

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fred Couse, President
Anne Arent, Vice-President
Amie Fredericks
James Griffin (Via Google-Meet)
Heidi Johnson
Jean Stapf
Joseph Kiernan

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Handler, Superintendent of Schools
Julia Tomaine, District Clerk

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Couse opened the virtual meeting at 7:00 pm.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT based upon notices and health advisories issued by the Federal, State and Local officials and pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 of the Governor of the State of New York, dated March 12, 2020, relating to the COVID-19 emergency, the Pine Plains Central School District Board of Education Regular Meeting on October 21, 2020 will be closed to the public. The meeting will be accessible to the public, via video conferencing. The video will be recorded and minutes of the meeting will be made available at a later date.

<https://media.dcbooces.org/Watch/a7G4RrYe>

PUBLIC COMMENT

Meeting was held in the library of Stissing Mountain Junior / Senior high School, Mr. Griffin remoted in on Google Meet. The meeting was closed to the public. Comments were accepted via email and the meeting was livestreamed. No emails were submitted.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

1. CS ARCH - Thomas M. Ritzenthaler, AIA Executive Principal CS ARCH, presented his findings after a visual inspection of the district property buildings. He reviewed his plan for a possible capital project. Mr. Richard McKibben, Director of School Facilities and Mr. Ritzenthaler answered questions from the Board and Superintendent. The Board suggested creating a facilities sub-committee.
2. Dr. Handler discussed the opening of school for the Pre-K – through grade 5 students transitioning from full-remote to hybrid.
3. Dr. Handler noted that Mrs. Taylor submitted a report on the tax collection to date. Also, that the Administrators' submitted their monthly reports, as well.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Arent moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to approve the 2020-21 Board of Education goals.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-81)

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CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Arent moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve consent agenda items 1-8:

1. To approve the Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes from: August 19, 2020, September 2, 2020.
 2. To approve the following Financial Reports:
 - Claims Auditor's Reports and Cash Disbursements
 - Warrants -Budget Transfer
 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 as the second reading and adoption of the following policy based on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:
 - Policy #9350.1 - COVID-19 WORKPLACE AND STUDENT LEARNING ENVIRONMENT ACCOMMODATIONS
 5. To authorize the superintendent to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the district and Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health (DCBCH) in which the district permits DCBCH to use the district buildings, grounds and equipment for mass immunizations and prophylaxis, in the event of a public emergency.
 6. To amend Motion #2020/21-12 to change the stipend of the Broadcasting / Announcement Editor for the 2020-21 school year from \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00 per the memorandum from Tara Grieb, Stissing Principal.
 7. To approve the attached 2020-21 tax assessment and changes log.
 8. To accept bids, opened on October 15, 2020, for four excess vehicles, declared surplus by the Board of Education on January 22, 2020, as described in the memorandum per Michael Goldbeck, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance.
- VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-82)**

NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

Mrs. Arent moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to appoint the following individuals as winter / spring coaches for the 2020-21 school year, pending completion of all requirements at the rate per the PPF Contract:

Erin Doyle - Girls Assistant Basketball coach
Jeremy Weber - Boys Assistant Basketball Coach

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-83)

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Mrs. Stapf moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to extend Edward Weingaertner's request for an extended sick leave to November 2, 2020 per the documentation from the employee's physician.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-84)

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to appoint the following individual(s) as a substitute for the 2020-21 school year, pending completion of all requirements:

-Nora Fontana, RN

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-85)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of the negotiations at 8:21 p.m.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-86)

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

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Tomaine, District Clerk

ADJOURN

Mr. Kiernan moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to return to public session at 8:45 p.m.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-87)

Mrs. Arent moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:46 p.m.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-88)

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Couse, Clerk Pro Tem