

PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Barker Road Middle School

(Link to Public Viewing on Website)

A RECEPTION for tenure recipients was held at 6:15 p.m. where friends and family members gathered to celebrate this exciting night. Mr. Pero welcomed and thanked everyone for sharing in this joyous occasion. Mr. Pero thanked the recipients for their impact, influence and modeling that they've had on students. He noted that tenure is not a rite of passage but rather a milestone in a career to which a professional aspires and it is only granted after consistently producing at a very high level over time. He noted that each of tonight's recipients have demonstrated PCSD's expectation of excellence. Mr. Cerbone, president of PDTA, acknowledged Mr. Scott Barker, president of PDAA and honored the tenure class of 2023. He gave a warm welcome and congratulated the honorees, noting their personal investment and dedication to our students. Pins and certificates were awarded.

The REGULAR MEETING of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education began at 6:58 p.m. in the McCluski Room, Barker Road Middle School on Tuesday, May 9, 2023.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: T. Aroesty, R. Scott, D. Berk, J. Casey, E. Kay, S. Pelusio, R. Sanchez-Kazacos
LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, S. Clark, S. Cutaia, M. Vespi, 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.*

1. After a short break, Mr. Aroesty called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mr. Berk 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. Aroesty congratulated our tenure recipients on behalf of the entire Board.

4. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Pelusio and carried **APPROVED:**
regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the **PROFESSIONAL**
Superintendent's recommendation, approves the following Professional Staff Report: **STAFF REPORT**
Vote: Unanimously carried

A. Change of Status - Probationary to Tenure

Name: Lori Ianniello
Position: ACE Music
Tenure Area: Music
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 - 08/30/2023
Certification: Permanent

Name: Mary Cantwell
Position: ACE Grade 4
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 - 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

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Name: La Toya Grady
Position: ACE Special Education
Tenure Area: Special Education
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Permanent

Name: Kelly Green
Position: JRE Grade 3
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Catherine Phillips
Position: JRE Grade 4
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Mary Cochran
Position: JRE Special Education
Tenure Area: Special Education
Probationary Period: 09/01/2019 – 08/31/2023
Certification: Permanent

Name: Elizabeth Candeias
Position: JRE School Counselor
Tenure Area: Counseling & Guidance
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Permanent

Name: Jeannine Galusha
Position: JRE Grade 2
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Laura Griffone
Position: JRE Grade 5
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Taylor Harris
Position: JRE Grade 1
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Carolyn Kane
Position: JRE Grade 4
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Colleen Pichette
 Position: JRE Nurse Teacher
 Tenure Area: Nurse Teacher
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
 Certification: Permanent

Name: Melinda Pizzo
 Position: MCE Reading
 Tenure Area: Reading
 Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
 Certification: Professional

Name: Alexis Aponte
 Position: MCE Kindergarten
 Tenure Area: Elementary
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
 Certification: Professional

Name: Stephanie Calvaruso
 Position: MCE Reading
 Tenure Area: Reading
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
 Certification: Professional

Name: Mallory Gregor
 Position: MCE Art
 Tenure Area: Art
 Probationary Period: 10/15/2018 – 10/14/2023
 Certification: Professional

Name: Robyn Paino
 Position: PRE School Counselor
 Tenure Area: Counseling & Guidance
 Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
 Certification: Permanent

Name: Jacquelyn Bowser
 Position: PRE Grade 5
 Tenure Area: Elementary
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
 Certification: Initial

Name: Allison Luta
 Position: PRE Grade 1
 Tenure Area: Elementary
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
 Certification: Professional

Name: Breaca Nellis
 Position: PRE Psychologist
 Tenure Area: Psychologist
 Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
 Certification: Permanent

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Name: Marchelle Ransom
Position: PRE Kindergarten
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Laurie Cleveland-Lancto
Position: TRE Kindergarten
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Permanent

Name: Michael Madden
Position: MHS Science
Tenure Area: Science
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Jennifer Singer
Position: MHS Special Education
Tenure Area: Special Education
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Permanent

Name: Whitney Sienkiewicz
Position: MHS Speech
Tenure Area: Speech & Hearing Handicapped
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Katherine McGowen
Position: MHS Special Education
Tenure Area: Special Education
Probationary Period: 10/21/2019 – 10/20/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Ashley Madden
Position: SHS Speech
Tenure Area: Speech & Hearing Handicapped
Probationary Period: 08/31/2020 – 08/30/2023
Certification: Professional

Name: Daniel Roberti
Position: SHS Science
Tenure Area: Science
Probationary Period: 09/03/2019 – 09/02/2023
Certification: Professional

B. Appointment – Administrator

Name: Stephanie Barg
Position: JRE Principal

Type of Position: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Principal
 Probationary Period: 07/01/2023 – 06/30/2027
 Certification: Initial
 Salary: \$108,000.00
 Effective Date: 07/01/2023

Name: Lindsay Ali
 Position: PRE Principal
 Type of Position: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Principal
 Probationary Period: 07/01/2023 – 06/30/2027
 Certification: Initial
 Salary: \$125,000.00
 Effective Date: 07/01/2023

Name: Tyler Manchester
 Position: SHS Assistant Principal
 Type of Position: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Assistant Principal
 Probationary Period: 07/01/2023 – 06/30/2027
 Certification: Initial
 Salary: \$95,000.00
 Effective Date: 07/01/2023

C. Appointment – Director of Food Services

Name: Elena Montgomery
 Position: Director of Food Services
 Type of Position: Full Time
 Probationary Period: Provisional per Civil Service
 Salary: \$80,000.00
 Effective Date: 06/01/2023

D. Appointment – School Related Professional

Name: Karen Horey
 Position: JRE Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full Time
 Salary: \$18,948.60
 Effective Date: 05/01/2023

E. Appointment - Supervisory & Technical

Name: Rachel Smith
 Position: Assistant Director of Finance
 Type of Position: Full Time
 Salary: \$80,000.00
 Effective Date: 05/16/2023

F. Resignation – School Related Professional – letters attached

James Thomas
 Sharon Neveu
 Karina Anderson

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G. Resignation – School Nurse – letter attached
Andrea Longchamps

H. Resignation – Administrator – letter attached
Vincent French

5. 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, 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>
Lynette Norten	School Aide	PRE	11.25 wk.	04/18/2023	\$15.00 hr.
Carissa Winters	School Aide	TRE	15 wk.	04/20/2023	\$15.00 hr.

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

<u>RESIGNATIONS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>LENGTH OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Thomas Faticone	Maintenance Grounds	TMF	7 months	05/16/2023

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

<u>TERMINATIONS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Sergio Alexander	Cleaner	BRMS	04/18/2023

FOOD SERVICE

<u>RESIGNATIONS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>LENGTH OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Robin Sardone	FSW	MCE	7 yrs.	04/13/2023

6. Motion was made by Mr. Berk, seconded by Mrs. Kay and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Pittsford Educational Office Professionals and School Aides contract as presented.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
CONTRACTUAL
AGREEMENT**

7. 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 approves the Pittsford District Teachers’ Association contract as presented.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
CONTRACTUAL
AGREEMENT**

8. Mr. Pero opened the Pittsford Pride program and explained how the selection process begins in each building in order to bring us to this celebration. Mr. Aroesty, Mrs. Scott and Mr. Pero read the nomination write-ups that explained the reason why each of the students were selected for this honor. The following students are our Pittsford Pride recipients being recognized this evening:

Name	Grade Level	School
Cain Cook	5	Park Road
Teagan Green	7	Calkins Road M.S.
Ava McFall	4	Allen Creek
Luis Medina	4	Thornell Road
Brendan Rook	8	Barker Road M.S.
Rory Selinger	12	Sutherland H.S.
Erin Uzun	5	Mendon Center
George Valasek	5	Jefferson Road
Brianna Walker	12	Mendon H.S.

Short break 7:40 pm

9. A required Public Budget Hearing was conducted by Mr. Pero and Mr. Vespi. Listed below are the Fast Facts shared regarding the 2023-2024 proposed budget:

- Preserves all programs and services for students
- Is balanced and remains within the Property Tax Cap
- Has subsequent tax levy increase of 0.08% - the smallest tax levy increase since the inception of the tax cap
- Takes advantage of the final installment of foundation aid after ten years of promises
- Has a budget-to-budget proposed spending increase of 3.95%
- Represents one of the lowest budget and tax levy increases in the County despite having the least amount of State aid support

10. Principal's Report: Principal Mr. Mark Puma, presented to the Board on the activities taking place at Sutherland High School.

11. Motion was made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mrs. Kay and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of its April 18, 2023, Regular meeting.

APPROVED:
MINUTES
4/18/23

Vote: Unanimously carried

12. Board Reports: Mr. Aroesty noted the MCSBA meeting dates and other dates to remember. Mrs. Pelusio noted the MCSBA annual meeting start time of 5:30 pm.

13. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Berk regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

APPROVED:
ANNUAL VOTE &
POLL WORKERS

Vote: Unanimously carried

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, shall be held in the Barker Road Middle School, 75 Barker Road, Pittsford, New York, in said District, on the 16th day of May, 2023, with the polls to be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting upon the budget resolution, proposition #1 - capital reserve fund - purchase of buses, proposition #2 - capital reserve fund - transportation vehicles, proposition #3 - capital reserve fund - swimming facilities and two Board of Education seats as noted below. (*The proposed budget and propositions have previously been approved by the Board*); and **FURTHER**, that said Board of Education approves the Chief Inspector of Election/Chairperson of Election, Inspectors of Election, Volunteer Election Clerks and/or Substitutes as listed below.

I.

BUDGET RESOLUTION

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District be authorized to expend the amount of \$155,512,452 for the 2023-2024 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:

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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, Seven Hundred Ninety Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Six Dollars (\$1,794,696) to be used for the purchase of five (5) replacement sixty-six passenger buses, five (5) replacement twenty-nine passenger buses, two (2) replacement thirty-six passenger buses, (1) replacement service truck and (1) replacement seven passenger sport utility vehicle 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.

Proposition No. 2

Capital Reserve Fund – Transportation Vehicles

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District, Monroe and Ontario Counties, New York (the “District”) is hereby authorized and directed to

- (a) establish a reserve fund pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 to be known as the “Transportation Vehicles Reserve Fund-2023” for the purpose financing, in whole or in part, the purchase of school buses and vehicles by the District, with the ultimate amount of such reserve fund not exceeding fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000), plus any accrued earnings on amounts deposited in such reserve fund, the probable existence of said reserve fund being ten (10) years, but said reserve fund to continue in existence for its stated purpose until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law, and the sources from which funds shall be obtained for said reserve fund being (i) current and future unappropriated fund balances from the General Fund of the District, as directed by the Board of Education, (ii) appropriations authorized by the voters from time to time, (iii) fund balances transferred from other reserve funds of the District as may be authorized by the Board of Education or by the voters of the

District from time to time in accordance with applicable State law, and (iv) state aid, as directed by the Board of Education from time to time; and

- (b) transfer to said capital reserve fund the entire balance on deposit in said District’s existing “Capital Reserve Fund - Purchase of Buses” established pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 pursuant to a proposition approved by the qualified voters of said District on May 19, 2015.

IV.

Proposition No. 3

Capital Reserve Fund – Swimming Facilities

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District, Monroe and Ontario Counties, New York (the “District”) is hereby authorized and directed to establish a reserve fund pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 to be known as the “Swimming Facilities Reserve Fund-2023” for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part, the construction, reconstruction, improvements and maintenance of District swimming pools, including the acquisition and installation of machinery, equipment, apparatus or furnishings required for the purposes thereof, with the ultimate amount of such reserve fund not exceeding forty million dollars (\$40,000,000), plus any accrued earnings on amounts deposited in such reserve fund, the probable existence of said reserve fund being ten (10) years, but said reserve fund to continue in existence for its stated purpose until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law, and the sources from which funds shall be obtained for said reserve fund being (i) current and future unappropriated fund balances from the General Fund of the District, as directed by the Board of Education, (ii) appropriations authorized by the voters from time to time, (iii) fund balances transferred from other reserve funds of the District as may be authorized by the Board of Education or by the voters of the District from time to time in accordance with applicable State law, and (iv) state aid, as directed by the Board of Education from time to time.

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

VI.
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 Election Inspectors:

Karen Dumont, Stacey Freed, John Reina, Curtis Nelson, Edward Kay, Krystal Lorenzo, Nancy Tirabassi, Gerald Tirabassi, Marie Wraight, John Tanza.

Volunteer Election Clerks/Substitutes:

The following are hereby appointed as Volunteer Election Clerks/Substitutes:

Tina Maffuci, Judy Wallace, Linda Traynor, Becky Girouard, Sandy Stein, Marilyn Meritt, Sue Dodsworth, Judy Weniger, Joanne Druziak, Ann Shelp, Elizabeth Berens, George Isgrigg, Suzanne Isgrigg, Roni Walker, Logan Hazen, Lois Houlihan, Geri Drooz and/or any additional unnamed volunteers not listed that may be needed due to last minute shortage of helpers due to unforeseen circumstances and/or illness. *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 Election Inspectors** are the only paid positions. All others are gracious volunteers.*

14. Motion was made by Mrs. Pelusio, seconded by Mr. Casey and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District does hereby approve the budget transfer of \$280,000 to code 530.2630.491.0630 Instructional Technology – BOCES from 830.9030.800.0802 – Benefits – Social Security
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
BUDGET TRANSFER
SECURITY CAMERA/
STORAGE SYSTEM**

15. Motion was made by Mr. Berk, seconded by Mrs. Kay 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 surplus and does hereby authorize the sale and receipt of proceeds from such.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
SURPLUS EQUIP.
TITAN PAPER CUT.**

16. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Kay 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 EQUIP. -
JACOBSON MOWER**

17. 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 of the Pittsford Central School District does hereby declare the above vehicles surplus and does hereby authorize the auction and receipt of proceeds from the sale of the vehicles.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
AUCTION OF
BUSES**

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18. Motion was made by Mr. Berk, seconded by Mrs. Scott 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.

**APPROVED:
SCRAP
EQUIPMENT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

19. Special Education Report: Ms. Woods noted that the recommendations are on the Consent Agenda.

20. Mr. Pero thanked The Pittsford Education Foundation (PEF) and the PTSA for championing staff appreciation week. He also provided an update regarding the capital project, noting that the first, large team kick-off meeting took place, to determine the outline for the scope of the work, where phase 1 will focus on health & safety.

21. Motion was made by Mr. Berk, seconded by Mr. Casey and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following items per the Consent Agenda:

**APPROVED:
CONSENT
AGENDA**

Vote: Unanimously carried

Bid Awards:

BOCES 2 Fine Paper	Various Vendors	\$60,483.45
Athletic Apparel	Various Vendors	\$24,464.40
Gym Door Safety	G.E.P. Services, Inc.	\$4,300.00
Dust Mop & Uniform Service	Aramark	\$23,305.51 (estimated)
Field Maintenance Products	Lakeside Sod Supply Co, Inc.	\$42,180.00

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

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

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

Memorandum of Agreement

22. Public Comment: Mr. Aroesty reminded the audience of the protocols for public comment. Two people addressed the Board in person.

23. Motion was made by Mr. Berk, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 8:38 p.m.

**APPROVED:
ADJOURNMENT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter
School District Clerk