

**PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD NOTES**



Unofficial Minutes of the June 4, 2020 Board of Education meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm.

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

- Annual Budget Hearing/Regular Meeting– May 28, 2020
- Financial reports and warrants

SPECIAL MATTERS/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS

- Congratulations to the following students for their selection to participate in the CCMTA Spring All County that was to have been held at Chautauqua Institution on Saturday, June 6th, but was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

Elementary Chorus (Grades 5-6)

Rayne Bruyer, McKenzie Conklin, Keupper Ellis, Lily Hohl, Katie King, Jarret Meyers, David Ramirez, Madilyn Robertson, Joey Roland, Jada Sterling

Junior Chorus (Grades 7-9)

Jeremy Adams, Arryanna Bardo, Alena Crouse, Ezra Daly-Griffen, Haleigha Hardy, Vivien Libby, Madison Mosher Grace Pflueger, Kristal Ramirez, Fred Roland, Luisa Smith, Sara Sunick, Darwin Westlund, Brandon Yoris

Senior Chorus (Grades 10-12)

Jade Giambrone, Hailey Rivera, Morgan Sandy, Owen Ward, Lyric Westlund

Jr. High Band (Grades 7-9)

French Horn: Molly Sunick

Sr. High Band (Grades 10-12)

Oboe: Charlie Milliman

Clarinet: Maggie King

- Condolences extended to Shawn Huestis and his family on the death of his father May 26th.
- We received emails from two community members that Bryna will address in her Superintendent's Report.

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

Administrative/Supervisory

- Approved **Heather Goreé** as an administrative intern from June 8 - August 7, 2020. She is working on her NYS School Building Leadership Certification through Edinboro University.
- Approved the Employment Agreements with the Director of Facilities and Instructional Technology Specialist as presented effective July 1, 2020, which said Contracts the Superintendent is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the District.

Instructional

- Granted tenure – congratulations!
Tracy Fox, Art Teacher, effective August 31, 2020
Candi Campbell, Teaching Assistant, effective October 4, 2020

Non-Instructional

- Granted permanent appointment to **Glenn "Ed" Barnes**, Building Maintenance Mechanic, effective June 15, 2020. Congratulations!
- Abolished one part-time Clerk II position (in the business office) effective July 1, 2020. The Board of Education has determined that **Mia Abbey** shall be excessed from this position effective July 1, 2020.

ACTION/OTHER ITEMS

- Approved the Memorandum of Agreement between the Pine Valley Teachers' Association and the District relating to 2020-21 professional development as presented.
- Approved the Shared Athletic Program Agreement for Varsity Boys Soccer with Gowanda Central School and Silver Creek Central School for the 2020-21 school year and directed and authorized the Superintendent to sign said agreement on behalf of the District. Note: The Board approved the original Section VI Shared Athletic Program Agreement with Gowanda for Varsity Boys Soccer with Gowanda at its December 12, 2019 meeting. This resolution adds Silver Creek.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Bryna noted that regarding discussion about Mia's position (resolution 5.4), that she had texted Jamie Rodgers (during this meeting) who responded that there is not enough work for her to do in the business office. Mia will be doing the tax collecting for the district, however.
- **Josh Tedone** – the graduation committee is planning a safe celebration and will be looking for community involvement. Senior student photos will be taken on Monday at their homes – outside. Senior awards delivery will replace class night and be scheduled during the last week of June. Student art pickup and band instrument drop-off was recently held. Every student locker has been emptied and teachers have cleaned out their classrooms. He's working with Dave Davison and Carrie Davenport on textbook and technology collection. He mentioned two emails he had received that Bryna will read and address tonight.
- **Carrie Davenport** reported that she has been working on scheduling. She has also been working with Josh and Dave on a virtual summer program for students with disabilities.
- Bryna introduced **Heather Goreé** who was on Zoom with us tonight and was approved as an administrative intern. Heather thanked everyone for the opportunity to work at Pine Valley.
- **Bryna shared information and gave updates on the following items:**
 - **Graduation** – Stacy Chase, Deb Youngberg, Josh Tedone and the rest of the committee reviewed three plans and have chosen to proceed with a virtual graduation – but this can be scrapped if we are cleared to somehow meet in person.
 - **Friday Board memos** will be a little shorter – especially on weeks when we have Board meetings and she has already shared at the meeting.
 - **Annual vote** - we have received 359 valid ballots as of today. Confidentiality of ballots will be maintained with Debbie opening all ballots – placing envelopes in one pile and unfolded ballots in another. Envelopes will be shuffled – there will be complete anonymity.
 - She read emails received from Jen and Harland Morey and Michael King regarding **advanced math** next year for incoming 7th graders (this is not an AP or JCC class). This has been an under-enrolled class (under 12 students), and this cohort will have one-half of that or less. We have only one middle school math teacher, and she will differentiate her teaching in class and has offered to stay after school for students to get additional instruction and offer 8th grade class work beginning in the third quarter. Students who are successful would have the opportunity to take Algebra 1 in 8th grade which is the ultimate goal of advancing in 7th grade. A scheduling meeting will be set up to see if we can fit this class back in, and we will if at all possible. During the interview process (when Bryna was hired) – it was stressed that we need to have higher-level learning opportunities at PV. She noted that it's a give and take to support everybody (AIS and higher-level courses)
 - Mr. King also asked about status of **soccer**, who the coach will be, where practices will be held. It was noted that everything with Section 6 is on hold due to COVID. Due to the current situation, we've not posted for coaching positions yet. Jeff Housler was the (boys varsity) coach last year and probably would be again this year. Gowanda doesn't send a coach. Silver Creek didn't merge with Forestville (Forestville had no varsity soccer last year) and Fredonia wouldn't merge with them because it would move them up a classification. All practices take place at Pine Valley.
 - Section 6 has determined that all **Fall sports** will be lenient in regards to **physicals** and will use last year's physicals for this year's sports. (due to COVID 19)
 - Bryna thanked Josh Tedone again for his service and noted that the **posting** for his position will go out Friday.

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

- **Board Round Table**
 - Larry** – hopes that maybe for our next meeting we can meet in the gym for social distancing.
 - Darlene** – inquired about shared athletic director position with Gowanda. Bryna noted we are still interested in pursuing and are waiting for Gowanda.

Adjourned meeting at 8:33 pm.