

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fred Couse, President
Anne Arent, Vice-President
Amie Fredericks
James Griffin
Heidi Johnson
Joseph Kiernan
Jean Stapf

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Handler, Superintendent of Schools
Michael Goldbeck, Asst. Superintendent
Julia W. Tomaine, District Clerk

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Couse opened the meeting at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The district presented Anne Krasinski, Teacher Aide, with a lifesaving award for her heroic actions when a student was choking during lunch. She successfully used the Heimlich maneuver.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to approve consent items 1-6.

1. To approve the following Financial Reports:

- Appropriation Report (March 2019)
- Revenue Report (March 2019)
- Cafeteria Report (March 2019)
- Treasurer's Report (March 2019)
- Claims Auditor's Reports and Cash Disbursements - Warrants

2. To approve budget transfer #59 in the amount of \$83,211.98.

3. 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.

4. To accept the following policies as a first reading on the recommendation of the Policy committee:

- Policy #5605 - Voter Registration for Students
- Policy #9620 - Child Abuse in an Educational Setting

5. To accept, with gratitude and appreciation, the donation of a Steinway Piano from the Fisher Family at an approximate value of \$25,000.00.

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6. To appoint Judy Harpp to the position of temporary School Monitor, effective April 24, 2019, at a rate of \$14.93 per hour (Step 1 of the 2018-19 SRP salary schedule) to serve at the pleasure of the Board.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-267)

NEW BUSINESS – PERSONNEL

Mrs. Arent moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Julie Roberts in the Elementary Principal tenure area effective September 16, 2019.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-268)

Mrs. Arent moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Jessica Wisniewski in the Guidance Counselor tenure area effective August 16, 2019.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-269)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Renee Rundall in the Elementary tenure area effective August 31, 2019.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-270)

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to approve the following resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board hereby confers a de facto probationary appointment to Stephanie Brockway, who possesses a student with disabilities (Grades 1-6) certificate, to a four year probationary term as a special education tenure area teacher, commencing on September 1, 2015 and terminating on August 31, 2019.
2. To award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Stephanie Brockway in the Remedial Reading tenure area and special education tenure area effective August 31, 2019.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-271)

Mr. Couse paused the meeting at 7:12 pm to have a short tenure reception to celebrate the employment milestone for the above individuals.

The meeting was brought back to order at 7:20 pm.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Dr. Handler discussed the following topics:
 - a. New legislative bill to exempt school districts from the three hours of paid leave to vote.
 - b. Schools need to appoint a substance abuse information officer.

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- c. Math assessments 3-8, no computer testing. Opt outs slightly lower.
- d. Administrators' monthly reports.
- 2. Robert Scott, Athletic Director, discussed NFHS Video program available to schools.

REPORT OF BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES

The Compensation Committee met on May 1, 2019 they discussed the compensation of the unrepresented staff in the district.

PUBLIC / BOARD COMMENTS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of the discussion of matters pertaining to a contractual issue at 7:34 p.m.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-272)

The District Clerk was excused and Mr. Couse was declared Clerk Pro Tem.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Tomaine, District Clerk

ADJOURN

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to return to public session at 9:15 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-273)

Mrs. Arent moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:16 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2018/19-274)

Respectfully submitted,

Chip Couse, Clerk Pro Tem