

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fred Couse, President
Anne Arent, Vice-President
Amie Fredericks
James Griffin
Heidi Johnson
Jean Stapf
Joseph Kiernan (arrived 7:28 pm)

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Handler, Superintendent of Schools
Julia Tomaine, District Clerk
Michael Goldbeck, Assistant Superintendent

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 December 16, 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.dcboces.org/Watch/a7G4RrYe>

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was held remotely. Comments were accepted via email and the meeting was livestreamed.

One comment was emailed to the Board regarding a transportation issue.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

1. Dr. Handler discussed the following topics:
 - a. Status of the hybrid plan
 - b. Bus Patrol program with the stop-arm camera
 - c. Tax collection

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve consent agenda items 1-7:

1. To approve the minutes from October 21, 2020
2. To approve the following financial reports:
 - Claims Auditor's Reports and Cash Disbursements
 - Extra-Classroom (November 2020)
 - Acknowledge budget transfer in the amount of \$29,288.33

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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 approve the 2020-21 Tax Assessment and Changes Log:

5. To approve the following resolution to authorize the filing of the 2020 - 2021 returned tax claims:

WHEREAS, the Education Law provides that the Tax Collector shall be relieved of all responsibility for the uncollected portion of the tax amount due when a complete list of the delinquent tax items has been certified to the Board of Education, and when the Tax Collector has affixed her affidavit to such statement and has filed an account for the handling of the Tax Warrant.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District does hereby relieve the Tax Collector of all responsibility for the uncollected portion of the tax list and does hereby authorize the filing of 2020 – 2021 tax claims.

6. To approve the following resolution in regards to the NYLAF Agreement:

WHEREAS, the undersigned, being a majority of the Board of the Pine Plains Central School District (the "Board"), hereby adopt, and by executed counterpart, approve, as of the 16th day of December, 2020, the following actions and resolutions:

WHEREAS, the Pine Plains CSD (municipality/school district) is a Participant in the New York Liquid Asset Fund ("NYLAF"), as defined in a Municipal Cooperation Agreement, as amended and restated as of August 1, 2019 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of NYLAF (the "Governing Board") wishes to amend the definition of Investment Consultant and Marketing Agreement to be PMA Asset Management, LLC and PMA Securities, LLC, respectively;

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has adopted a resolution on November 19, 2020 to effect such change and seeks approval of each Participant;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13.1 of the Agreement, each Participant has 60 days from the date of the adoption of the Governing Board's resolution authorizing the proposed change by the Governing Board to approve the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, (A) a Participant shall be deemed to have given notice of approval of the proposed amendment if it has theretofore delivered to the Governing Board an executed counterpart of the proposed amendment and a certificate, in a form acceptable to the Governing Board, to the effect that: (i) such Participant has held any necessary public hearings, conducted any necessary referenda and obtained any necessary consents of governmental agencies; (ii) the proposed amendment has been approved by a majority vote of the voting strength of such Participant's governing body; and (iii) such Participant has satisfied any other requirements applicable to its making contracts; or (B) a Participant shall be deemed to have given notice pursuant to the provisions of Section 7.2 hereof of its intent to withdraw from the Agreement;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following:

The Definitions set forth in Article I of the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

-“Investment Consultant” means PMA Asset Management, LLC, or such other Person who shall be acceptable to the Governing Board.

- “Marketing Agent” means

PMA Securities LLC, or any other Person or Persons appointed or employed or contracted by the Governing Board pursuant to Sections 4.2 and 10.2 hereof.

- “Services and Marketing Agreement” means any agreement entered into with respect to any of the Portfolios by the Governing Board with the Marketing Agent pursuant to this Agreement in connection with the execution of securities transactions and the delivery of securities.

Any other references in the Agreement to RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.), Inc. (RBC GAM-US) or RBC Capital Markets, LLC in the Agreement now be amended to read “PMA Asset Management, LLC” or PMA Securities LLC.”

RESOLVED, that (i) no other public hearing, necessary referenda or governmental consents are necessary for the Board to approve the amendment set forth above and there are no additional requirements of the Board in connection with such approval and (ii) the Board has satisfied all other requirements applicable to its making contracts in connection with its role as Participant. RESOLVED, that adoption of this resolution by the Board and its certification by the Clerk shall serve as (i) evidence of the approval of the amendment by majority of the Board, (ii) the executed counterpart of the proposed amendment, and (iii) the certificate required by Section 13.1(c) of the Agreement, and shall constitute Participant approval of the amendment requested by the Governing Board.

7. To accept the donation, with gratitude and appreciation, from the Chili Memorial VFW Auxiliary 412 in the amount of \$300.00.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-110)

NEW BUSINESS - BUSINESS

Mrs. Fredericks moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves a December 16, 2020 Addendum Agreement to the Superintendent’s Contract by and between the District and Dr. Martin Handler dated July 1, 2015 (a copy of which shall be incorporated by reference into the minutes of this meeting); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President shall be authorized to sign this Addendum Agreement on the District’s behalf.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-111)

NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

Mrs. Arent moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to appoint the following individuals as asbestos handlers for the 2020-21 school year, pending appropriate documentation, stipend per the SRP contract.

- Scott Fitzpatrick

- Lewis Slater

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- Brian Walsh

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-112)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to terminate employee Kelly DuBois from the position of part-time teacher aide, effective December 9, 2020.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-113)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to appoint Marilyn Bialousz to the position of Deputy Claims Auditor for the 2020-21 school year at a rate of \$110.00 per day.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-114)

Mrs. Fredericks moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to appoint the following individual to the 2020-21 substitute list, pending completion of all requirements:

Eleanor Bolander, Teacher Aide, Teaching Assistant, Teacher

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-115)

Mr. Kiernan arrived at 7:28 pm.

ADJOURN

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mrs. Arent seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:29 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2020/21-116)

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Tomaine, District Clerk