

PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
Monday, March 22, 2021
Barker Road Middle School
(Live Streaming – Link to Public Access on Website)

The REGULAR MEETING of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education began at 7:00 p.m. in the McCluski Room, Barker Road Middle School on Monday, March 22, 2021.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Thomas, T. Aroesty, V. Baum, I. Narotsky, R. Sanchez-Kazacos, R. Scott, P. Sullivan
LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, S. Clark, D. Kenney, P. Vaughan-Brogan, M. Ward, N. Wayman, E. Woods
OTHERS PRESENT: S. Cutaia, R. Vigdor, A. Jurus, J. Guarino, S. Coolidge, E. Smith, K. Gauvin, N. Sidhu, T. Thavakumar, D. McGeough, V. Vetere, C. Baker, A. Dougherty, J. Sperandio

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

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

3. Mrs. Thomas took a moment and reflected on this past years events and highlighted the stand against racism.

4. Principal's Report: Mrs. Shana Cutaia, principal, presented to the Board on the activities taking place at Barker Road Middle School.

5. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following changes to amend the agenda: move the Educational Equity and Excellence Policy from the Superintendent's discussion to the Students Services area. **APPROVED: AMMENDED AGENDA**
Vote: Unanimously carried

6. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of its March 9, 2021, meeting. **APPROVED: MINUTES 3/9/21**
Vote: Unanimously carried

7. Board Reports: Mrs. Thomas read the MCSBA meeting dates as well as other dates to remember.

8. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's Report for the period ending February 28, 2021. **ACCEPTED: TREASURER'S REPORT**
Vote: Unanimously carried

9. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mrs. Narotsky and carried regarding the following resolution to be approved by the voters: **APPROVED: RE-ESTABLISH CAPITAL RESERVE**
Vote: Unanimously carried

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Proposition – Authorization to Create and Fund New Capital Reserve and to Transfer 2007/2011 General Capital Reserve Fund Balance to Newly Created 2021 Capital Reserve

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District is hereby authorized and directed to establish a reserve fund pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 to be known as the “2021 Capital Project Reserve Fund” for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part, construction, reconstruction, additions, alterations, renovations or other improvements to said District’s buildings and facilities, including playgrounds, athletic fields, recreation areas, parking areas, roadways, and other site improvements, and the acquisition and installation of machinery, equipment, apparatus or furnishings, and costs incidental thereto; with the ultimate amount of such reserve fund not exceeding Forty-Two Million Dollars (\$42,000,000), 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 2007/2011 General Capital Reserve Fund; (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; 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 Pittsford Central School District is hereby authorized and directed to transfer all funds remaining in the “2007/2011 General Capital Reserve Fund,” as established by the District in May 2007 and as amended in May 2011, specifically Seventeen Million Forty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Eight dollars and Ninety-Three cents (\$17,044,448.93), to the “2021 Building Capital Reserve Fund;” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2007/2011 General Capital Reserve Fund is hereby depleted and dissolved as a result of this action.

10. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District at its March 22, 2021 Regular Board of Education meeting approves the proposal from the District’s Board appointed architect, SEI Design Group, in the amount of one hundred twenty-one thousand dollars (\$121,000) to perform the State required Building Condition Survey.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
BUILDING
CONDITION
SURVEY**

11. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Aroesty and carried regarding the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
SEQRA
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District is considering to undertake certain capital improvements (the “Project”), including:

- Emergency generators and related infrastructure at Pittsford Mendon High School, Thornell Road Elementary School and the Transportation Building;
- Replacement of outdated lighting in large common areas (gymnasiums, auditoriums, and cafeterias) at Pittsford Mendon High School, Pittsford Sutherland High School, Mendon Center Elementary School, Park Road Elementary School, and Thornell Road Elementary School;

- Minor HVAC repairs and replacement of air handling units and digital controls at Pittsford Mendon High School, and Pittsford Sutherland High School;
- Replacement of roof and emergency egress doors at Mendon Center Elementary School;
- Replacement of failed windows and heating system for the Lomb building on the Pittsford Sutherland High School campus, which replacement is necessary to preserve that building; and
- Plumbing renovation and improvements at Allen Creek Elementary School

WHEREAS, the proposed Project consists of routine activities of an educational institution for the purpose of replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility including upgrades to meet code or legal requirements, in kind; and/or maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility; and/or expansion of an accessory/appurtenant non-residential facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area; and/or expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area; and

WHEREAS, such actions are deemed, pursuant to the regulations adopted by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, to be "Type II" actions and are not subject to the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the proposed proposition is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c) and that further review pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act is not necessary.

12. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
MINI-CAPITAL
PROJECT PROPOSITION**

PROPOSITION – General Capital Reserve Fund of Capital Project
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 "General Capital Reserve Fund" a sum of money not to exceed Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) to perform renovation and repair projects to enhance health and safety, efficiency and preservation of facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District does hereby authorize these funds to be used for the installation of emergency generators and related infrastructure at Transportation Maintenance Building, Mendon High School, Thornell Road Elementary, the installation of LED lighting at Mendon and Sutherland High Schools, Mendon Center, Park Road and Thornell Road Elementary Schools, the replacement and remediation of windows and boiler at the Lomb Building, upgrade of heat, ventilation and related systems at Mendon and Sutherland High Schools, partial roof replacement and restoration at Mendon Center Elementary and Mendon High, plumbing improvements at Allen Creek Elementary, public address system upgrade at Sutherland High School and other incidental work associated with said projects. Work is to be performed summer 2021 through summer 2022.

13. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Baum and carried regarding the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
INTERFUND
TRANSFER**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District recognizes the operation of a school cafeteria (School Lunch Fund) an ordinary contingent expense, pursuant to section 2023(1) NYS Education Law and authorizes the Appropriation of up to \$800,000 of Undesignated General Fund Balance to the Pittsford Central School District School Lunch Fund.

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14. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, 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 Professional Staff Report:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
PROFESSIONAL
STAFF REPORT**

A. Resignation for Retirement – Correction of Retirement Date

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Yrs. In District</u>	<u>Retirement Date</u>
Geri	Drooz	BRMS	6 th Grade	22	7/01/2021

B. Resignation – School Related Professional

Kevin Brown
Soni Kumari

C. Fall II Coaching Staff Salaries Revised – see attached list

This report in its entirety is duly made a part of these minutes and is kept in a supplemental file for this meeting.

15. Motion was made by Mrs. Narotsky, 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 Support Staff Report:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
SUPPORT
STAFF REPORT**

TRANSPORTATION			LENGTH	
<u>RESIGNATIONS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Irene Francione	Bus Driver/School Aide	TMF	5 yrs.	03/13/2021

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE					
<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Michael Polvino	Painter	TMF	40/wk.	03/29/2021	\$33,317.00
Jeremy Militello	Bus Washer	TMF	40/wk.	03/22/2021	\$31,200.00

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE			LENGTH	
<u>RESIGNATIONS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Eric Benz	MHS	Cleaner	Resigned before	03/15/2021
			Start date	
Michael Murray	MHS	Cleaner	3.6 yrs.	03/16/2021

16. Student Services Report: Dr. Vaughan-Brogan along with Greta Johnston presented the results of the Well-Being Check-In Survey.

17. Dr. Vaughan-Brogan reviewed the Educational Equity and Excellence Policy.

18. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Settlement Agreement on the District's behalf resolving a special education due process hearing matter between the District and the parents of a student classified by the District's CSE, SED Case Numbers 516899 and 520393, and the resulting appeal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District hereby authorizes the District Treasurer to withdraw from the Liability Reserve as stipulated in the Settlement Agreement.

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

20. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Pero noted the second reading of policy #8320 – Selection of Library and Media Center Materials and policy #8330 – Objection to Instructional Materials that will be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda. Mr. Pero also noted the first reading of the Educational Equity and Excellence Policy.

21. Mr. Pero noted the value of instructional technology and asked Mrs. Ward to share how it has enhanced student learning.

22. Mrs. Ward, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, spoke on the value that technology has made for students in grades 6-8 during this past year.

23. Mr. Pero thanked the community for the level of responsiveness related to the recent surveys that went out regarding the return to school full time. He read samples of the wide range of feedback he received from emails that spurred from that survey. Mr. Pero continued by listing examples of things that are happening and steps that are currently being taken should schools get the okay to open fully. He highlighted that the district continues to advocate for metrics for a safe return as well as plan for all possible scenarios.

24. Mr. Pero spoke on the Scenario Committees involvement regarding the re-opening plan and herd immunity.

25. Motion was made by Mrs. Narotsky, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos 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:

BOCES II Magazine Subscriptions	Magazine Subscriptions PTP	\$4,929.60
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Committee on Special Education: Amendments – Agreements No Meetings, Annual Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Requested Review.

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

Committee on Preschool Special Education: Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Reevaluation Reviews.

Policy Approval: #8320 – Selection of Library and Media Center Materials
#8330 – Objection to Instructional Materials

26. Public Comment: Resident S. Coolidge spoke on timing of changing learning models, vaccinations and AP's. Student E. Smith spoke on the hybrid plan and changing learning models. Resident K. Gauvin commented on switching from hybrid to full time. Resident N. Sidhu spoke on in-person days students have had in school. Resident T. Thavakumar spoke on the survey results and transitions. Resident D. McGeough spoke on opening schools full time. Resident V. Vetere spoke on the survey results and re-opening schools. Resident C. Baker spoke on opening schools full time and in-person meetings. Resident A. Dougherty spoke on children with special needs and the current school model. Resident J. Sperandio spoke on the wellness check-in and returning to schools full time.

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27. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Narotsky and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 9:10 p.m.
Vote: Unanimously carried

APPROVED:
ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter
School District Clerk