

**PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD NOTES**



Unofficial Minutes of the November 10, 2016 Board of Education meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES/REPORTS/FINANCIAL - The following were approved by the Board:

- Regular Meeting – October 20, 2016
- Special Education Minutes & CSE/CPSE Placements – Oct. 25 & Nov. 2, 2016
- Financial reports and warrants - none

SPECIAL MATTERS/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS

- Congratulations to the boys varsity soccer team on winning the Section VI Class D championship!
- Congratulations to Cassandra Kelly (soccer) and Gilberto Ortiz (football) who were Fessenden, Laumer and DeAngelo Scholar Athletes of the Week of November 9th.
- Congratulations to Kelly & Marc Wetzler on the birth of a daughter, Grace Louise, on November 2nd.
- Condolences extended to the family of Liam Exford.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

Board Appreciation Recognition

- **The Chef's Class**, under the direction of Liz Hesse, prepared and plated desserts for the board members: red/white/blue cake, pumpkin cupcakes with cream cheese frosting, apple crisp and cream puffs. Class member Anna Sendelbach attended the meeting representing the Chef's Class.
- **Liz Dole's Digital Photography Class** had five photographs printed and framed that will be displayed in the Board Conference Room. These were circulated for the board members to see. Class member Emily Raiport attended the meeting.
- **CASS (Creating a Safe School)** – Amanda Miller and Elementary Students
Approximately 15 6th graders attended and, with Mrs. Miller, shared information on the CASS program/events, PAWS Behavior and Bucket Filling at the elementary school via a PowerPoint presentation.
- **PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support)** – Beth Beaver, Penny Benson and Middle School Students
Four middle school students, along with Mrs. Beaver and Ms. Benson, presented information on the PAWS/Bucket Filling program at the high school and conducted an interactive object lesson where Board members had to work in teams to fill their buckets with popcorn from a large bowl of popcorn with different "tools" (spoon, paper clip, coffee filter, toothpick, etc.).

PERSONNEL MATTERS – The following were approved by the Board at the recommendation of Superintendent Scott Payne:

Administrative

- Granted **Kelly Wetzler** a maternity leave commencing on November 2, 2016 returning to work on January 3, 2017.

Instructional

- Appointed **Donna Reed**, long-term substitute School Psychologist, commencing on November 7, 2016.
- Approved an extension of unpaid child rearing leave for **Catherine Markiewicz** from January 30, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Extra Co-Curricular Appointments for the 2016-17 School Year

Coaches

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Sport</u>
Rich Bianco	Girls JV Basketball
Tim Nobles	Girls Modified Basketball
Jim Weiss	Asst. Modified Girls Basketball (pending more than 18 team members)

- Accepted the resignation of **Desaree Todd**, JV Girls Basketball Coach, effective October 24, 2016.

2016-17 Substitutes

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>
Teacher Aide	Amber Riggs
Bus Monitor	Katy Bromley

ACTION/OTHER ITEMS

- Authorized participation in Bus Driver training for **Christopher Howard**.
- Approved the 2016-17 Budget Calendar as presented.
- Approved the Shared Athletic Program Agreement for Golfing with Forestville Central School for the 2016-17 school year and directed and authorized the Superintendent to sign said agreement on behalf of the District.
- Approved the Shared Athletic Program Agreement for JV and Varsity Football with Gowanda Central School for the 2017-18 school year and directed and authorized the Superintendent to sign said agreement on behalf of the District.
- Adopted policies as presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- ✓ **Playground Swing sets** - more fill needs to be added around both swing sets for safety purposes. We're hoping that this can be completed this fall before the snow comes so that they're ready to use once spring arrives.
- ✓ **Rock pile by the football field** – leftover millings. Will be moved up hill and spread out to create a flat space to store outdoor equipment on. (This job will be contracted out – we don't have equipment to do this.)
- ✓ **Capital Project** – canopies over both main entrances still to be completed - very little else left to do.
- ✓ **Z Space** – video presentation shared. We tend to teach in ways we were taught – which may be 10-40 years ago. Scott spoke about technology and MakerSpace. MakerSpace is identifying areas where all curriculums can work collaboratively with technology and equipment to find content/information and use it to solve problems.

BOARD REPORTS (committee, conference/training, extracurricular event – i.e. sports, play)

Policy Committee - Rose Kruszka

- First reading of policy as presented.

NYSSBA Conference Debrief

Rose shared information on the Opioid/Prescription Drug Abuse, Emotional Intelligence, P-Tech and Autism workshops she attended.

Rex recommended that all board members attend the annual NYSSBA state conference as the workshops and information shared are phenomenal. The workshop he attended that had the biggest impact on him was about a teacher from Lockport with a student in his 4th grade class with a prosthetic hand. The class integrated technology learning how to make a synthetic hand – from producing a 3-D printed hand to actual production. Kids are able to think, learn and work and will rise to the level of our expectations.

Scott shared about the "STEM on a Shoestring" workshop he attended. Lego robotics – starting at younger grade levels.

Committee Reorganization

Jeff will be serving on a grand jury for the next 18 months and has asked to be released from all board subcommittees. Discussion took place regarding assignment/re-assignment of board members to the committees.

Adjourned meeting at 9:22 pm.