

April 3, 2019 - 6:30 P.M.
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
PHELPS-CLIFTON SPRINGS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
State Route 488, Clifton Springs, NY 14432 - Midlakes Primary School Board Room

Regular Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Phelps-Clifton Springs Central School District was held on Monday, April 3, 2019, in the Primary School Board Room.

The meeting was opened at 6:31 p.m. by President Ryan Davis.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present- Board Members, Tracy Altman, Ryan Davis, Laura Cirone, Jacob Amidon, Todd Freelove and Amber Wilkes. Also present were Superintendent Matthew Sickles, Business Administrator, Tracy Marshall, District Clerk, Sarah Butler, Principals Christopher Moyer, Frank Bai-Rossi, Assistant Principal Jim Giancursio, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Michelle Robinette, Director of Instructional Technology, Lydia Schadler.

Absent- Board Member, Sheri Scherbyn, Principal, Karen Cameron, Director of Athletics, John Lombardi, Director of Special Programs, Tammy Wood.

A motion was made by Ms. Cirone, seconded by Ms. Altman to approve the 4/3/19 Agenda, carried unanimously (6-0).

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Ms. Cirone, seconded by Mr. Freelove to approve the following consent agenda items, carried unanimously (6-0).

- Approval of Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2019

PRESENTATIONS

Tracy Marshall, Business Administrator presented the 3rd draft of 2019-2020 Budget Proposal. Topics included; Instructional Budget, Included/Excluded Budget Items, Total Appropriations, Total Revenues, Tax Levy, Property Tax Rate Increase and Next Steps.

REPORTS

Mr. Davis, representative of the Facilities Committee reported that the committee had met prior to the board meeting and are moving forward with identifying specific projects. The next steps for the facilities committee will consist of frequent meetings in April and May and the development of a Strategic Stakeholders Committee.

Mr. Amidon recently attended the Four County School Boards Association General Membership Meeting on April 2nd. The guest speaker was newly appointed District Superintendent at Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES, Dr. Vicky Ramos. Dr. Ramos discussed her background in education and her hopes for Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES.

Superintendent Sickles reported on the major technical glitches with the state's computer-based testing and gave credit to the Midlakes Administrators for their preparedness; testing early on day 1 before most of the state resulted in minimal glitches experienced by Midlakes 3-8 students. Superintendent Sickles reported on a proposed change to the 2018-2019 school calendar; to make Friday, June 21st a half day for K-6 Students. The proposed change will be added to the April 8th agenda for Board Approval. Superintendent Sickles also reported on the upcoming budget presentations that he and various board members will give to Midlakes Staff, Students, and Community. Mr. Davis reported that Senator Pam Helming plans to visit the Midlakes campus to give recognition to the accomplishments of the Midlakes Theatre and Girls

Basketball. Superintendent Sickles finished his report with a presentation to the board on strategic planning; an overview of what strategic planning is and why it is important for Midlakes.

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

After Superintendent Sickles' strategic planning presentation, board members discussed how to begin the strategic planning process and dangers to avoid. The board agreed their first step in the process is to invite a Superintendent from a surrounding district to speak to them about strategic planning.

OLD BUSINESS (None)

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mr. Freelove, seconded by Ms. Altman to approve the following New Business items, carried unanimously (6-0).

- To Abolish the K-2 Principal Position effective July 1, 2019
- To create the K-6 Assistant Principal position effective July 1, 2019
- To amend the resolution for the creation of the 2019 Bus Reserve Fund

(Original resolution approved 3/25/19)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Phelps-Clifton Springs Central School District, as follows:

Section 1: The proposition set forth below providing for the establishment, funding and expenditure of a capital reserve fund for the purchase of school buses be presented to the voters of the District at the 2019 annual budget vote and election to be conducted on May 21, 2019;

Section 2: The Clerk of the District is authorized and directed to include notice of such proposition in the legal notice of the annual vote and election;

Section 3: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

2019 BUS PURCHASE RESERVE FUND

(a) The Board of Education of the Phelps-Clifton Springs Central School District is authorized to establish a reserve fund, to be known as the 2019 Bus Purchase Reserve Fund, for the purchase of school buses in an ultimate amount not to exceed \$3,000,000. The Board is further authorized to pay into the fund (1) in the 2019-20 school year and annually thereafter available funds of the District in an amount determined by the Board and (2) to the extent determined appropriate by the Board for the purposes of the fund, state aid reimbursement to the District on account of bus purchases and the proceeds of the sale of used buses, and (3) such other monies as the voters may direct; and to levy the necessary tax therefor. The fund shall have a probable term of 10 years.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Sickles, a motion to enter into executive session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person was made by Mr. Freelove, seconded by Ms. Cirone, and carried unanimously (6-0).

ADJOURNMENT

The Board returned to open session at 7:45 p.m. at which time Ms. Altman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Cirone, and carried unanimously (6-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Butler
District Clerk