

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Amie Fredericks, President
Joseph Kiernan, Vice President, arrived 6:34 pm
Fred Couse, Jr.
James Griffin
Heidi Johnson, arrived 6:33 pm
Jean Stapf

ALSO PRESENT:

Brian Timm, Superintendent of Schools
Laura Rafferty, Business Manager
Julia W. Tomaine, District Clerk
Sarah Griffin, Student BOE Member

OPEN MEETING

Mrs. Fredericks opened the meeting at 6:30 pm. She led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Fredericks read the Mission and Vision statements.

Mission Statement: We develop the whole child to be a lifelong learner and a productive member of the global community.

Vision Statement: We are a district of choice offering exceptional opportunities to engage and excite our entire school community.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS WISHING TO SPEAK

None

REPORT OF BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Laura Rafferty, Business Official, presented the recommended budget even though the Governor failed to present the State budget. (*Heidi Johnson, arrived at 6:33 pm, Joe Kiernan, arrived at 6:34 pm*)
2. Dr. Brian Timm discussed the presentations we had during the previous Board meeting in regards to a shared Food Service Program. Mrs. Rafferty prepared a financial comparison of keeping the same model, joining BOCES or hiring our own Food Service Director.
3. Dr. Timm shared the requests to create new extra-curricular clubs.
4. Dr. Timm reminded the Board that the BOCES Budget and Election is forthcoming. The Board was polled to make sure we would have a quorum on the April 23, 2024.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Ms. Griffin discussed the following topics:

1. Math Honor Society induction is being held on April 16th at 7:00 pm.

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2. Yearbook is progressing well
3. GSA / Student Activism has not met, so there is no update on the survey
4. FCCLA Conference
5. Pet Adoption Day at the Lion's Club
6. No Student Council update
7. Students raised over \$1,400 for St. Judes in memory of Ein Shanley.
8. Key Club raised over \$1,000 for Muscular Dystrophy
9. The Prom is scheduled for May 4, 2024, sales are ending soon.
10. Senior trip is coming soon.
11. Seniors are participating in a Community Day on the 20th to help clean up.
12. Track meets are going well
13. Softball had fun at their Myrtle Beach Training Camp
14. Travel Club had an exciting time in Iceland

OLD BUSINESS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda #1-2:

1. To accept the minutes from March 20, 2024.
2. To approve the attached recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and authorize the funds to implement special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations noting that these are confidential.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-196)

NEW BUSINESS – OTHER

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to accept the following policies as a first reading at the recommendation of the Policy Committee:

- 0100: Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity
4321: Programs for Students and Disabilities Under IDEA
4772: Graduation Ceremonies
8410: Student Transportation
8413: Transportation for Non-Public School Students

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-197)

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve the following overnight field trip: State Convention, Buffalo, S. Rhoades

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-198)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mr. Couse seconded a motion to approve the attached Taconic Hills Central School District's contract for health and welfare services for three (3) resident students

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attending non-public schools at a rate of \$815.82 per student, for a total of \$2,447.46 for the 2023-2024 school year.

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-199)

NEW BUSINESS – PERSONNEL

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to amend motion #2023/24-191 to change status from probationary to provisional per the attached memorandum from Julia Watson Tomaine, Personnel Administrator.

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-200)

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to extend Mark Skinner's appointment as a long term leave replacement, to start on or about April 3, 2024 through on or about June 30, 2024, to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Education at a salary of Step 1 of the PPFE 2023-24 salary schedule.

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-201)

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mr. Couse seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Barbara Hottes from the position of Bus Driver, effective March 31, 2024.

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-202)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to appoint Dominique Burdick to the position of part-time teacher aide for a twenty-six week probationary period, effective April 4, 2024, at a salary of Step 1 per the 2022-23 SRP salary schedule.

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-203)

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to appoint the following individuals, pending completion of all requirements:

Sarah Beam and Jennifer Lydon, Co-Coaches - Modified Softball

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-204)

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve the following workers for the May 21, 2024 Annual Meeting and Election and authorize the District Clerk to make any substitutes, if necessary at a rate of \$300 for the day:

Justine Tompkins, Chairperson, Election Inspector

Mary Jenkins, Election Inspector

Pat Knapp, Vote Machine Technician

Debbie Demchuk, Vote Teller

Dorothy Hedges, Vote Teller

Jean Osofsky, Vote Teller

Helene Sellerberg, Vote Teller

Joan Taylor, Vote Teller

VOTE: Motion approved unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-205)

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Fredericks reminded the Board and audience of the upcoming important dates:

April 17, 2024 - BOE Meeting, 6:30 pm, Stissing Library

April 23, 2024 – BOE Meeting, BOCES Budget and BOE Election, 7:00 am.

April 23, 2024 – Audit Committee, after BOCES Budget Vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s) at 7:12 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-206)

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to return to public session at 8:03 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-207)

ADJOURN

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:04 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2023/24-208)

Respectfully submitted,

Amie Fredericks, Clerk Pro Tem