

**PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

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 Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Thomas, T. Aroesty, V. Baum, I. Narotsky, R. Sanchez-Kazacos (video), R. Scott, P. Sullivan

LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, D. Kenney, P. Vaughan-Brogan, M. Ward, E. Woods

OTHERS PRESENT: S. Clark, S. Pelusio, A. Jurus, J. Balthaser

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. Mrs. Thomas on behalf of the Board of Education and Central Office Team took a moment to offer heartfelt prayers to Paris Beckford and the Beckford family. She further noted that the district TIG (Trauma, Illness & Grief) Team has trained mental health staff who will assist anyone who may need it. Mrs. Thomas also noted the tip line number for anyone who could assist in bringing Paris home safely.

3. Motion was made by Mrs. Narotsky, 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

4. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mr. Aroesty and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of its September 30, 2020, Regular meeting.

**APPROVED:  
MINUTES  
9/30/20**

Vote: Unanimously carried

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

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, upon the Superintendent's recommendation, approves the following Professional Staff Report:

**APPROVED:  
PROFESSIONAL  
STAFF REPORT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

#### A. Appointment – Certificated Staff

Name: Kerri Claffey  
 Position: Remote Elementary – Master Teacher Support  
 Type of Position: Per Diem Substitute  
 Tenure Area: N/A  
 Probationary Period: N/A  
 Certification: Permanent  
 Salary: \$325.00 Daily - 3 days per wk.  
 Effective Date: 09/28/2020

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Name: Elizabeth Coonan  
Position: Remote Elementary – Master Teacher Support  
Type of Position: Per Diem Substitute  
Tenure Area: N/A  
Probationary Period: N/A  
Certification: Permanent  
Salary: \$325.00 Daily - 3 days per wk.  
Effective Date: 10/05/2020

#### B. Change of Status – Part-Time to Full-Time

Name: Mary Bauer  
Position: TRE .5 Student Services Teacher/.5 Regular Sub  
Type of Position: Full-Time  
Tenure Area: Special Education  
Certification: Initial  
Salary: \$53,929.00  
Effective Date: 09/30/2020

#### C. Appointment – School Related Professional

Name: Maura Kirby  
Position: PRE Paraprofessional  
Type of Position: Part-Time  
Salary: \$15.33/HR.  
Effective Date: 09/09/2020

#### D. Appointment – Supervisory and Technical

Name: Layton Randall  
Position: Network Technician  
Type of Position: Full -Time  
Probationary Period: 1 Year  
Salary: \$50,000.00  
Effective Date: 10/13/2020

#### E. Resignation – School Related Professional – see attached Cathleen Anstrom

7. Motion was made by Mrs. Narotsky, seconded by Mr. Sullivan 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>
Hamza Amin	Cleaner	CRMS	40/WK.	10/05/2020	\$30,142.00

#### CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

<u>RESIGNATIONS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>LENGTH OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Jeffrey Sacchitella	Cleaner	MHS	2.5 yrs.	09/28/2020

8. Student Services Report: Dr. Vaughan-Brogan discussed and provided an overview of Title I Services.
9. Dr. Vaughan-Brogan noted the first reading of policy #8260 – Title I Parent and Family Engagement
10. Special Education Report: Mrs. Woods noted that all CSE and CPSE recommendations would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.
11. Superintendent’s Report: Mr. Pero noted the second reading of policy #7131 – Identification and Education of Students in Temporary Housing that would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda. He also noted the first reading of policy #7611 – Children with Disabilities.
12. Mr. Pero described the steps that are taken when a student tests positive for COVID-19. He also expressed his concern over traveling to areas on the NYS Travel Advisory List or internationally to a CDC level 2 or 3 Travel Health Notice Country and the upcoming breaks, noting that doing so could put everyone at risk. He continued by asking those who do travel to those areas, to notify your building administrator and begin the 14 days of quarantine as required when they return.
13. Mr. Pero talked about the upcoming series of ACT for Education webcasts. This Thursday, he along with Dr. Mendoza and Superintendents Kosiorek (Hilton) and Antonacci (BOCES 2) will deliver accurate and up-to-date information about local schools during the pandemic. All webcasts will be pre-recorded, but when they are broadcast, each will have a live chat feature for participation. Links can be found on the [ACTforeducation.org](http://ACTforeducation.org) webpage or the home page of [PittsfordSchools.org](http://PittsfordSchools.org) under Partners, then select ACT for Education.
14. Mr. Pero shared as of now, if Pittsford closes for a snow day, school will actually be closed where students can enjoy the tradition of a snow day. The only thing that could change this is if we had any type of intermittent shut-down.
15. Mr. Pero noted that tomorrow night the Board of Education along with the Central Office Team would be meeting with national equity consultant, Natalie McGee to discuss best practices as it relates to communication with our students and families around topics specific to equity and inclusion. Ms. McGee will provide feedback on an equity policy, code of conduct work and the best way to formulate a strong district wide equity and inclusion plan.
16. This evening our Board members were recognized as part of School Board Recognition week. Mr. Pero noted that both Pittsford Educational Office Professionals (PEOP) and Pittsford District Teachers’ Association (PDTA) created a video of gratitude for everything that our Board of Education does. Mr. Pero expressed his sincerest thanks to the Board for being exemplary in many different ways. He continued by thanking the Board members for taking the time to tour all 10 of our buildings in all kinds of weather, participating in and often times leading regularly held county meetings, their commitment to professional development, hours of preparedness for Board meetings, attendance at so many different events, attending meetings with multiple community members, holding themselves accountable during annual Board evaluations, for goal setting, attending Opening Day and for leading with their hearts and volunteering. Mr. Pero thanked the Board for never having a singular focus and for always looking at what is best for students, staff and the community. He closed by saying that our community is lucky to have 7 highly dedicated, smart, caring and compassionate leaders. Mr. Pero presented the Board members with their gifts and then read a card on behalf of PEOP. The PEOP card along with Mr. Shawn Clark, on behalf of the Pittsford District Administrators’ Association (PDAA) and Mrs. Sarah Pelusio, on behalf of the Pittsford Parent, Teacher, Student Association (PTSA), extended sincere appreciation and gratitude to the Board of Education for their numerous hours of service, support, leadership and uncompromised commitment to maintaining excellence in Pittsford schools. As a gesture of gratitude, all three groups donated funds to the Pittsford Education Foundation (PEF).

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17. Mr. Pero asked everyone to keep Paris Beckford and her family in their thoughts and prayers and hoped for her safe return home.

18. Mrs. Thomas on behalf of the Board of Education, thanked everyone for this evening's acknowledgements. She continued by saying that each Board member is truly proud to be a part of a team that is dedicated to the mission and vision of the Pittsford Central School District. She noted that unique times require the Board to be unified, have civility as well as perseverance and they are present to serve in the best and worst of times.

19. Motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Aroesty 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

Committee on Special Education: Amendments – Agreement No Meetings, Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting, Reevaluation Reviews, Requested Reviews, Requested Review Transfer Student, Transfer Students – Agreement No Meetings.

Sub-Committee on Special Education: Amendment – Agreement No Meeting, Annual Reviews, Reevaluation Reviews, Transfer Students – Agreement No Meetings.

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

Policy Approval: #7131 – Identification and Education of Students in Temporary Housing

20. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Baum and carried **APPROVED:**  
regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **ADJOURNMENT**  
the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 7:35 p.m.  
Vote: Unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter  
School District Clerk