

PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting
 Tuesday, September 10, 2024
 Barker Road Middle School
 (Link to Public Viewing 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, September 10, 2024.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: R. Scott, J. Casey, S. Pelusio, D. Berk, K. Huels, E. Kay, R. Sanchez-Kazacos.
 LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, S. Clark, H. Clayton, S. Cutaia, M. Vespi, M. Ward, E. Woods.

1. Mrs. Scott called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Mrs. Scott asked for a moment of silence for the recent attack on Apalachee High School in Winder, Georgia.

3. Motion was made by Mrs. Huels, seconded by Mr. Berk 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. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Casey and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of its August 13, 2024, Regular meeting.

**APPROVED:
 MINUTES
 8/13/24**

Vote: Unanimously carried

5. Board Reports: Mrs. Scott noted the MCSBA meeting dates as well as other dates to remember.

6. Motion was made by Mrs. Pelusio, 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 approve the budget transfer of Four Hundred and Seven Thousand Dollars (\$407,000) from and to the budget codes listed on the attachment.

**APPROVED:
 BUDGET
 TRANSFER
 REQUEST**

Vote: Unanimously carried

Transfer amount from:

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|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 470-2100-490-0110 | BOCES Tch RegSch Sv | \$40,000 |
| 430-2250-490-2249 | Out District BOCES Placem | \$300,000 |
| 640-1620-490-0622 | OM Utilities BOCES Sv | \$35,000 |
| 820-1981-490-0981 | FEES BOCES Administr Cost | \$5,000 |
| 650-1670-490-0981 | Print & Mail BOCES Servic | \$25,000 |
| 820-1420-490-0420 | FEES Legal Fees BOCES Sv | \$2,000 |

Transfer amount to:

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 610-1310-490-0610 | FIN BusAdmin BOCES Services | \$202,000 |
| 341-2610-490-0610 | MHS Library BOCES Service | \$78,000 |
| 340-2610-490-0610 | SHS Library BOCES Service | \$78,000 |
| 520-2810-490-0810 | Guidance Info Services | \$31,000 |
| 550-2060-492-0060 | DAT Print Services | \$18,000 |

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7. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Huels 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 One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$135,000) from and to the budget codes listed below:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
BUDGET
TRANSFER
REQUEST**

Transfer amount from:

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|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| A630-1480-180-0310 | INF Salaries | \$50,000 |
| A610-1310-180-0310 | FIN BusAdmin Salaries | \$50,000 |
| A440-2830-182-0833 | SPSV Salaries | \$25,000 |
| A550-2060-180-0060 | DAT Salaries | \$10,000 |

Transfer amount to:

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| A830-9089-800-0889 | BEN Undist Emp Benefits | \$135,000 |
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8. Motion was made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mrs. Pelusio and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District does hereby approve the amendment of the 2024-25 budget line to increase 510-2010-490-0010 CURINS BOCES Services in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) with funds from the Unassigned Fund Balance.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
CURRICULUM &
INSTRUCTION/BOCES
BUDGET AMENDMENT**

9. Motion was made by Mr. Berk, seconded by Mrs. Kay and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that J.P. Morgan Securities LLC is authorized to facilitate investments in fixed-income securities with District funds for the 2024-2025 school year.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
J.P. MORGAN
SECURITIES LLC**

10. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. Huels and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education at its regular meeting does hereby appoint Rachel Smith, District Treasurer, as Deputy Purchasing Agent and Terrence Hasseler, School Business Official as Deputy Treasurer.
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
DEPUTY PURCHASING
AGENT & DEPUTY
TREASURER**

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

**APPROVED:
SURPLUS & SCRAP
EQUIPMENT**

12. Mr. Pero noted the great job that both Campus Construction and SEI have done getting the schools ready with the secured vestibules. He also acknowledged Scott Barker in his role, as well as his outstanding communication regarding the capital project. Mr. Pero then welcomed the representatives from Campus Construction and SEI to the floor.

13. Mr. Vader (SEI) and Mr. Ippolito (Campus Construction) provided updates regarding both phase 1 and phase 2 of the capital project. Presentation was shown highlighting both phases.

14. 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, upon the Superintendent's recommendation, approves the following Professional Staff Report:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
PROFESSIONAL
STAFF REPORT**

A. Appointment- Certificated Staff

Name: Rachel Daellenbach
 Position: MCE .5 Reading
 Type of Position: Part Time
 Tenure Area: N/A
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Internship
 Salary: \$28,250.50
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Christine Tenhaeff
 Position: MCE .2 Library Media Specialist
 Type of Position: Part Time
 Tenure Area: N/A
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Initial
 Salary: \$9,976.50
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Michael Chiponis
 Position: BRMS .8/ MHS.2 Spanish
 Type of Position: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Spanish
 Probationary Period: 09/01/2024-08/31/2027
 Certification: Professional
 Salary: \$65,792.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Kayleen Bedard
 Position: MCE Kindergarten
 Type of Position: Regular Substitute
 Tenure Area: N/A
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Permanent
 Salary: \$84,347.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024 - 06/30/2025

Name: Jennifer Birdsong-Ng
 Position: BRMS Special Education
 Type of Position: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Special Education
 Probationary Period: 09/01/2024-08/31/2027
 Certification: Professional
 Salary: \$71,191.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Sophia Bruno
 Position: MHS .6 English
 Type of Position: Part-Time
 Tenure Area: N/A
 Probationary Period: N/A

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Certification: Initial
Salary: \$32,166.00
Effective Date: 09/27/2024

Name: David White
Position: SHS World Language
Type of Position: Regular Substitute (1st semester)
Tenure Area: N/A
Probationary Period: N/A
Certification: Pending
Salary: \$31,659.34
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Scott Deuschle
Position: MHS.6 Business
Type of Position: Part-Time
Tenure Area: N/A
Probationary Period: N/A
Certification: Permanent
Salary: \$71,616.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Lindsay Kaplan
Position: CRMS.6/ SHS.4 Speech Language Pathologist
Type of Position: Full-Time
Tenure Area: Speech
Probationary Period: 9/01/2024-8/31/2028
Certification: Professional
Salary: \$64,995.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Peter Pratt
Position: MHS Technology
Type of Position: Regular Substitute
Tenure Area: N/A
Probationary Period: N/A
Certification: Permanent
Salary: \$111,444.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024 - 06/30/2025

Name: Miles Fox
Position: SHS Social Studies
Type of Position: Probationary
Tenure Area: Social Studies
Probationary Period: 09/01/2024 - 08/31/2028
Certification: Initial
Salary: \$54,294.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Alii Farrell
Position: BRMS .6 Learning Specialist
Type of Position: Part-Time

Tenure Area: N/A
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Professional
 Salary: \$45,351.00
 Effective Date: 10/01/2024

B. Certificated Staff – Decrease in FTE from 1.0 to .2

Name: Mary McKenna
 Position: MCE .2 School Counselor
 Type of Position: Part-Time
 Tenure Area: N/A
 Probationary Period: N/A
 Certification: Permanent
 Salary: \$15,632.60
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

C. Appointment – School Related Professional

Name: Sevinc Brook
 Position: TRE Undesignated Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full-Time
 Salary: \$20,914.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Vaishali Anand
 Position: JRE Undesignated Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full-Time
 Salary: \$22,471.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Theresa Beldner
 Position: MHS Undesignated Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Part-Time
 Salary: \$17.12/ hour
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Helen Elaine Ziakas
 Position: JRE CSE Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full-Time
 Salary: \$21,596.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Shobha Rani Jaligama
 Position: MCE Undesignated Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full-Time
 Salary: \$22,033.00
 Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Amrita Bauliah
 Position: MCE Undesignated Paraprofessional
 Type of Position: Full-Time

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Salary: \$20,339.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Shannon Reighn
Position: MCE Undesignated Paraprofessional
Type of Position: Full-Time
Salary: \$22,600.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Nicole Goodnough
Position: St. Louis School Nurse
Type of Position: Full-Time
Salary: \$43,555.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Margot Queenan
Position: MHS Undesignated Paraprofessional
Type of Position: Full-Time
Salary: \$20,914.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

Name: Katherine Bischooping
Position: TRE Undesignated Paraprofessional
Type of Position: Full-Time
Salary: \$22,033.00
Effective Date: 09/01/2024

D. Resignation – Deputy Claims Auditor – see attached
Cynthia Heagerty

E. Resignation – School Related Professional – see attached
Christopher Backes
Matthew Seidel

F. Revised Fall Coaching Salaries – see attached

G. Appointment – Building Substitutes
Yoseph Beheshti Shirazi – BRMS
Jared Leve - CRMS
Ryan Pierce – MHS
Michael Demme – SHS

H. Appointment – Substitutes
Crystal Madore
Kathryn Dennstedt
Phyllis Peters
Jennifer Marren
Matthew Sherrill
Laura Roblin
Dorothy Styk
Samual Stockham
Crystal Madore

Shobha Rani Jaligama
 Shannon Reighn
 LShobha Rani Jaligama
 Anne Dunning
 Shannon Reighn
 Tyler Cohen
 Declan Claeys
 Emily DeSousa
 Mark Schenkel

15. Motion was made by Mrs. Huels, seconded by Mrs. Kay 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> |
|-----------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Raymond Wunsch | School Aide | MCE | 13.75/wk. | 09/01/2024 | \$15.50/hr. |
| Roula Khalifeh | Office Clerk III | BRMS | 37.5/wk. | 09/03/2024 | \$35,100.00 |
| Margaret Weidmann | Office Clerk III | MHS | 37.5/wk. | 08/26/2024 | \$26,865.00 |
| Alizah Khan | Office Clerk III | MHS | 37.5/wk. | 08/28/2024 | \$26,402.00 |
| Juliet MacMillan | Office Clerk III | ACE | 37.5/wk. | 08/29/2024 | \$26,955.00 |
| Bonnie Hendryx | School Aide | ACE | 15/wk. | 09/05/2024 | \$15.50/hr. |
| Elise Manzi | Office Clerk III | ACE | 37.5/wk. | 09/11/2024 | \$37,428.00 |
| Judith Warren Schultz | School Aide | BRMS | 12.5/wk. | 09/01/2024 | \$15.50/hr. |

CLERICAL

| <u>RESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Nicole Sudyn | Office Clerk III | CRMS | 8 mos. | 08/30/2024 |

TRANSPORTATION

| <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>HOURS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Robert Chantra | Bus Dispatcher | TMF | 40/wk. | 8/19/2024 | \$51,888.00 |
| Jennifer Ornt | Bus Attendant | TMF | 22.5/wk. | 09/03/2024 | \$16,386.00 |

TRANSPORTATION

| <u>RESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>LENGTH OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| David Cristofaro | Bus Driver | TMF | 1.5 yrs. | 08/23/2024 |
| Peter Artz | On Call Bus Driver | TMF | 3 yrs. | 08/21/2024 |

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE

| <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>HOURS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Shaun Fennessy | Security Guard | SHS | per diem | 08/15/2024 | \$26.30/hr. |
| Bradley Spencer | Cleaner | MHS | 8/wk. | 08/24/2024 | \$16.00/hr. |
| Brian Perry | Head Custodian | ACE | 40/wk. | 08/26/2024 | \$22.99/hr. |
| Maria Ramirez | Cleaner | CRMS | 40/wk. | 09/03/2024 | \$35,030.00 |
| Samantha Vorndran | Cleaner | BRMS | 40/wk. | 09/03/2024 | \$33,740.00 |

FOOD SERVICE

| <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>HOURS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Kimberly Cappiello | Asst. Cook Manager | BRMS | 30/wk. | 08/26/2024 | \$19,523.00 |
| Caitlin Heisel | Food Service Worker | JRE | 20/wk. | 08/29/2024 | \$16.10/hr. |

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| Alexander Thomas | Food Service Worker | CRMS | 20/wk. | 09/01/2024 | \$16.00/hr. |
| Meghan McKowne | Food Service Worker | MCE | 27.5/wk. | 08/29/2024 | \$17.70/hr. |

| <u>FOOD SERVICE</u> | | | <u>LENGTH</u> | | |
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| <u>RESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>BLDG</u> | <u>OF SVC</u> | <u>DATE</u> | |
| Ileene Keck | Food Service Sub | District Wide | 1 yr. | 08/15/2024 | |

16. Motion was made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution:
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:
DISPUTE
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reached a settlement in the matter of Monroe County Index No. E2021007084 in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) in exchange for the withdrawal and release of all claims and other valuable consideration to be set forth in a settlement agreement and general release;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign the settlement agreement and general release in the matter of Monroe County Index No. E2021007084; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal and expenditure of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) from its existing Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying the settlement amount.

17. Student Services Report: Mrs. Cutaia noted a few small changes to the Emergency Preparedness Guide and Code of Conduct; both will be approved under the Consent Agenda.

18. Curriculum Report: Ms. Clayton updated the Board on some curriculum projects taking place.

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

20. Mr. Pero highlighted the following gifts to the District:

- A donation of \$23,436.76 from PTSA for payment to Pittsford Central School Districts Cultural Arts.
- A donation of \$6,800.00 from PTSA for the purchase of a Book Vending Machine for Jefferson Road Elementary School.

21. Superintendent’s Report: Mr. Pero highlighted the following: Support the PTSA Super Sale, update regarding safety and security with the vestibules, single point of entry, see something/say something, anonymous tips and concerns, trusted adults, opening day remarks, challenges with world events, article on how American’s are divided on public policy issues, public educators and other folks of influence jobs are not to teach students what to think but rather how to think, acknowledging that in less than a month will be the 1 year mark of the Isreal/Hamas war, the upcoming presidential election in November, the desire for everyone to focus on civility and citizenship and less on disparate political views, the October conference day, official neutrality when discussing politically associated topics, positive relationships, establishing norms that support safe and meaningful dialogue, NYS governor Hochul’s study on whether cell phones should be banned in schools; the Board and district plan to conduct its own study of cell phones, the Advocacy Committee’s efforts to address the lack of foundation aid, sustainability under current formula, since 2012 the State owes the district about 100 million dollars in arrears based on their own formula – causing a significant strain, the district consistently is under the tax cap and performs well, lack of funding over time has caused a compounding negative consequence, inflation, high cost of energy & healthcare, staff shortages, minimum wage compression, loss of funding from NYS, more money going out vs. coming in, Pittsford education performs at the highest level generating results, the need for a consistent & predictable state aid formula from NYS, will ask all stakeholders to participate in advocacy efforts to provide Pittsford with equitable funding. Mr. Pero said that

our students and community are remarkable. He ended by asking everyone to be thoughtful and kind to one another as Pittsford moves through these challenges.

22. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mr. Berk 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 Award:

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| BOCES 2 Cooperative Bus Parts | Various Vendors | \$46,490.25 |
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2024-25 Emergency Preparedness Guide

Code of Conduct Document

Committee on Special Education: Amendment – Agreement No Meetings, Annual Review, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Reevaluation CPSE to CSE Transition, Requested Reviews, Requested Review CPSE to CSE Transition Meetings, Transfer Student – Agreement No Meetings.

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

Committee on Preschool Special Education: Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Amendment – Agreement No Meetings, Transfer – Amendment No Meeting, Annual Reviews.

Gift to the District:

- A donation of \$23,436.76 from PTSA for payment to Pittsford Central School Districts Cultural Arts.
- A donation of \$6,800.00 from PTSA for the purchase of a Book Vending Machine for Jefferson Road Elementary School.

23. Motion was made by Mrs. Huels, seconded by Mrs. Kay and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 7:50 p.m.

**APPROVED:
ADJOURNMENT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter
School District Clerk