

BOARD OF EDUCATION

04/10/19

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District was held on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 in the Board Room.

Members Present: Doris Warner, Terence Johnson, Mike Boice, Kurt Holcherr and Marc Osterweil

**ROLL CALL**

Others Present: Robert Chakar (Clerk and Superintendent) & Teresa Goodchild (Treasurer)

At 7:00PM, President Warner called the meeting to order.

**CALL TO ORDER**

In comments from the Board, Mr. Johnson indicated he will be seeking re-election, commented that he attended the BOCES Annual Meeting and what a wonderful job the culinary students did (9 of 15 are from MCS). Mr. Holcherr thanked Ms. Triebe for encouraging MCS students to attend. Mrs. Warner commented that the kids did a wonderful job with the play.

**COMMENTS  
FROM THE BOARD**

From the Superintendent, Dr. Chakar indicated his children enjoyed coming to the big school to see the play.

**FROM THE  
SUPERINTENDENT**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to approve the Minutes from 3/20/19. Mr. Boice abstained. Motion carried.

**ROUTINE BUSINESS  
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Boice to accept the Treasurer's Report and Activity Fund Report for March 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Board audited the Warrants and Reviewed the Internal Claim Auditor's Reports for Warrants #077-083.

**WARRANTS**

FOCUS Update - Ms. Norris indicated that there is a family survey to complete on Facebook. Mr. Osterweil commented that it wasn't really applicable to be filled out by community members unless they had a child in school.

**REPORTS**

Facilities/Transportation - Mr. Boice stated that they met with an architect at last meeting to discuss some small projects (door frames, roof, heat vents, library, bathrooms) as part of the next building project. Next meeting is 4/23 at 1PM.

Policy - Section 1 has been completed and is ready to be sent to NYSSBA. Dr. Chakar and Mr. Holcherr will be starting on the 2nd Section.

Finance - Budget Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7 at 7PM.

**ENROLLMENT**

The Board received the enrollment report as of 3/13/19 - 349 students (305 in District, 23 in Special Classes and 21 to BOCES). Guidance discovered that the report has been overstated by 10 students in 11th grade since September.

Mrs. Wells gave a presentation on her Summer Staff Development Project. She teaches 6, 9 and 10th grade English. Part of her project was to build reading comprehension for 6th graders. They used 2 Harry Potter books and the students really enjoyed them. She had originally set it up with questions for each chapter, but discovered that was too many and didn't want the students to become disinterested. She also incorporated interactive notebooks.

**PRESENTATIONS  
SSD Brigitte Nagle**

Diane Galusha made a presentation on the Historical Society and the addition they are looking to construct on their "Isaac Walton League" building that looks like a covered bridge. She indicated she would love for local history to be part of the curriculum again. They need \$350K for the addition, and are 1/3 of the way there. She would also like to partner with the school for projects.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
Diane Galusha**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the Job Descriptions for Head Bus Driver and Head Mechanic (adding "in accordance with existing warranties" under #1. Motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL  
JOB DESCRIPTIONS**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Johnson

**PROBATIONARY  
APPOINTMENT  
FOOD SERVICE HELPER  
McDERMOTT**

"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 Rebecca McDermott to the position of Food Service Helper for a probationary period of six months to commence on 9/1/19 and expire on 2/29/19 pending successful completion of the fingerprint clearance process." Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to approve the Shared Superintendent Agreement with Andes Central School for the 2019-20 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

**SHARED  
SUPERINTENDENT  
AGREEMENT 2019-20**

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

**PROBATIONARY  
APPOINTMENT  
SECRETARY TO  
SUPERINTENDENT  
Teuber**

"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 Beth Teuber to the position of Secretary to the Superintendent 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 on May 6, 2019 and expire on November 5, 2019 at a salary of \$35,000 prorated for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year pending successful completion of the fingerprint clearance process." Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Osterweil "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 Heather Witte to the permanent position of School Nurse effective March 1, 2019." Motion carried unanimously.	<b>PERMANENT APPOINTMENT SCHOOL NURSE</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr "WHEREAS, the Margaretville Central School District requires additional Instructional Technology software and hardware beyond that which they currently own or is available to it and, WHEREAS, the Margaretville Central School District wishes to spread the cost of purchasing said equipment over several years with a multi-year installment purchase contract, NOW THEREFORE, the ONC BOCES is hereby authorized to expend annually, on behalf of the Margaretville Central School District, funds to acquire the equipment as follows: 77 Chromebooks, Sleeves, Licenses and Agreements for a total estimated cost of \$29,768.94 payable in 3 annual estimated payments of \$9,922.98. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT WITH BOCES</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to adopt the 2019-20 Budget in the amount of \$12,231,278, which represents a 1.7% increase over 2018-19. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>2019-20 BUDGET</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Johnson to discuss bus purchasing vs. bus bonding. IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Warner to bond the two buses this year. Ayes: Warner, Johnson, Holcherr, Osterweil Noes: Boice Motion carried.	<b>BUS BONDING</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Boice to amend the Bus Resolution to the following: "SHALL the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District be authorized to acquire two school buses for a total not to exceed \$163,000.00 to be paid from the Bus Reserve Fund, or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be raised by tax on the taxable property of the school district to be collected in annual installments, and to issue obligations of the district in accordance with Education Law and Local Finance Law?" Motion carried unanimously.	<b>BUS VOTE RESOLUTION</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Warner, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the 2019-20 Real Property Tax Report Card, with no changes or additions to reserves. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>REAL PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD 2019-20</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Boice to table discussion on Funding the Retirement Reserve Fund, Establishing an Insurance Reserve Fund, Property Loss Reserve Fund and Liability Reserve Fund for a future meeting with Greg Beall. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>RESERVE DISCUSSION TABLED</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to approve the Field Trip Request from the Art Club to Corning Museum of Glass. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>OTHER FIELD TRIP - ART CLUB</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Holcherr, "RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent to cast one vote on the ONC BOCES Administrative Budget for the 2019-20 school year, and cast five votes for the BOCES Board of Education members." Motion carried unanimously.	<b>BOCES RESOLUTION FOR VOTING</b>
The Board Members serving on the SSD Committee: Doris Warner and Terry Johnson and will meet on Thursday, 4/25/19 at 4PM.	<b>SSD MEETING DATE &amp; TIME</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to accept the CSE Recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>CSE RECOMMENDATIONS</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Boice to approve the IT Disaster Recovery Plan. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>POLICY</b>
IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Warner, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to move into Executive Session at 8:30PM to discuss a personnel matter. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>
The Regular Meeting resumed at 9:40PM.	
IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Boice, seconded by Mr. Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 9:40PM. Motion carried unanimously.	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_