

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Handler, Superintendent of Schools
Monica LaClair, Assistant Superintendent
Julia Tomaine, District Clerk
Brian Timm, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to accept the Annual Financial Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2021 of the Pine Plains Central School District and the Extra-Classroom Activity Fund performed by Sickler, Torchia, Allen & Churchill CPAs PC.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-118)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Dr. Brian Timm, Assistant Superintendent and Ms. Monica LaClair, Assistant Superintendent gave a presentation on the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA) and the American Rescue Plan (ARP).
2. Dr. Handler gave an update on the Capital Project.
3. Dr. Timm shared with the Board how contact tracing is handled.
4. Dr. Handler reminded the Board that they are meeting on October 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm to review and set new goals for the year.
5. Dr. Handler gave an overview on the testing of unvaccinated staff.
6. Dr. Handler shared the tax collection statistics with the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Griffin moved and Mr. Couse seconded a motion to adjust the Board of Education meeting calendar as follows:

10/6/21 and 10/20/21 – meeting conducted remotely. All building tours are cancelled until a date to be determined.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-119)

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to approve consent agenda items 1 - 13.

1. To approve the following Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes: September 1, 2021, September 15, 2021 and September 29, 2021.
2. to approve the following Financial Reports:
 - Claims Auditor's Reports and Cash Disbursements
 - Warrants

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- Treasurer's Report (June 2021)
 - Appropriations Status Report (June 2021)
 - Revenue Status Report (June 2021)
 - Extra-Classroom Report (July 2021 and August 2021)
3. To approve an overnight field trip, S. Rhoades.
 4. 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.
 5. To approve the Charter and By-Laws for the following Extra-Curricular Clubs for the 2021-22 school year:
 - Class of 2028
 - Class of 2027
 - Class of 2026
 - Class of 2025
 - Class of 2024
 - Class of 2023
 - Class of 2022
 - EF Travel Club
 - FFA
 - Math Honor Society
 - National Honor Society
 - Student Council
 - SADD
 6. To authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the attached Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District and the Pine Plains School Related Personnel dated October 6, 2021, in regards to family illness. A copy of said agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
 7. To authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the attached Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District and the Pine Plains School Related Personnel dated October 6, 2021, in regards to mechanic uniforms. A copy of said agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
 8. To approve the attached extension and amendment to the memorandum of understanding between the district and Dutchess County Department of Health concerning the use of school facilities for mass immunizations or medication distribution effective January 1, 2022 and continue through December 31, 2022.
 9. To approve the following resolution: **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between the District and the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health, regarding a COVID-19 screening testing program, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
 10. To approve the following resolution: **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute an opt-in Agreement to Participate in the County of Dutchess COVID-19 School Screening

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Testing Services, as presented to the Board at this meeting; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District hereby designates Village Apothecary as its partnering vendor for the purposes of implementing the COVID-19 screening testing program, consistent with the September 2, 2021 Commissioner's Determination and emergency regulations promulgated on September 2, 2021 by the New York State Department of Health.

11. To approve the attached agreement between the District and Dutchess County in regards to the Opt-In Agreement to Participate in the County of Dutchess /Bus Patrol School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program.
12. To accept the installment tax report per the documentation from Joan Taylor, Tax Collector.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-120)

NEW BUSINESS – BUSINESS AND FINANCE

None.

NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to appoint Rebecca Skinner to the position of head bus driver, a non-competitive class civil service position, effective October 1, 2021 at a salary of \$50,760, pro-rated for time of service contingent on the attached agreement.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-121)

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to accept the resignation from Leah O'Connor from the position of 10-month Typist, effective October 1, 2021.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-122)

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to accept the resignation from Barbara Morrison from the position of Bus Driver, effective October 8, 2021.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-123)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to approve an unpaid leave of absence request from Margaret Schuyler, Food Service Helper, effective September 16, 2021, per documentation from her physician.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-124)

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to appoint Shannon Gillis to the position of Senior Food Service Helper, a non-competitive class civil service position, for a twenty six week probationary period, effective October 7, 2021 at Step 7 of the SRP 2021-22 Salary Schedule.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-125)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to appoint the following substitutes for the 2021-22 school year:

-Lindsay Scholl, substitute teacher

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-Jaylen Beliveau, substitute teacher aide, teaching assistant

-Lauren Ferguson, substitute teacher

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-126)

PUBLIC / BOARD COMMENTS

Public comments will be posted on <https://www.ppcsd.org/Page/3268>.

Board Comments

Reminder that the first meeting for the Dutchess County School Board Association is on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

The Board would like an update of the opening of school, open house / attendance.

Reminder that the Ag Fair is this coming weekend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of the discussion of matters pertaining to the employment of a particular individual and potential litigation at 8:21 p.m.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-127)

The District Clerk was excused and Mrs. Arent 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 10:15 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-128)

Mrs. Stapf moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to adjourn at 10:16 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-129)

Respectfully submitted,

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Anne Arent, Clerk Pro Tem