

**PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD NOTES**



Unofficial Minutes of the January 9, 2020 Board of Education meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

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

- Regular Meeting– December 12, 2019
- Special Education Minutes & CSE/CPSE Placements – December 11, 13, 17, 2019; January 2, 2020

**SPECIAL MATTERS/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS**

- Congratulations to Cathy & Ken Chase on the birth of a grandson, William Richard, on November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Condolences extended to Laura Osinski and her family on the death of her sister-in-law December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Condolences extended to the family of Paul McGavis (former Board of Education member) on his death December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Condolences extended to Dawn Andrews and her family on the death of her brother-in-law January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD**

- **Athletics** – Chris Buczek, AD Director (merged sports with Gowanda)  
Chris shared status of different sports. There was no interest from PV students in Lacrosse. Bryna noted that she will be meeting with Gowanda Superintendent, Bob Anderson, February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**PERSONNEL MATTERS** – The following were approved by the Board at the recommendation of Superintendent Bryna Booth:

**Non-Instructional**

- Accepted the resignation of **Teri Tenpas** from position of IT Administrative Aide effective December 15, 2019 (Teri was appointed to the position of Personal Computer Specialist effective December 16, 2019.)
- Accepted the resignation of **Glenn “Ed” Barnes** from the position of Custodian effective December 15, 2019 (Ed was appointed to the position of Building Maintenance Mechanic effective December 16, 2019.)
- Appointed **Patrick Richter**, Cleaner II, effective January 13, 2020 and accepted his resignation from the position of Custodian/Building Maintenance Mechanic effective January 12, 2020.

**Extra Co-Curricular Appointments for 2019-20**

- Approved the Memorandum of Agreement with the PVTAs regarding swapping of basketball coaching assignments as presented.

Note: Tim Nobles will coach the JV Girls Basketball team for the remainder of the 2019-20 season.  
Tim Majka will coach the Modified Boys Basketball team for the 2020 season.

**Volunteer Sports Coach – Girls Softball:** Darlene Silleman

**2019-20 Substitutes**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>
Uncertified Teacher	Nicholas Crampton
	Ashley Cruz
	Karah Herman
	Frank Valente

**ACTION/OTHER ITEMS**

- Accepted the resignation of **Rochelle Jackson** from the position of Physical Therapist effective February 1, 2020.
- Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the CSEA regarding the Cleaner II position as presented.
- Approved the agreement with Laura Neratko to provide oversight and supervision of the social work services of Kiyomi Hokyo as presented and authorized the Superintendent to execute the agreement on behalf of the District.
- Approved the agreement with Corvus Bus & Charter, Inc. for Transportation Services and directed and authorized the Superintendent to sign said agreement on behalf of the District for services provided from January 13, 2020 through June 25, 2020.

- Approved the agreement as presented by Campus Construction Management Group Inc., to provide services for the PVCSD 2019 Capital Improvements Project and authorized the Superintendent to execute the agreement on behalf of the District.
- Accepted the donation of a standing banner for our Elementary School Library from the Robert H. Jackson Center. Note: these banners were given to local school libraries highlighting Robert H. Jackson's love of reading.
- Approved a trip for the boys and girls basketball teams to attend an NBA game in Cleveland, Ohio (date to be determined) contingent upon the understanding that the trip will be reassessed and monitored up until departure and that approval be conditional with the Board reserving the right to cancel said trip up until departure.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Kelly Zimmerman noted that with the recent resignation of our contracted **physical therapist**, she has been in contact with Erie 2 BOCES, Catt-Allegany BOCES and neighboring districts to find a PT to service our students (equivalent to a .4 FTE). Jackie Smuda suggested a possibility that Kelly will pursue. Kelly also noted that next week is **mental health awareness week** at the elementary school with lots of activities planned. She indicated she will check into whether there could also be activities at the high school this year in response to Charlie's inquiry.
- Josh Tedone reported that a Randolph graduate who is currently attending Yale spoke to our juniors and seniors yesterday and shared great information regarding **college** applications and scholarships. The **winter ball** is next Saturday and **Regents** are January 21-22.
- Carrie Davenport shared that we will be celebrating a campus-wide "**PS I Love You**" day on February 14<sup>th</sup> with anti-bullying activities at the elementary school and a mental health/suicide prevention presentation at the high school. CASS students will be utilized at the elementary school. We are re-implementing use of "**Step Up to Writing**" at the elementary school to support core literacy. She will be bringing in someone to speak to all teachers.
- Jamie Rodgers is meeting with department heads working on the **2020-21 budget** and working through the hiring process to fill the **Cleaner II** position.
- Bryna shared information/gave updates on the following items:
  - The **instructional budget** will be worked on at the February 23<sup>rd</sup> budget workshop. She and Jamie are still working on components of the transportation and facilities budgets.
  - She will share **student enrollment** numbers with the Board three times a year: beginning, mid-year and year-end as there isn't much change month to month. We are currently at 512 as of today – a decrease of 11 since June.
  - She discussed uses of **Community Schools** grant money that she and the administrative team have been reviewing including a stipended guidance position (see student representative report below), reading program – to be uniform across the district, bus driver reading program that will be an opt-in opportunity – not mandatory. A question was asked about the leveled libraries. Carrie noted that all of the materials arrived in September and were distributed to classrooms. Needs development on implementation. They will be incorporated into whatever reading program we use going forward.
  - She is including information on a **Community Survey** in the newsletter noting that people can request a paper copy, information will be put on Facebook and there will be a link to the survey on our website - but she asked Board members for other means of getting input. Suggestions included having a Qware code posted at the post offices, and having hard copies of the survey available at the local post offices and Super Duper.

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

- **Student Representative Report** – Charlie shared that the students really appreciated hearing from the Randolph graduate who is currently attending Yale - he shared good information. Charlie would like to see more college-focused activities offered for our students – FAFSA nights, information on applying for scholarships. Bryna noted that she is proposing we use Community Schools money to hire a retired guidance counselor provide services as a parent-college liaison and invited Charlie to work on this venture with her.
- **CCSBA Legislative Report** – Larry Zollinger gave update on the January 6<sup>th</sup> meeting noting that priorities and desires were discussed with a lengthy list narrowed down to three top concerns: foundation aid (update how calculated and distributed), modify tax cap and mandate relief.
- **Board Round Table**
  - **Jerry** wished everyone a happy new year and noted that the governor didn't address the \$6 million shortfall in his state of the state address – that we need to be careful as we budget of what will be available from the state.
  - **Jeff** thanked Larry for attending the CCSBA Legislative meetings; noted that he'd like to have Deputy Hanner report every other month to the Board.

Adjourned meeting at 9:46 pm.