

**PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD NOTES**



Unofficial Minutes of the July 1, 2020 Board of Education meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:47 pm immediately following the reorganizational meeting.

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

- Regular Meeting– June 18, 2020
- Special Education Minutes & CSE/CPSE Placements – June 12, 15 & 19, 2020

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

Instructional

- Accepted the resignation of **Shawn Howard**, Technology Teacher, effective August 31, 2020.

Summer Program/Personnel

Summer School Special Education Teachers

Hazel Morrison - Elementary

Dawn Andrews - Secondary

Summer School Special Education Teacher Aides

Sarah Roland – Elementary

Daphne Cortright – Secondary

Summer School Speech & Language Pathologist

Katie Kelley – 1:1 & 2:1

Kayla Sullivan

Summer School Occupational Therapist

Nicole Maher

Summer School Registered Nurse

Jill Kenney

- Authorized the establishment of a summer school 2020 program to be conducted for various dates and times between July 6, 2020 through August 14, 2020 with said programs to be held as presented.
- Authorized the Superintendent to employ substitute Summer School Teachers/Aides for the 2020 Summer School Session.

ACTION/OTHER ITEMS

- Policies – first reading
- Approved the APPR Independent Observation Agreement with the Western New York Education Service Council effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 as presented and directed and authorized the Superintendent to sign said agreement on behalf of the District.
- Approved the agreement with Southtowns Children's Associates, and directed and authorized the Superintendent to sign said agreement on behalf of the District for the 2020-21 school year.
- Approved 2020-21 Federal IDEA Part B Flow-Through Funds Agreements with Buffalo Hearing & Speech, Baker Victory Services and Preschool Learning Center: League for the Handicapped and authorized the Superintendent to execute said agreements on behalf of the district as mandated by Federal IDEA Part B funding regulations.
- Approved the Resolution Agreement with the CSEA PERB Case U-35436 as presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **Carrie Davenport** gave overview of how **summer school** will be run this year. 15 students will be attending with 3-6 per class. Classes will be held in the elementary and high school libraries for social distancing and so students don't have to wear a mask the entire day. A regional meeting was held with special education directors and transportation directors for consistency in how all schools are handling transportation. Temperature checks will be done prior to students getting on the bus and a check list of symptoms will be kept. Students will be in-house two days (Monday/Tuesday or Thursday/Friday) and work at home other three days. Instruction will be skills driven with creative projects and materials/projects given for at-home activities.
- **Brandi Meacham** – day 1 – happy to be here!
- **David Davison** – has switched to interim Jr./Sr. High School Principal as of today. He noted that Darren Everhart was a great **graduation speaker**; the theme of his speech was that hard work leads to opportunity and success. Dave gave kudos to Josh Tedone, Deb Youngberg and Stacy Chase for their work in organizing this year's graduation, which was held on the football field due to COVID 19 and social distancing requirements. At the elementary school level, he has reviewed the schedule and discovered that students were being pulled for **swimming** and were missing AIS services in core subjects. He has adjusted the

schedule moving swimming to May/June after state assessments with longer swim sessions (students were only getting 15-20 minutes of actual swim time per session with existing model). Students will still be able to get the minimum 250 minutes swim time per year through increased swim times per session. He has also reviewed the music/counselling schedules and is adjusting.

- **Jamie Rodgers** reported that she and Terry Brown have reviewed community eligibility for **free meals**. With our current 50% direct certification, we would lose \$10,000-\$20,000. We need to improve how our food is served so more kids will purchase. Bryna noted that food is put in warming carts, and the food is soggy by the time it is served. There is no prep space and no good sink for food service at the high school. This needs to be addressed.
- **Bryna shared information and gave updates on the following items:**
 - **Graduation** went beautifully. She gave kudos to Josh, Debbie, Stacy and Caitlin Sengbusch and her sister for their work.
 - **Jr./Sr. High School Principal** interviews start next week (in-person) with administrators and with committees the week after.
 - **Elementary Teacher** interviews will begin after the principal interviews.
 - The **Technology Teacher** vacancy was posted today.
 - We will be posting for Debbie's position (**Secretary to the Superintendent/ District Clerk**) in July so that we have adequate time to train. Plan to appoint in September with October start date.
 - All **office staff** are back in district or will be within the next two weeks.
 - **Administrators** will be taking vacation time over summer, but there will be at least one or two in-house every day.
 - A one-day **administrative retreat** will be held this summer.
 - **Shout outs** to:
 - **Jordan Campese and Teri Tenpas** – awesome job in technology with trimmed down staffing and all that has been asked of them. Regarding return of technology items – out of 400 devices, fewer than 15 still need to be returned. 235 flash drives were given out and most have been returned. 110 families have no internet.
 - **New CSE Chairperson (Carrie Davenport)** – 28 meetings in two days; 65 in one week; 100 total. We are now in compliance.
 - **Transportation and Food Service Departments** – Jamie Rodgers took the helm and worked out all delivery routes with Joe Goodway and food with Terry Brown.
 - **David Davison** – has done hard work that needed to be done at the elementary school.
 - **Return to school?** We should have guidance by the end of July from the governor and NYSED.

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

- **Board Round Table**
 - Jerry** – spoke of a district that lost two superintendents in one year – importance of retention.
 - Jeff** – attended graduation – interesting being held outside.

Adjourned meeting at 9:26 pm.