

PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Barker Road Middle School

(Link to Public Viewing/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, February 8, 2022. Mr. Kenney highlighted information on the following: property tax cap, state aid detail, the Governor's executive budget proposal implications and budget challenges. Mr. Pero repeated for those who arrived late, tonight's order of events as well as the requirement for everyone to wear masks. He explained that if the audience did not comply, the Board would recess until everyone was wearing their masks and/or continue the meeting remotely if people continued to not be in accordance. Mr. Clark began providing a detailed look and impact of District staffing, when Mr. Pero requested a recess at 6:33 pm due to the blatant disrespect of some audience members for non-compliance of the legal mandate and said meeting, for refusing to wear their mask coverings. The Board returned at 6:39 pm and Mr. Clark continued with his presentation.

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, February 8, 2022.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Thomas, T. Aroesty, J. Casey, S. Pelusio, R. Sanchez-Kazacos, R. Scott, P. Sullivan

LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, S. Clark, S. Cutaia, D. Kenney, M. Ward, N. Wayman, E. Woods.

OTHERS PRESENT: *The sign-in sheets in their entirety are duly made a part of these minutes and are kept in a supplemental file for this meeting*

Short break at 6:51 pm to allow Pittsford Pride guests to transition into the McCluski Board room.

1. Mrs. Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Aroesty 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

3. Mr. Pero opened up the Pittsford Pride program. Mr. Pero explained how the selection process begins in each building in order to bring us to this celebration. Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Aroesty and Mr. Pero read the nomination write-ups that explained the reason why each of the students were selected for this honor. Mr. Pero stepped away at 7:20 pm and returned at 7:23 pm. The following students are our Pittsford Pride recipients being recognized this evening:

| Name | Grade Level | School |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Mia Adler | 12 | Sutherland H.S. |
| Omer Ahmed | 6 | Barker Road M.S. |
| John Dean | 8 | Calkins Road M.S. |
| Will Fickling | 3 | Mendon Center |
| Roman Irizarry | 3 | Jefferson Road |
| Vinay Pendri | 11 | Mendon H.S. |
| James Pritchard | 5 | Thornell Road |
| Piper Rae Webb | 5 | Allen Creek |
| Alborz Yousefi Nooraie | 5 | Park Road |

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4. Principal's Report: Principal, Mrs. Sarah Jacob, presented to the Board on the activities taking place at Barker Road Middle School. 8th grade student Sofia Leite also spoke on her experiences at Barker Rd. Middle School.

5. Public Hearing: Mrs. Shana Cutaia presented the Code of Conduct and Restorative Supports "living" document.

6. Motion was made by Mrs. Pelusio, seconded by Mr. Casey and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of its January 25, 2022, Regular meeting.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
MINUTES
1/25/22**

7. Board Reports: Mrs. Thomas read the MCSBA meeting dates as well as other dates to remember. Mrs. Pelusio, Mrs. Scott, Mr. Casey and Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos reported out on the recent Legislative breakfast.

8. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 31, 2021.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**ACCEPTED:
TREASURER'S
REPORT**

9. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Pelusio and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the 2nd Quarter Extraclassroom Activities Report as presented.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
2ND QUARTER
EXTRACLASSROOM
ACTIVITIES REPORT**

10. 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 of the Pittsford Central School District does hereby declare the above equipment scrap, and does hereby authorize the sale and receipt of proceeds from such.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
SCRAP
EQUIPMENT**

11. Motion was made by Mrs. Pelusio, 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: Elizabeth Carpenter
Position: Human Resource Coordinator
Tenure Area: Human Resource Coordinator
Probationary Period: July 12, 2018 - July 11, 2022
Certification: School District Leader - Professional

Name: Melissa Julian
Position: MHS Principal
Tenure Area: MHS Principal
Probationary Period: July 2, 2018 - July 1, 2022
Certification: School Building Leader - Professional

Name: Matthew Kwiatkowski
Position: District Office Coordinator of Technology
Tenure Area: District Office Coordinator of Technology
Probationary Period: September 3, 2018 - September 2, 2022
Certification: School District Leader - Professional

B. Appointment – Certificated Staff

Name: Stephanie Totin
 Position: SHS Special Education
 Type of Position: Regular Substitute
 Tenure Area: Special Education
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Permanent
 Salary: \$28,626.00
 Effective Date: 01/31/2022

Name: Jared Ziegler
 Position: JRE Physical Education
 Type of Position: Regular Substitute
 Tenure Area: Physical Education
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Emergency COVID -19
 Salary: \$46,243.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2021

C. Part Time to Probationary

Name: Margaret Craig
 Position: CRMS Behavioral/Health Specialist
 Type of Position: Probationary
 Tenure Area: School Counselor
 Probationary Period: 01/31/2022 – 01/30/2026
 Certification: Provisional
 Salary: \$55,151.00 Federal Funds
 Effective Date: 01/31/2022

D. Appointment – School Related Professional

Name: Samuel Luddy
 Position: CRMS Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full Time
 Salary: \$20,849.00
 Effective Date: 02/07/2022

Name: Sarah Wetherbee
 Position: MHS Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full Time
 Salary: \$22,453.00
 Effective Date: 01/31/2022

E. Appointment – Teacher Fellows

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|---------|-----------|-----|----------------|-------------------------|
| Diana | Morley | JRE | Teacher Fellow | 01/24/2022 – 05/06/2022 |
| Marissa | Towers | TRE | Teacher Fellow | 01/24/2022 – 05/06/2022 |
| Julia | Pritchard | PRE | Teacher Fellow | 01/24/2022 – 05/06/2022 |
| Emma | Baldwin | MHS | Teacher Fellow | 01/24/2022 – 05/06/2022 |
| Kendra | Jeffers | ACE | Teacher Fellow | 01/24/2022 – 05/06/2022 |

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F. Resignations – Teacher – see attached
Morgan Bates

G. Resignations – School Related Professional – see attached
Madison Bulling
Dennis Paone
Marla Cain

12. Motion was made by Mr. Casey, 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**

CLERICAL

| <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>HOURS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Marie Kutny | Office Clerk II | BRMSE | 37.5 wk. | 02/17/2022 | \$32,623.00 |
| Heather Frank | Office Clerk III | JRE | 19.75 wk. | 02/08/2022 | \$15.60/hr. |

CLERICAL

| <u>RESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Andra Zamurs Nelkin | Office Clerk III | MHS | 4.6 yrs. | 02/04/2022 |

TRANSPORTATION

| <u>RESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| John Santay | Bus Driver | TMF | 4 mos. | 02/04/2022 |

TRANSPORTATION

| <u>RETIREMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Gerald VerSchneider | Maintenance Mechanic | TMF | 18.1 yrs. | 07/22/2022 |

TRANSPORTATION

| <u>TERMINATION</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Richard Haggerty | Bus Driver | TMF | 3.4 yrs. | 01/21/2022 |

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

| <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>HOURS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Kayla Abril | Cleaner | SHS | 40 wk. | 02/14/2022 | \$30,386.00 |

FOOD SERVICE

| <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>HOURS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Andrea Vitello | Food Service Worker | TMF | 20 wk. | 02/14/2022 | \$13.20/hr. |

FOOD SERVICE

| <u>RESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Jennifer Connor | Food Service Worker | MHS | 1 month | 01/24/2022 |

13. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Pelusio and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the Superintendent’s recommendation, approves the following Per Diem Substitutes and Specialists Salaries as follows:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
PER DIEM
SUBSTITUTES/
SPECIALISTS
SALARIES**

| | <u>2020 - 2021</u> | <u>2021 - 2022</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| Tutors – | | |
| In-hospital students | 23.00/hr.* | 23.00/hr.* |
| Life Guards (school year) | 12.50/hr. | 13.20/hr. |
| Accompanist | 17.50/hr. | 17.50/hr. |
| Substitute Teachers—Minimum 2 yrs. of college | N/A | 110.00/day |
| Substitute Teachers—Four yrs. of college/certified tchr. | 103.00/day | 130.00/day |
| Substitute Teachers—Four yrs. of college/certified tchr. after 15 days consecutive for same teacher | 128.00/day | 140.00/day |
| Substitute Teachers- Retired PCSD | N/A | 145.00 |
| Substitute Paraprofessionals | 13.20/hr. | 14.00/hr. |
| Kindergarten Screeners (district and non-district) | 27.00/hr. | 27.00/hr. |
| Administrative Substitute | 200.00/day | 250.00/day |
| Single Presenter | 60.00/hr. | 60.00/hr. |
| Co-Presenter | 40.00/hr. | 40.00/hr. |
| Collegial Circle Facilitator (Professional Staff)+ | 10.00/hr. | 10.00/hr. |
| H.S. Concert Coverage (Lights/Sound) | 31.09/hr. | 31.09/hr. |
| Administrator Mentor | 3,800/yr. | 3,800/yr. |
| Bus Driver Trainees | 12.50/hr. | 13.20/hr. ** |

*Mileage and parking to be paid for those experiencing these costs as a result of their assignment.

+As professional staff already are paid a salary this is an additional stipend amount for purposes of minimum wage.

**Increase as of January 1st due to minimum wage.

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

15. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following resolution as presented:

Vote: Unanimously carried by all except Mr. Aroesty and Mrs. Thomas, who recused themselves due to conflicts of interest, but both stated they were in full support.

**APPROVED:
PARTIAL TAX
EXEMPTION – VOL.
FIRE & AMBULANCE
WORKERS**

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law Section 466-k provides that the primary residence of an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service or such enrolled member and spouse, shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of ten percent of the assessed value of such property for the school district, upon the adoption by the Board of Education of such district of a resolution providing therefore; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Education, following a public hearing considering the adoption of such a resolution, having determined that such adoption would be appropriate and beneficial to the residents of this district being served by such members;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Education does hereby adopt the provisions of Real Property Tax Law Section 466-k to the effect that the primary residence of an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who accrues more than twenty years of active service and is so certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of ten percent of the assessed value of such property for the school district for the remainder of his or her life as long as the subject property is his or her primary residence; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that each incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department within the District shall file a notice annually with the Assessor of each Town in Monroe County where the District is located, certifying its enrolled members with two (2) or more years of service, and listing the number of years of service served by each such enrolled member together with the enrolled member's residence address. The certification shall provide the required information as of the taxable status date for each year (*i.e.*, March 1)

RESOLVED, that the respective assessors of the Towns of Pittsford, Brighton, Mendon, Perinton and Penfield, are hereby designated to receive the applications filed for such exemption; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it shall be the responsibility of the applicant for exemption to annex the certification required pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-k, Subdivision 2(d) to the application for exemption to be filed with the assessor unless such applicant is included on a current certified roll of qualified applicants filed with the assessor by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service; and be it further

RESOLVED. That this resolution shall remain in effect until revoked or otherwise acted upon by this Board of Education.

16. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Pero and Dr. Cimmerer shared the recent optional masking survey results.

17. Mrs. Thomas explained that public comment is a privilege of the floor and that it is not a requirement, but rather an offering extended to allow residents an additional option to voice things that are important to them. She asked for respectful and civil discourse when addressing the Board.

18. 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 **CONSENT**
the following items per the Consent Agenda: **AGENDA**
Vote: Unanimously carried

Committee on Special Education: Amendments - Agreement No Meetings, Annual Review, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Reevaluation Reviews, Requested Reviews.

Sub-Committee on Special Education: Amendments - Agreement No Meetings, Annual Reviews, Reevaluation/Annual Review, Reevaluation Reviews, Requested Review.

Committee on Preschool Special Education: Amendments - Agreement No Meetings, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings.

19. Public Comment: Ten people addressed the Board. Due to the repetitive content and large number of in-person and write-in comments, it was noted that all write-in comments would be posted online until Friday.

20. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Pelusio and carried **APPROVED:**
regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **ADJOURNMENT**
the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 9:54 p.m.
Vote: Unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter
School District Clerk