

**PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Board of Education Meeting  
 Tuesday, May 26, 2020  
 Virtual Meeting by way of Zoom  
 (Public Access on Website)

The REGULAR MEETING of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education began at 5:30 p.m., by way of virtual meeting platform Zoom, on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 due to mandatory state-wide school closures.

A RECEPTION for tenure recipients was held at 6:40 p.m. by way of virtual meeting platform Zoom, where friends and family members attended to celebrate the occasion. Mr. Pero welcomed everyone and began by noting that tenure is not a rite of passage but symbolizes hard work, demonstrated success and knowledgeable skills relevant to each position. Mr. Cerbone, president, on behalf of PDTA, gave a warm welcome and congratulations to everyone present noting personal investment and dedication to our students is recognized, appreciated and celebrated at this event.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Thomas, K. McCluski, T. Aroesty, V. Baum, I. Narotsky, R. Sanchez-Kazacos, P. Sullivan

LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, D. Kenney, M. Leone, M. Ward, N. Wayman, E. Woods

OTHERS PRESENT: M. Kwiatkowski, J. Sussman, T. Thavakumar-Slavin

1. At 5:30 p.m., the Board immediately convened into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment of a particular person, where no official business was conducted.

2. Motion was made by Mrs. McCluski, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. **APPROVED: ADJOURNMENT**  
 Vote: Unanimously carried

3. Mrs. Thomas called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Mrs. Thomas asked everyone to join the Board in a moment of silence for the lives lost and families in our community affected by the world-wide pandemic, COVID-19.

5. Motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the agenda for this meeting. **APPROVED: AGENDA**  
 Vote: Unanimously carried

6. Mrs. Thomas celebrated our tenure recipients and congratulated them on behalf of the entire Board.

7. Motion was made by Mr. Aroesty, seconded by Mrs. Narotsky and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following tenure appointments: **APPROVED: TENURE APPOINTMENTS**  
 Vote: Unanimously carried

A. Change of Status – Probationary to Tenure

Name: Christina Andre  
 Position: SHS Mathematics

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Tenure Area: Mathematics  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2017 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Julie Danella  
Position: CRMS French  
Tenure Area: Foreign Languages  
Probationary Period: 08/31/2015 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Aaron Frohm  
Position: BRMS Industrial Arts/ Technology Education  
Tenure Area: Industrial Arts/Technology Education  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2016 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Rebecca Kemp  
Position: PRE Music  
Tenure Area: Music  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2017 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Karen Maslyn  
Position: JRE Art  
Tenure Area: Art  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2016 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Amanda Measer  
Position: SHS/CRMS Art  
Tenure Area: Art  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2016 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Tracy O'Shea  
Position: CRMS Special Education  
Tenure Area: Special Education  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2017 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Permanent

Name: Hillary Petroske  
Position: SHS/BRMS Foreign Language  
Tenure Area: Foreign Language  
Probationary Period: 09/01/2017 – 08/31/2020  
Certification: Permanent

Name: Kathryn Phillips  
Position: MHS Special Education  
Tenure Area: Special Education  
Probationary Period: 10/08/2016 – 10/07/2020  
Certification: Professional

Name: Tara Schneider  
 Position: MHS Mathematics  
 Tenure Area: Mathematics  
 Probationary Period: 09/01/2017 – 08/31/2020  
 Certification: Professional

Name: Mary Scott  
 Position: PRE School Nurse Teacher  
 Tenure Area: Nurse Teacher  
 Probationary Period: 09/01/2016 – 08/31/2020  
 Certification: Provisional

Name: Julie Sidou  
 Position: MHS Social Studies  
 Tenure Area: Social Studies  
 Probationary Period: 09/01/2016 – 08/31/2020  
 Certification: Professional

Name: Lisa Williams  
 Position: JRE Special Education  
 Tenure Area: Special Education  
 Probationary Period: 09/01/2011 – 08/31/2020  
 Certification: Professional

8. A required Public Budget Hearing was conducted by Mr. Pero and Mr. Kenney. Listed below are the Fast Facts shared regarding the 2020-2021 budget:

- The Superintendent’s Proposed 2020-21 Budget is balanced, remains within the Property Tax Cap and preserves programs and services
- The Property Tax Cap is calculated to be a 3.76% increase over the approved 2019-20 Tax Levy
- The Proposed 2020-21 Tax Levy is 3.76% (within the Property Tax Cap)
  - The Tax Levy Increase due to the operating budget is 2.18%. The additional 1.6%, per NYS Law is an exclusion to the Tax Levy Limit because “the voters already approved the debt issuance” with the 2003 Capital Project
  - **The Proposed Tax Levy IS within the Property Tax Cap**
- Contained Tax Levy growth within the County average, despite lowest Foundation Aid Per Pupil in the County

Mr. Kenney also reviewed the spending plan, the three-part budget (administrative, program, capital), the NYS Report Card, the proposed total revenue summary, the foundation aid summary, fund balance and reserves. The vote will be held strictly by absentee ballot on June 9, 2020 due to Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.26.

9. Public Comment: Resident J. Sussman encouraged everyone to vote yes on the budget and bus proposition. He commended the Board for live streaming their meetings as well as accepting live public comment. He asked to elaborate on the process of the vote and the counting of ballots. Resident T. Thavakumar-Slavin said that she appreciates the Board for live streaming meetings as well as the work that has gone into the budget, she also noted that she is in full support of it. She asked about the budget and about a possible committee to help with the opening of schools, as well as if school had an official end date. Mr. Pero addressed all questions.

10. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of its May 11, 2020, meeting.  
 Vote: Unanimously carried.

**APPROVED:**  
**MINUTES**  
**5/11/20**

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11. Board Reports: Mrs. Thomas updated everyone on the MCSBA meeting dates as well as other dates to remember.

12. Approval of 2020-2021 MCSBA Officers:

**MONROE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT**

Motion made by the Monroe County School Board Association Nominating Committee and seconded by Pittsford Central School District Board of Education Member Mr. Aroesty to nominate Amy Thomas, President of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education to the office of President of the Monroe County School Board Association for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Vote: Unanimously carried by all BOE Members & Superintendent M. Pero (8)                      No Votes: None

**MONROE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION NOMINATION FOR VICE-PRESIDENT**

Motion made by the Monroe County School Board Association Nominating Committee and seconded by Pittsford Central School District Board of Education Member Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos to nominate Gary Bracken, Member of the Spencerport Central School District Board of Education to the office of Vice-President of the Monroe County School Board Association for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Vote: Unanimously carried by all BOE Members & Superintendent M. Pero (8)                      No Votes: None

**MONROE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION NOMINATION FOR TREASURER**

Motion made by the Monroe County School Board Association Nominating Committee and seconded by Pittsford Central School District Board of Education Member Mr. Sullivan to nominate John Abbott, Member of the Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES Board of Education to the office of Treasurer of the Monroe County School Board Association for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Vote: Unanimously carried by all BOE Members & Superintendent M. Pero (8)                      No Votes: None

13. Motion was made by Mrs. Baum, seconded by Mr. Aroesty and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer’s Report for the period ending April 30, 2020.

**ACCEPTED:  
TREASURER’S  
REPORT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

14. Motion was made by Mrs. McCluski, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the Superintendent’s recommendation, approves the following Support Staff Report:

**APPROVED:  
SUPPORT  
STAFF REPORT**

Vote: Unanimously carried

TRANSPORTATION			LENGTH	
<u>RESIGNATION</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>OF SVC</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Thomas McGrath	On-Call Bus Driver	TMF	7 yrs.	05/05/2020

CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE					
<u>APPOINTMENTS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BLDG</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Nicholas Leone	Summer Help	TMF	40 hrs/wk	05/18/2020	\$12.00/hr.
Andrew Bischooping	Summer Help	TMF	40 hrs/wk	05/18/2020	\$12.00/hr.
Christopher Fursman	Summer Help	TMF	40 hrs/wk	05/19/2020	\$12.00/hr.
Jack Whitaker	Summer Help	TMF	40 hrs/wk	05/19/2020	\$12.00/hr.

15. Motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos, seconded by Mrs. McCluski and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves a Contractual Agreement as presented.  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:  
CONTRACTUAL  
AGREEMENT**

16. Special Education Report: Mrs. Woods noted that all CSE and CPSE recommendations would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.

17. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Pero noted the second reading of policy #7680 – Independent Educational Evaluations that would be acted upon this evening under the Consent Agenda.

18. Mr. Pero noted the first reading of the following policy recommendations:

- a. #7221 - Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities
- b. #7222 - Diploma and Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
- c. #7610 - Special Education: District Plan

19. Mr. Pero extended a huge thank you to BOE and COT members who have helped to support kids and families during this time of great need. He also thanked Dr. Cimmerer for his work on the Pittsford Education Foundation to bring the district an additional 150 refurbished laptops. He also thanked Mr. Kwiatkowski for his support and help and making sure all of the Zoom meetings work and are secure. Mr. Pero again thanked the Board for their genuine support and for helping him to delivery \$60,000 worth of grocery gift cards to families. Mr. Pero also updated everyone on the extended school year program, graduation, the June 6<sup>th</sup> celebration for seniors, as well as the plan to bring students and staff back to retrieve their belongings and return materials. He added that the district is planning to be creative for the new future and he wished the community good health.

20. Motion was made by Mrs. Narotsky, seconded by Mrs. McCluski and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the following items per the Consent Agenda:  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

**Bid Awards:**

BOCES II Cooperative Natural Gas Supply	2020-2021 Budget	\$790,000.00
Dust Mop & Uniform Service	Aramark	\$23,305.51 (estimated)
Field Maintenance	Lakeside Sod Supply	\$30,013.00
Swimming Pool Supplies	Aqua Brothers Services, LLC	attached list of price per
	DMJ Crystal Waters	item in supplemental file

Committee on Special Education: Amendment Agreement – No Meeting, Annual Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meetings, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Requested Review.

Sub-Committee on Special Education: Annual Reviews, Reevaluation/Annual Reviews.

Committee on Preschool Special Education: Reevaluation/Annual Reviews, Annual Reviews, Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting.

Policy Approval: #7680 – Independent Educational Evaluations

21. Old Business: On behalf of the Board, Mrs. Thomas recognized and thanked those in our community serving on the front lines of the crisis by sending continued prayers of safety and wellness to all. Mrs. Thomas said that while operating in a pandemic, it is important to recognize that we are currently in a state of flux which results in making decisions a challenge. Mrs. Thomas also spoke on how local Boards are facing a critical budget vote where they have been given little to no control by NYS. She thanked Mr. Kenney for his hard work on the budget and noted our good financial standing that is within the tax cap as well as having solid reserves that will assist us through this crisis. Mrs. Thomas closed by saying that we need to remain steadfast and look forward to a brighter future.

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22. Motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. McCluski and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Regular Meeting at 8:45 p.m.  
Vote: Unanimously carried

**APPROVED:**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter  
School District Clerk