

**PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD NOTES**



Unofficial Minutes of the May 14, 2020 Board of Education meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm.

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

- Regular Meeting– April 21, 2020
- Special Education Minutes & CSE/CPSE Placements – April 23, 28, 29, 2020; May 1, 2020

**SPECIAL MATTERS/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS**

- Congratulations to Larry Zollinger for having earned a New York State School Boards Association *Level 1 Board Achievement Award*. NYSSBA's *Recognition Program* is comprised of four achievement levels which are reached by accumulating points for participating in various Association training activities including training workshops, academies, webinars, advocacy events, custom board retreats, and the Annual Convention & Expo.

**PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD**

- **Final Proposed Budget and Purchase of Buses/Van Using the District's Transportation Vehicle Reserve Fund** – Jamie Rodgers and Bryna Booth

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

**Administrative**

- Approved administrative reassignment for **Carrie Davenport** effective July 1, 2020 – her new title is Director of Special Education & Curriculum.

**Instructional**

- Accepted resignation for the purpose of retirement from **Barb Keib-Nelson**, Speech & Language Pathologist, effective June 30, 2021, with appreciation for her 28 years of service in the district and best wishes.

**ACTION/OTHER ITEMS**

- Adopted the budget for the 2020-21 school year in the amount of \$15,763,272.
- Appointed the following personnel for the June 9, 2020 Budget Vote & Election to the Board of Education:  
General Chairperson: Deborah Hooker  
Election Inspectors: Anna Colvin, Jamie Rodgers, Ruthann Smith, Janie Waag
- Approved the Memorandum of Agreement with the CSEA regarding COVID19 effective immediately.
- Accepted the donations of \$1,417.36 to the Class of 2021 and \$1,117.35 to the Class of 2023 from the Community in Action group for money raised from basketball concessions.
- Approved the Public School District Tuition Agreement between the Pine Valley Central School District and the Silver Creek Central School District for the provision of services as presented for the 2019-20 school year.
- Approved the Property Tax Report Card as presented.
- Adopted the following date and time for the annual budget hearing: Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be conducted live via Zoom videoconference pursuant to Executive Order 202.15. People wishing to participate may email the District Clerk ([dhooker@pval.org](mailto:dhooker@pval.org)) for Meeting ID and password.  
Note: The Budget Vote has been set for June 9, 2020 to be conducted entirely by absentee ballot pursuant to Executive Order 202.26

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- **Josh Tedone** – Thank you to many for today's parade – Awesome! Thank you to the technology department for their work with flash drives for instruction. Next year's schedules are being finalized. He's meeting via Zoom with every teacher each week. Student art work and teacher clean-out days have been scheduled. Regents material and individual grade training is being provided by Donna Nowak through BOCES.
- **Carrie Davenport** – Special Education team is meeting needs now with a unified vision moving forward. Discussion for summer and next year being discussed.
- **Dave Davison** – thank you to all for the parade - a special day. The scheduling committee is making good progress with the first draft ready soon. He spoke with a grandma of two students who is concerned with catching kids up this fall and she asked that her concerns be relayed to the Board. Dave assured her that we are working on this – 1) meetings taking place with current teacher/next year's teacher for each student; 2) resources, curriculum and strategies, new literacy curriculum for next year; 3) leveled reading materials; 4) Eureka, Prodigy, iReady programs. Class rosters are being established and should be finalized in early June.

- **Bryna** shared information/gave updates on the following items:
  - A board member inquired on whether the Policy Committee could meet to get the **Policy Audit** done (since many are working from home now). This will be Josh, Rose and Christie. Rose is working – Debbie will schedule a half-day before the end of June to do this.
  - A **Board retreat** will tentatively be set for August 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - **Continuity of Education Plan for the State** – we were initially told they would not be reviewed – but they were. Ours was kicked back and has been revised and resubmitted.
  - Looking at calendar – **end of school dates for this year** -- need 180 student days and 186 staff days (per PVTa contract).
  - We've been told to be prepared to **feed students this summer**. A question was raised about reimbursement. She shared that we are reimbursed for meals to students (food and labor) – but not enough workforce to do over the summer. Options: feeding sites, pick up rather than delivery to each home, opt in rather than opt out.
  - Gowanda has reached out to us again re: **shared Athletic Director** position. Bryna will work with Bob Anderson (Gowanda Supt.) on this.
  - About 95% of staff participated in today's **parade** – with two parade routes (elementary staff went on one route and high school staff on the other) – each took two hours. Kudos to Carrie Davenport and Lisa Kelley for their work on this!
  - She shared that with COVID she'd like to communicate/send ideas to the Board through a **Board Member Powerschool all call**. All were favorable

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

- **Board Round Table**

**Jerry** – noted that we need to proceed with caution and look all spending over carefully.

**Christie** – super proud of Pine Valley stepping up its game during this time.

**Darlene** – thank you to everyone for all their hard work and effort – every employee deserves a round of applause!

**Jeff** – I totally agree with Darlene.

**Larry** – asked about paper copies of the high school and elementary school budget information for his budget binder. Jamie indicated she'd get this to him.

Adjourned meeting at 9:48 pm.