

Pine Plains Central School District
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

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

OPEN MEETING

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. Arent. She then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Arent acknowledged the following Stissing Mountain Junior / Senior High School students that went to Area All State in November 2021 (held at Brewster High School):

1. Milo Francavilla, clarinet
2. Sarah Griffin, horn
3. Max Heggenstaller, tenor saxophone
4. Gabriel Hieter, percussion

Mrs. Arent also acknowledged one student that participated in Junior High All County Band in January 2022 (held at Arlington High School). Unfortunately, due to the weather, there was no performance, only rehearsals for this festival.

- Ren Babcock, flute

TENURE

Mr. Griffin moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Maureen Carney in the Elementary tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-177)

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Tonya Sauca in the Special Education tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-178)

Mrs. Fredericks moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Amanda Pollizatto in the Music tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-179)

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Mr. Kiernan moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Megan Proper in the Special Education tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-180)

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Alisa Hinsch in the Reading and Special Education tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-181)

Mrs. Fredericks moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Jennifer Blackburn in the Family and Consumer Science tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-182)

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to award tenure on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Gerard Lisella in the Secondary Mathematics tenure area effective August 31, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-183)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Fredericks seconded a motion to acknowledge the previously awarded tenure candidate on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to Michelle Palmieri in the Elementary tenure area effective March 18, 2022.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-184)

Mrs. Fredericks moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to adjourn for 10 minutes to celebrate the tenure recipients at 7:08 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-185)

Mr. Griffin moved and Mr. Kiernan seconded a motion to return to public session at 7:18 pm.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-186)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Handler discussed the following: Unified Basketball Senior Recognition, Art Festival festivities, the storm that occurred on Monday causing an early release, sandwich station at Stissing and the administrators' reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the community spoke regarding communication about the budget vote, congratulated on the passing of the budget, reasoning for why they voted for a particular candidate and revamping on how district policies are adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

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Mr. Kiernan moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to approve and ratify the election results of the Annual Meeting and Election tallied on May 17, 2022:

The 2022-23 Annual Budget and Election Results:

Budget:

Yes - 668

No - 226

Bus Purchase:

Yes - 665

No - 224

Bus Reserve

Yes - 645

No - 244

Student BOE Member

Yes - 732

No - 155

Board of Education Election

Amie Fredericks - 699 (won seat)

Fred Couse, Jr. - 693 (won seat)

R. Scott Cavey – 244

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-187)

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Couse moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to approve consent agenda items 1 – 6:

1. To approve the following Financial Reports:
 - Claims Auditor's Reports and Cash Disbursements
 - Extra-Classroom Report
2. 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.
3. To accept as the second reading and adoption of the following policies based on the recommendation of the Policy Committee:
 - 1400 – Public Complaints
 - 1405 – Complaints about Certain Federally Funded Programs
 - 2160 – School District and Employee Code of Ethics
 - 2330 – Executive Sessions

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3100 – Superintendent of Schools

4810 – Teaching About Controversial Issues

4. To approve an overnight field trip to Oswegatchie, Croghan, NY, S. Rhoades.
 5. to appoint the following individuals to the substitute list for the 2021-22 school year, pending completion of all requirements: -Margaret Anderson, School Nurse -Andrew Anderson, Custodial, teacher, teaching assistant, aide -Brianna Swart, Teacher.
 6. To approve the following resolution:
 - BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of and authorizes its President to sign an Employment Related Agreement between the District and Employee No. 51822, dated May 18, 2022, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
10. **VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-188)**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the community spoke on the following topics:

- Communication between the Board and the PPCSD community.
- Focus on the mental health and well-being of the students.

BOARD COMMENT

The Board discussed the funding cut to the School Breakfast and how much it would cost to fund it.

There was a conversation on how to appoint the Student Board of Education Member.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Couse moved and Mr. Griffin seconded a motion to enter into executive session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining employment of a particular person.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-189)

The District Clerk was excused and Mrs. Fredericks was declared Clerk Pro Tem.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia W. Tomaine, District Clerk

ADJOURN

Mr. Griffin moved and Mrs. Stapf seconded a motion to return to public session at 8:32 p.m.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-190)

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Mr. Griffin moved and Mr. Couse seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:33 p.m.
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously. (Motion #2021/22-191)

Respectfully submitted,

Amie Fredericks, Clerk Pro Tem