

BOARD OF EDUCATION

02/16/22

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District was held on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 in the Board Room.

Members Present: Doris Warner, Marc Osterweil, Matthew Steen, Kent Brown and Mike Boice

Others Present: Robert Chakar (Superintendent) Beth E. Teuber (Clerk & Secretary) Laura Norris (Building Principal) & Joy Holden (CSE Chair)

At 5:04PM, President Warner called the meeting to order.

Mr. Brown commented that himself and Mr. Osterweil did a webinar for Board Role & Curriculum and it was very good. This webinar came at a perfect time with the presentation that Ms. Norris and the Curriculum specialist had given at a previous board meeting. Mrs. Warner commented kudos to the Boys JV Basketball Team. Great job.

Dr. Chakar commented that the 3rd quarter is going well and the students are very excited for break.

Sharon Gavette commented on the test to stay for the students. She noted that a number of schools have adopted this COVID test to stay. Roxbury, South Kortright, Gilboa, Delhi and Downsville. She stated that many parents have to take off of work when a student gets quarantined because they have come in close contact with someone with COVID. Ronald Sanford commented that his son has been put out of school at least 5 or 6 times because of being in close contact with someone with COVID. He also commented that he has an issue with the students being written up because their masks are below their noses. Mrs. Warner commented that she and the board will review this and follow up with them. Danielle DuBois also commented that her son was also sent home at least 4 times because of this. Ms. DuBois also put out a concern about her sons teacher missing so much school due to illness. She has reached out to Nancy Millen, elementary Guidance Counselor with no response. There is no consistency with subs for this ill teacher. Tiffany Croizer has the same concern with teacher. She commented that she has sent emails to the teacher with no response. There is just no communication. Mrs. Warner commented that she will follow up on this.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Boice to approve the Minutes from 01/19/22. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Steen, seconded by Mr. Boice to correct the January 19, 2022 minutes to change the wording of ERS to TRS. Approve the 2021-22 TRS Funding of \$42,531 from the Unappropriated Unrestricted Unassigned Fund Balance. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Brown to accept the Treasurer's Report from December, 2022 and Activity Fund Report for January, 2022 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Beall provided the Board with the Audited Financial Statements. Gave a presentation on the School's Revenues & Expenditures.

The Board audited the Warrants and Reviewed the Internal Claim Auditor's Reports for Warrants #0047-0051.

Policy - A meeting was held on January 24, 2022 and the committee reviewed through the 7000's, making good progress. The next meeting will be on February 28, 2022 at 4:30 via zoom.

Finance Committee - The committee had an initial meeting. Dr. Chakar went through all the elements of the budget. Waiting on a few more numbers. The committee will meet before the next board meeting.

The Board received the enrollment report as of 02/09/22 - 338 students (320 in-district + 14 in BOCES + 1 in Gilboa, 1 in Cobleskill, 1 in Milford BOCES & 1 in Oneonta New Visions).

ROLL CALL**CALL TO ORDER****COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD****COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT****COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****TREASURER'S REPORT****WARRANTS****REPORTS****ENROLLMENT**

Ms. Norris gave an update on the American Rescue Plan. She spoke with the reviewer and Margaretville Central School should be approved shortly. Mr. Steen commented that if she needs Kevin Mattice, Program Director from Catskills Air to contact him for that portion of the project. Mr. Osterweil asked if some of the elements of the ARP plan are functioning yet. Ms. Norris commented that yes some are in the works.

**ARP UPDATE
LAURA NORRIS**

Mrs. Holden commented that the interview process is going in a positive direction. Following through with the interviews, and Mrs. Holden states that the interview committee is in a good spot and will have a candidate to bring to the board for approval at the next board of education meeting.

**SPEECH LANGUAGE
PATHOLOGIST
UPDATE
JOY HOLDEN**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Steen

**PERSONNEL
PERMANENT
APPOINTMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE
AIDE
DANIELLE
FRONCKOWIAK**

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Danielle Fronckowiak to the permanent position of Administrative Aide effective March 1, 2022."

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Erica Mendoza to the permanent position of Aide effective March 1, 2022."

**PERMANENT
APPOINTMENT OF
AIDE
ERICA MENDOZA**

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Erika Molnar to the permanent position of Aide effective March 1, 2022."

**PERMANENT
APPOINTMENT OF
AIDE
ERIKA MOLNAR**

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Jaimee Nigro to the permanent position of Aide effective March 1, 2022."

**PERMANENT
APPOINTMENT OF
AIDE
JAIMEE NIGRO**

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Melinda Peters to the permanent position of Aide effective March 1, 2022."

**PERMANENT
APPOINTMENT OF
AIDE
MELINDA PETERS**

Approve Christina Brewer as a Substitute Aide for the 2021-22 School Year.

**SUBSTITUTE AIDE
CHRISTINA BREWER**

Approve Dove Karn as the Arts In Education Advisor for the 2021-22 School Year.

**ARTS IN EDUCATION
ADVISOR
DOVE KARN**

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Victoria Manon to the position of Cook to carry out the duties of the position as set forth in the New York State Civil Service Laws and or Rules for a probationary period of six months to commence 01/03/22 and expire on 06/30/22 at a salary of \$24,000 pro rated for the 2021-22 school year."

**PROBATIONARY
APPOINTMENT OF
COOK
VICTORIA MANON**

"RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Donna Hobbie to the position of Aide to carry out the duties of the position as set forth in the New York State Civil Service Laws and or Rules for a probationary period of six months to commence 02/28/22 and expire on 08/29/22 at a salary of \$17,420 pro rated for the 2021-22 school year."

**PROBATIONARY
APPOINTMENT OF
AIDE
DONNA HOBBIE**

Approve Beth Tanzer as the Girls Varsity Softball Coach for the 2021-22 School Year.

**GIRLS VARSITY
SOFTBALL COACH
BETH TANZER**

Approve Gregory Binfield as the Boys Varsity Baseball Coach for the 2021-22 School Year.

**BOYS VARSITY
BASEBALL COACH
GREGORY BINFIELD**

Approve Stephanie Torres as the Girls Modified Softball Coach for the 2021-22 School Year.

**GIRLS MODIFIED
SOFTBALL COACH
STEPHANIE TORRES**

Approve James Owdienko as the Varsity Tennis Coach for the 2021-22 School Year.

**VARSITY TENNIS
COACH
JAMES OWDIENKO**

Motions carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Steen, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to Approve James Owdienko as the Spring Intramurals Advisor for the 2021-22 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

**SPRING
INTRAMURALS
ADVISOR
JAMES OWDIENKO**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, based upon a review of the employment history of Rose Davis, which reveals that she was not granted credit toward her probationary period for long-term substitute service as a Special Education teacher immediately preceding her probationary appointment to that same tenure area (after serving the requisite years in that tenure area), hereby corrects her employment status to grant her tenure in the area of Special Education Teacher, retroactive to October 2, 2021.

**TENURE
APPOINTMENT OF
SPECIAL EDUCATION
TEACHER
ROSE DAVIS**

Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to approve the CSE Recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER
CSE
RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Board discussed the three options for the 2022-23 School Calendar. They will make a decision at the next month's board meeting on which one they will approve.

**2022-23 SCHOOL
CALENDAR**

The Board discussed the option of buying a 2023 International, Diesel, 70 passenger Bus. The Board gave the ok to move ahead with the bus proposition.

BUS PURCHASE

Mrs. Linda Pesa the 5th Grade teacher made a quick presentation to the Board about a 5th Grade trip to Massachusetts. She would like to take the present 5th, 6th and 7th graders on a trip to Plymouth and Cape Cod. She gave the Board an itinerary with two options. Mrs. Warner asked to have this put on the next board agenda for discussion.

COMMENTS

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to move into Executive Session at 6:30 PM to discuss Negotiations and a personnel matter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Steen, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to adjourn the meeting at 7:45PM. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Approved: 3/16/2022
Clerk: Beth E Seider