A donation of \$23,221.00 from Pittsford Education Foundation (PEF) for two 65” Touch Displays for Mendon and Sutherland High Schools.

18. Old Business: On behalf of the Board, Mrs. Thomas noted that over the past few months the district has been heavily focused on keeping staff and students safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. She also thanked Miss Woluchem for calling in, stepping forward and providing feedback to the Board. Mrs. Thomas also noted that people need to shift their attention to the senseless death of George Floyd, noting the sadness and anger of the tragic reminder of racial inequity that exists in our society. Mrs. Thomas said that Pittsford Schools stand together in solidarity with members of the community who feel the weight of oppression, systemic racism, hate and a failing system of justice. She said the work will continue to make Pittsford schools an agent of change for all who call our district and community home. Mrs. Thomas also said they look forward to the ongoing commitment of building an equitable learning environment for all, which celebrates differences in all forms. The Board looks forward to reuniting as one Pittsford very soon.

19. New Business: Mr. Pero wanted the community to know that tonight is Mrs. McCluski's birthday. He added that she has been on the Board of Education for several decades doing amazing work for the community, for kids and so many people. He along with the rest of the Board wished her a very happy birthday.

20. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 7:54 p.m.
Vote: Unanimously carried

APPROVED:
ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter
School District Clerk