

**PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Board of Education Meeting  
Tuesday, March 9, 2021  
Barker Road Middle School  
(Live Streaming – Link to Public Access on Website)

A BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education was held at 6:00 p.m. in the McCluski Room, Barker Road Middle School on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. Mrs. Ward reviewed the School Based budget. Mr. Pero reviewed the Central Administration budget. Mr. Kenney reviewed the Support Services and Undistributed (Unallocated) budgets.

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 Tuesday, March 9, 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: L. Reister, A. Jurus, J. Guarino, J. Smith, V. Vetere

1. Mrs. Thomas called the meeting to order at approximately 7:03 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. 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 agenda for this meeting.

**APPROVED:  
AGENDA**

Vote: Unanimously carried

3. 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 minutes of its February 23, 2021, meeting.

**APPROVED:  
MINUTES  
2/23/21**

Vote: Unanimously carried

4. Board Reports: Mrs. Thomas read the MCSBA meeting dates as well as other dates to remember. Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, Mrs. Baum and Mrs. Scott all reported out on the Town Hall meeting with Samra Brouk on mental health. Mrs. Baum reported out on her meetings with Assembly members H. Bronson, S. Clark, M. Byrnes and Senator P. Helming. Mrs. Thomas noted how educated the legislators are regarding education.

5. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, 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:

**APPROVED:  
PROFESSIONAL  
STAFF REPORT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

A. Termination of Position – Teacher Fellows

Stefanie	Bunnell	District	Teacher Fellow	12/31/2020
Taylor	Bellis-Escudero	District	Teacher Fellow	12/31/2020
Sydney	Carollo	District	Teacher Fellow	12/31/2020
Kevin	Dedes	District	Teacher Fellow	12/31/2020
Isabelle	Cirulli	District	Teacher Fellow	12/31/2021
Cameron	Pettrone	District	Teacher Fellow	12/31/2021

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B. Fall Coaching Appointments – 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.*

6. Motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Aroesty 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**

### CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Eric Benz	Cleaner	MHS	40/wk.	03/15/2021	\$30,581.00

7. Curriculum Report: Mrs. Ward noted the second reading of a textbook adoption that would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.

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

9. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the 2021/2022 Budget Guidelines as presented.  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:  
BUDGET  
GUIDELINES**

10. 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 approves the 2021/2022 school calendar as presented.  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:  
2021/2022  
CALENDAR**

11. Mr. Pero noted the donation of \$1,500.00 from the Pittsford Education Foundation (PEF) to the Pittsford Central School District's Student Opportunity Fund that will be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.

12. Mr. Pero noted that this Friday (3/12/21) marks the 1-year anniversary of schools closing due to the pandemic. He also expressed his thoughts and prayers for those who have experienced any kind of loss over this past year. Mr. Pero continued by saying that although this past year has been very fatiguing for everyone, he's very proud of the accomplishments that have been made. He closed by saying that he is filled with gratitude from staff and community for consistently going beyond the call of duty and thanked everyone for helping to keep schools open.

13. Mr. Pero talked about the metrics that might open schools fully in the near future.

14. Mr. Pero noted that planning for senior events (ball, parade, awards night and graduation) is still ongoing.

15. The following policy recommendations went for a first reading:

- a. #8320 – Selection of Library and Media Center Materials
- b. #8330 – Objection to Instructional Materials

16. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following items per the Consent Agenda:  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

Textbook Adoption: By the People

Committee on Special Education: Amendments, Amendments – Agreements No Meetings, Annual Reviews, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Reevaluation Reviews, Requested Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings.

Sub-Committee on Special Education: Amendment, Amendments – Agreements No Meetings, Annual Reviews, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Reevaluation Reviews, Requested Reviews.

Committee on Preschool Special Education: Amendments – Agreements No Meetings, Annual Review, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Reevaluation Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings.

Gift to the District: Donation of \$1,500.00 from the Pittsford Education Foundation (PEF) to the Pittsford Central School District's Student Opportunity Fund.

17. New Business: Mrs. Thomas made a statement regarding the impact of COVID, noting that students, staff, the administration and families have made monumental concessions during this past year. She highlighted the advocacy efforts made by the Board and Superintendent and said that the district has remained steadfast while keeping up with the ever-changing demands of the governors executive orders, all of which took place without any temporary shut downs due to COVID transmissions. Mrs. Thomas said all advocating efforts would continue to support a safe reopening of the schools. She also noted receiving personal attacks via email that requested her resignation that were based on misinformation. Mrs. Thomas proceeded to dispel the circulating rumors and provided full transparency to address the false claims. After sharing the truth, she continued by asking the interest groups who are circulating the misinformation, to please stop. She spoke of Mr. Pero's past messages of civility and re-emphasized the importance of those messages, saying that she along with the entire Board will continue to serve with the highest integrity, grace and commitment to advocate for what is best for students.

18. Public Comment: Resident J. Smith commended and thanked Superintendent Pero and the Board for all of their efforts especially this past year. Resident V. Vetere acknowledged sending Mrs. Thomas the email referenced under New Business. Ms. Vetere also spoke on the budget.

19. Motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 7:51 p.m.  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:  
ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter  
School District Clerk