

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

10/19/22

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District was held on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 in the Board Room.

Members Present: Doris Warner, Marc Osterweil, Andrea Cahill & Kent Brown.

Absent: Matthew Steen

Others Present: Michelle Osterhoudt (Superintendent), Laura H. Norris (Executive Principal) Beth E. Teuber (Clerk & Secretary) Joy Holden (Administrator)

At 5:08PM, President Warner called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Warner commented that the Board will have to move to adopt the Code of Conduct as is for the 2022-23 School Year. Mr. Brown mentioned that he was an observer of the Lock Down/Evacuation and Shelter in Place Drill. It went very smooth and the kids were great.

Mrs. Osterhoudt commented that the Crisis team did a fabulous job during the drill. All the Students and steak holders that were involved, she was super impressed with the team. Kudos to the Crisis and Admin Team. Michelle Thanked the Board for there service as it is Board Appreciation Week. Siemen's came and presented prior to the Board Meeting. Michelle commented that she is working on a grant for the Audit of our energy sources. She is thrilled to do a series of Meet and Greets at some local coffee shops. First one will be at the Bun N Cone on October 25, 2022 at 12PM and the next will be November 2, 2022 at the Picnic in Margaretville.

Cindy Taylor had some comments for the BOE. She stated that she is the sponsor for one of our exchange students. She commented that Margaretville Central School does not have a homework policy and she and the student have been spending 2-4 hours on homework nightly. All homework has to be typed into the Chromebook and it is not being reviewed by the teacher. The Board will respond to Ms. Taylor at a future meeting or through an appropriate staff member.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Cahill to approve the Minutes from 09/21/22. Mr. Osterweil, Abstained. Motion carried.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Brown to accept the Treasurer's Report from July & August of 2022 and Activity Fund Report for July & August of 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board audited the Warrants and Reviewed the Internal Claim Auditor's Reports for Warrants #0016-00022.

Policy - The Committee met on Monday October 18, 2022. They are a quarter of the way through the Code of Conduct. They are working on updating it then they will hold a public hearing that aligns with the procedure and gender policy.

Facilities - Mr. Marks was unavailable this meeting. Next month MTC will join our meeting and give the Board a Presentation with numbers on the phone system.

The Board received the enrollment report as of 10/12/22 - 336 students (321 in-district + 11.5 in BOCES + 1 in Gilboa, 1 in Cobleskill, .5 in Milford BOCES & 1 in Oneonta BOCES).

Jason Waite from Mostert, Manzanero & Scott presented the June 30, 2022 Auditor's Report. First finding within the Audit was the Financial Statement because of the extra COVID money it triggered a single audit with no findings on the single audit. District wide statement/Fund Statement was comparative with other years. The special aid fund has gone up also because of the COVID monies. The Districts unassigned fund balance violated NYS Education Law, which limits school districts from retaining an unassigned fund balance not greater than 4% of subsequent year's budget. It is recommended that the District should continue to monitor fund balance throughout the year and continue to review its options with regards to reservation and designation of fund balance. Jason commented that the audit went very smooth this year. A Motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to Approve the June 30, 2022 Auditor's Report.

**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 POLICY****FACILITIES****ENROLLMENT****AUDITORS REPORT MOSTERT, MANZANERO & SCOTT, LLP**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Cahill to Approve the Margaretville Central School Audit Response for June 30, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Pesa and Mrs. Balch our 5th Grade teachers gave a presentation on their Summer Staff Development Project. Their project was to put together a writer's workshop curriculum map for the 2022-23 school year. They aligned the writing workshop with the four units of Lucy Calkins and incorporated mini lessons from Jennifer Sarravallo's Writing Strategies. They also aligned the IXL writing lessons to be used during computer lab times.

Mrs. Balch, one of our 5th Grade teachers gave a presentation on her Summer Staff Development Project. Her project was to learn Spanish. She worked on lessons provided by Rosetta Stone. It helped her with forming Spanish sentences, vocabulary, and pronunciation. Although she will not be speaking fluent Spanish, she will understand more and be able to communicate basic things with her Spanish speaking students. She plans to continue her journey, in hopes of speaking fluent Spanish in the future.

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

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District, pursuant to Section 3012 of Education Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby grant tenure to Apryl Welch as a Elementary Teacher effective October 27, 2022." Motion carried unanimously.

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

"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 Dale Hoffman from her position of Full Time Bus Driver effective September 30, 2022."

Approve Dale Hoffman as a Substitute Bus Driver for the 2022-23 School Year.

"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 William Osmundsen from his position of Part Time Bus Driver effective September 30, 2022."

"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 William Osmundsen to the position of Full Time Bus Driver 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 10/01/22 and expire on 03/31/23 at a salary of \$36,542 pro rated for the 2022-23 school year."

"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 Gabrielle Weiss from her position of Aide effective October 19, 2022."

"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 Gabrielle Weiss to the position of P/T Aide - P/T Bus Driver 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 10/20/22 and expire on 04/19/23 at a salary of \$26,282 pro rated for the 2022-23 school year."

"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 Kristina Camillone to the position of Food Service Helper 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 10/17/22 and expire on 04/16/23 at a salary of \$16,920 pro rated for the 2022-23 school year."

Approve Danielle Fronckowiak as the 2026 Co-Class Advisor for the 2022-23 School Year.

## AUDIT RESPONSE

### SSD PRESENTATION

LINDA PESA  
SOMER BALCH

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SOMER BALCH

## PERSONNEL

### TENURE

APPOINTMENT  
APRYL WELCH

### RESIGNATION OF F/T

BUS DRIVER  
DALE HOFFMAN

### SUBSTITUTE BUS

DRIVER  
DALE HOFFMAN

### RESIGNATION OF P/T

BUS DRIVER  
WILLIAM  
OSMUNDSEN

### PROBATIONARY

APPOINTMENT OF F/T  
BUS DRIVER  
WILLIAM  
OSMUNDSEN

### RESIGNATION OF

AIDE  
GABRIELLE WEISS

### PROBATIONARY

APPOINTMENT OF P/T  
AIDE-P/T BUS DRIVER  
GABRIELLE WEISS

### PROBATIONARY

APPOINTMENT OF  
FOOD SERVICE  
HELPER  
KRISTINA CAMILLONE

### 2026 CO-CLASS

ADVISOR DANIELLE  
FRONCKOWIAK

Approve Jeanine Pascarella as the 2026 Co-Class Advisor for the 2022-23 School Year.

**2026 CO-CLASS  
ADVISOR  
JEANINE  
PASCARELLA**

Approve Beth Tanzer as the 2026 Co-Class Advisor for the 2022-23 School Year.

**2026 CO-CLASS  
ADVISOR  
BETH TANZER**

Approve Maxmillan Auero as a Substitute Crop Activity Leader for the 2022-23 School Year.

**SUBSTITUTE CROP  
ACTIVITY LEADER  
MAXMILLAN AUERO**

Approve Michael Reichman as a Substitute Teacher for the 2022-23 School Year.

**SUBSTITUTE  
TEACHER  
MICHAEL REICHMAN**

Approve MacKenzie Day as a Substitute Aide for the 2022-23 School Year.

**SUBSTITUTE AIDE  
MACKENZIE DAY**

Approve the MOA between Margaretville Central School and Erica Ritter as a Special Education Teacher to Teach an Extra Class Period a day for the 2022-23 School Year.

**MOA FOR TEACHING  
EXTRA CLASS  
PERIOD  
ERICA RITTER**

Approve Chad Richards as the Boys Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2022-23 School Year.

**BV BASKETBALL  
COACH  
CHAD RICHARDS**

Approve Erin Cure as the Girls Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2022-23 School Year.

**GV BASKETBALL  
COACH  
ERIN CURE**

Approve Ivan Herrera as the Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2022-23 School Year.

**BJV BASKETBALL  
COACH IVAN  
HERRERA**

Approve Chris Cassano as the Boys Modified Basketball Coach for the 2022-23 School Year.

**BOYS MODIFIED  
BASKETBALL COACH  
CHRIS CASSANO**

Approve Greg Binfield and Sarah Hubbell as the Girls Modified Basketball Coaches for the 2022-23 School Year.

**GIRLS MODIFIED  
BASKETBALL COACH  
GREG BINFIELD AND  
SARAH HUBBELL**

Approve James Owdienko as the Skiing Coach for the 2022-23 School Year.

**SKIING COACH  
JAMES OWDIENKO**

Approve Christina Stickle as the Cheerleading Coach for the 2022-23 School Year. Motions carried unanimously.

**CHEERLEADING  
COACH  
CHRISTINA STICKLE**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Osterweil, "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 Laura Norris from her position of Executive Principal effective November 30, 2022." Motion carried unanimously.

**RESIGNATION OF  
EXECUTIVE  
PRINCIPAL  
LAURA H. NORRIS**

**FINANCIAL  
2022-23 GRANTS**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mrs. Cahill to Approve the Grants for the 2022-23 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Greg Beall reviewed the Miscellaneous Revenue Report with the Board of Education

**MISC. REVENUE  
REPORT**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Brown to Approve the Long Term Investment Program Through NBT Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

**LONG TERM  
INVESTMENT WITH  
NBT BANK  
OTHER**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Cahill to Approve the CSE Recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**CSE  
RECOMMENDATIONS**

IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Brown, Approve the Field Trip for the Green Connection Program in Manhattan on November 4, 2022 with the 5th Grade Teachers, Linda Pesa and Somer Balch.

**FIELD TRIP FOR  
GREEN  
CONNECTIONS  
PROGRAM**

Approve the Field Trip to the American Museum of Natural History in New York, New York on December 7, 2022 with Science Teachers, Tiffany Leone and Christopher Cassano

**FIELD TRIP TO AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY**

Approve the Field Trip to a Broadway Musical in New York, New York on March 15, 2023 with the Music Teacher, Raina Corbine. Motions carried unanimously.

**FIELD TRIP TO A BROADWAY MUSICAL**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to Approve the Placement Agreement Between Margaretville Central School and Andes Central School for a Non District Student. Motion carried unanimously.

**PLACEMENT AGREEMENT FOR NON DISTRICT STUDENT**

The Board discussed the Presentation that Siemens gave. Siemens stated that they would cover the cost of the hot water heaters, and installation that Margaretville had to recently replace. The Board will be looking for the credit on the future bill. Siemens will be working with Mr. Marks on all issues we have been having internally. Superintendent Osterhoudt is working on a grant with NYSERDA to fund an Audit for Energy Sources.

**DISCUSSION ON SIEMENS**

The Board discussed the Tech Program they are looking to add to our school programs. They have discussed and decided they are going to rename this program Digital Media Program. They are looking along the lines of Podcasts, Video Channel and Social Media. They would like this to be part of the Middle and High School Classes. They talked about needing a STEM person for K-12 that would work along side the Digital Media Program.

**DISCUSSION ON TECH PROGRAM**

The Board of Education has instituted a new comment and comment sign in sheet that will be available at every Board Meeting. This will give the Board names and addresses of attendee's to respond to if they have commented during the comment section. They have also started a Monthly Board Calendar so anyone new that joins the Board will have a calendar on what to expect on the Agenda monthly.

**BOE PROCEDURES**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mrs. Cahill to Approve the Existing 2022-23 Code of Conduct as it is now. Motion carried unanimously.

**CODE OF CONDUCT**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to move into Executive Session at 7:13 PM to discuss the Performance of a particular employee and a potential contract issue.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Brown to resume the regular meeting at 7:51 PM.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mrs. Cahill to adjourn the meeting at 7:52PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved: 11/16/22  
Clerk: Beth E. Seubert