

BOARD OF EDUCATION

06/16/21

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District was held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 in the School Cafeteria and via zoom.

Members Present: Doris Warner, Marc Osterweil, Kurt Holcherr, Kent Brown and Mike Boice

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

At 7:04PM, President Warner called the meeting to order.

In Comments from the Board, Mrs. Warner stated that tonight's meeting would be Mr. Holcherr's last meeting and how grateful she is for his service and grateful for his continued service to BOCES. Mr. Holcherr thanked everyone and stated it was definitely a learning curve. He learned about citizenship over the years. Mr. Matthew Steen will be a good replacement as he does have a child that attends Margaretville Central School and that is extremely important.

In Comments from the Public, Mrs. VanBenschoten asked if staff members will be able to attend moving up day and graduation. Ms. Norris replied that she will address that in her presentation of the Graduation review.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to approve the Minutes from 05/19/21. Mr. Boice abstained. Motion carried.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to accept the Treasurer's Report from April, 2021 and Activity Fund Report for May, 2021 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board audited the Warrants and Reviewed the Internal Claim Auditor's Reports for Warrants #0080-0089.

Policy - The board met on Monday, June 14, 2021 and got through a few more policies. Making progress and are half way through. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 5PM.

Building Condition - The committee has completed their goal of 4 meetings, 1 per month. Mr. Marks provided everyone with a document with a list of repairs the committee came up with. Next step is to bring in School House to look to see what can be done before the Architect comes in. They will be doing an analysis to see what can be done in house with our custodial team. Will have more information at our August Board of Education Meeting.

The Board received the enrollment report as of 06/09/21 - 350 students (331 in-district + 14 in BOCES + 2 in Gilboa, 1 in Cobleskill & 2 in Milford BOCES). Remote Students K-5 =8, 6-12 =13, total of 21 Students

Ms. Norris spoke about reviewing the Curricular choices for next school year. We are losing college courses from Delhi. She would like to reactivate an AP Literature course that Joe Dabritz could teach. Graduation is a week away and it will be a very busy week ahead. The Cap & Gown Parade was a success. Prom was wonderful and the kids had a ball. Concerts were live and were very successful. Tuesday June 22, will be baccalaureate at 5:30PM at the catholic church. Thursday, June 24, is 5th grade graduation at 6PM. Friday, June 25, is moving up day for UPK-5. 11AM is graduation practice for the seniors and immediately following with be the senior luncheon. Saturday, June 26, graduation will take place at 1:30PM. It will be outdoors weather permitting. We have about 500 guests to attend the outside ceremony. We are all excited to be outside without wearing of masks.

Mr. Beall reviewed the investment options with the Board of Education. He stated that interest on the NYLAF account is a shame. We are limited in the invested process. At this time the federal reserve will not move rates up and are not changing rates until 2023. The BOE will have to state what bank they would like to invest the funds in at the Reorganizational meeting in July. Mr. Beall will talk to NBT Bank about possibly changing to CD's. Rates are very low out there at this time.

ROLL CALL**CALL TO ORDER****COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION****COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****TREASURER'S REPORT****WARRANTS****REPORTS****ENROLLMENT****PRESENTATIONS
AP COURSES
GRADUATION REVIEW
LAURA NORRIS****INVESTMENT POLICY
REVIEW
GREG BEALL**

Dr. Chakar updated the BOE on the American Rescue Plan. The next steps are to take the suggestions from the work sessions. Plan is to meet with Ms. Norris and Mr. Marks to discuss options then meet with Mr. Thomas Murphy from ONC BOCES to make a draft plan on how to spend the ARP money. The Board can then review and then it will be posted on the Margaretville Website. The first 20% to be spent between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 on summer programs along with after school programs for the children. 50% of the funds to be spent over the next 4 years. Dr. Chakar will keep us updated on the APR Funds.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of Christina Silbermann from her position of 7-12 Science Teacher effective July 26, 2021."

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby grant a child rearing leave of absence for Erin Cure to begin with an anticipated start date of December 2021."

Approve Keira Eisenbeil as the Special Education Summer School Teacher 12:1:1 special class for early elementary grades K-2 from July 6, 2021 until August 13, 2021.

Approve Renea Eignor as the Special Education Summer School Aide 12:1:1 special class for early elementary grades K-2 from July 6, 2021 until August 13, 2021.

Motions carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to Approve the Bernard P. Donegan's municipal Financial Agreement for the 2021-22 School year. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Boice to Approve the revised property tax levy to 0% debt service. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Brown
BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 16, 2021 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MARGARETVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$59,414 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SERIAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF A SCHOOL BUS AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$59,414, LEVY OF TAX IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF TAKING INTO ACCOUNT STATE AID RECEIVED AND TRADE-IN VALUE, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUM FOR SUCH PURPOSE AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to Approve the Municipal Agreement with Margaretville Central School and Andes Central School Article 19A NYS Transportation. Motion carried unanimously.

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

The Board of Education Reorganization Meeting has been set for Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 5PM in the Margaretville Central School Cafeteria.

It was brought to the BOE attention about the substitute pay scale. MCS will create a survey to send out to the substitute teachers to find out and understand what the issue is.

Mrs. Warner spoke about the Mental Health Services. She has a call out to Dr. Doyle the head of the Westchester Medical Center on the needs for Mental Health in our building. She will follow up with him again.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Holcherr, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to adjourn the meeting at 8:26PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved: July 7, 2021
Clerk: Bob E. Seiber

ARP UPDATE
ROBERT CHAKAR

PERSONNEL
RESIGNATION OF
7-12 SCIENCE
TEACHER
CHRISTINA
SILBERMANN
FMLA MATERNITY
LEAVE OF ABSENCE
ERIN CURE

SPECIAL ED SUMMER
SCHOOL TEACHER
KEIRA EISENBEIL

SPECIAL ED SUMMER
SCHOOL AIDE
RENEA EIGNOR

FINANCIAL
BERNARD DONEGAN
FINANCIAL
AGREEMENT

REVISED PROPERTY
TAX LEVY TO 0%

BUS BOND
RESOLUTION

19A MUNICIPAL
AGREEMENT

OTHER
CSE
RECOMMENDATIONS
REORGANIZATIONAL
MEETING

SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER UPDATE

COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT