



# Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education  
Monday, April 3, 2017, Farnsworth Technology Center*

## **Call to Order**

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Piccirillo, at 6:00 PM. Mr. Piccirillo requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

## **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** *Nancy del Prado, Lisa Gaglioti, Robert Piccirillo and Patrick Ryan*

**Board Members Absent:** *Deborah Escobar, Chad McFarland and Pamela Young*

**Administrators Present:** *Dr. Kathleen Spring, Lisa Cutting and Chris Ruberti*

**Administrators Absent:**

## **Executive Session**

MOTION made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that an executive session be convened for the purpose of discussing particular personnel matters. The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that the executive session be adjourned at 7:00 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

## **Return to Public Session**

The public session was called to order by the President, Mr. Piccirillo, at 7:02 PM. Mr. Piccirillo requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

## **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** *Nancy del Prado, Lisa Gaglioti, Robert Piccirillo and Patrick Ryan*

**Board Members Absent:** *Deborah Escobar, Chad McFarland and Pamela Young*

**Administrators Present:** *Dr. Kathleen Spring, Lisa Cutting and Chris Ruberti*

**Administrators Absent:**

**Others in Attendance:** *Lisa Carnibucci, Karla Empie, Lisa Patierne, Kevin Warren, Richard Arket, Kristy Goergen, Thomas O'Connor, Loretta Cozza, Leslie Smith, Jennifer Russo, Makensie Bullinger, Jason Thompson, Student Representatives; Jonathan Adamec and Gianna DiGregorio, Communications Specialist; Karen Nerney and approximately 15 Faculty/Staff members*

## **Communications – Superintendent**

Dr. Spring spoke briefly about next year's budget and then turned the meeting over to Mr. Ruberti for a recap of the budget.

Mr. Ruberti reported on the budget being \$50,940,000, which is a 2.6 million increase over last year, or 5.23%. He reported the 2017-18 tax levy being 2.83%. Based on the fact that final numbers are still not known yet from the State, he explained the expenses and revenues were based on the information that the district currently has.

He explained that the district is within the tax levy limit calculation to allow the budget to pass with a 50% + 1 majority vote again this year. He discussed staffing increases, class sizes, proposed expenditures and projected revenues for next year.

Mr. Ruberti discussed the proposed bus purchases and reviewed the contingent budget rules. The Budget Hearing and Meet the Candidate Night were announced to be held May 8th at 6:00 pm. The Budget Vote and Board Election will be held on May 16th from 7 am – 9 pm in the high school gymnasium.

**Student Representatives**

Gianna DiGregorio reported on the talent show that was held last week for their peers as well as a showing in the evening for parents. She also talked about the Senior Skit where the students were able to imitate their favorite teachers. She mentioned the recent school play, “Grease”, and although she was not able to attend, she heard it was a great success.

Jonathan Adamec reported that students are preparing for the end of quarter 3 and gearing up for Spring break, as well as preparing for their AP tests.

**Communications – Board of Education**

Mr. Piccirillo thanked all, especially the new administrative team at Pinewood and Draper, for making the first week of the standardized tests run so smoothly.

**Public Privilege of the Floor**

Kerry Vumbaco, who resides on Fifth Avenue in Troy and Kathleen Ives-Kline, who resides on Partridgeberry Court in Schenectady, both representing the Special Education Team at Pinewood, wanted to invite the Board of Education to the end of year power-point presentation and casework that they do with their students. The presentation is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24th.

**New Business – Instructional**

*Approval of Special Education*

**Request for Approval and Arrangement of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements and Committee on Pre-School Special Education.**

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education on February 27, and March 1, 2, 6, 8, 10, 16, and 22, 2017. The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

**Business/Personnel**

*Approval of the first reading of Board policies*

**Request Approval of First Reading of Board Policies**

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that the Board of Education approve the first reading of the following policies:

1410	Policy and Administrative Regulations
5220	District Investments
5675	Student Grading Information Systems
7220	Graduation Options/Early Graduation/Accelerated Programs
7222	Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities

The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting. Mr. Piccirillo thanked the Policy committee and Dr. Spring for taking the

time on their weekend to work on these policies.

**Request Approval of Resolution to Adopt the Proposed 2017-2018 School Year Budget**

*Approval of Resolution to Adopt Proposed School Year Budget*

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that the Board of Education approve the following resolution to adopt the 2017-2018 school year budget:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District, Towns of Rotterdam, Schenectady County, and Colonie and Guilderland, Albany County, New York, be authorized to expend the sum of fifty million nine hundred forty thousand dollars (\$50,940,000) for school purposes during the 2017-2018 school year and levy the necessary tax therefore.

The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

**Approval of Minutes**

MOTION made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the March 20, 2017 Board of Education Meeting.

The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

**Approval of Personnel Recommendations**

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations: After a brief discussion, the motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

**Appointments**

Emily Carayiannis, 342 Reynolds Road, Fort Edward, NY 12828

- Appointment: Long-Term Substitute
- Assignment: Elementary Education
- Date of Commencement: January 3, 2017
- Expiration Date: Close of business June 23, 2017 *(amended from the January 9, 2017 agenda)*
- Certification Status: Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial; Early Childhood Education B-2, Initial
- Salary: Step 1 Plus graduate credits, pro-rated

Erin Bridgers, 118 Harmony Mills Lofts, Cohoes, NY 12047

- Appointment: Long-Term Substitute
- Assignment: Art
- Date of Commencement: March 22, 2017
- Expiration Date: TBD
- Certification Status: Visual Arts, Initial
- Salary: Step 3, pro-rated

Megan Peck, 10 Woodside Drive, Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Appointment: Long-Term Substitute  
Assignment: Special Education  
Date of Commencement: April 11, 2017  
Expiration Date: Close of business TBD  
Certification Status: Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial; Students with Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Initial; Literacy B-Gr. 6, Initial  
Salary: Step 1, plus graduate credits, pro-rated

Larry Brassard, 2031 Michael Lane, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Computer Technician, Permanent  
Effective Date: March 21, 2017

Vincent Plano, 2 Chapel Street, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: P/T Cleaner  
Effective Date: March 27, 2017  
Salary: \$11.98/hour

Rene Martin, 4 Keator Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Substitute Bus Driver  
Effective Date: April 3, 2017  
Salary: \$15.75/hour

Julie D'Andreti, 22 Crestwood Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Substitute RN  
Effective Date: March 24, 2017  
Salary: \$19.25/hour

Margaret Hupe-Cole, P.O. Box 180, Altamont, NY 12009

Assignment: Substitute RN  
Effective Date: March 1, 2017  
Salary: \$19.25/hour

Michelle Canning, 6 Maple Street, Rensselaer, NY 12144

Assignment: Substitute Typist  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017  
Salary: \$13.25/hour

Kimberly DeMidio, 8 Priscilla Lane, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017  
Salary: \$10.00/hour

**2016-2017 Intramurals**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>
Marc Vachon	Pinewood
Kathleen Murnane	Pinewood

**2016-2017 CAT Building Professional Development-\$181.55/day**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Curriculum Work</b>	<b>#Days</b>
Robert Buehler	Nanotechnology	2
George Reluzco	Nanotechnology	2

**Volunteer Assistant Coach - Spring 2017**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>
Liz Cifarelli	Outdoor Track

**Resignations**

Jordan Alburger, 1144 Eugene Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Cleaner

Effective Date: Close of business March 22, 2017

Jennifer Ceas, 660 Feura Bush Road, Apt. 2, Delmar, NY 12054

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 Hours)

Effective Date: Close of business April 7, 2017

Vincent Plano, 2 Chapel Street, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Substitute Cleaner

Effective Date: Close of business March 24, 2017

Katherine Streeter, 1145 N. Westcott Road, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper

Effective Date: Close of business March 28, 2017

**Leaves of Absence**

Christine Baumann, 12 Amy Marie Court, Albany, NY 12205

Assignment: Elementary Education

Effective Dates: April 4, 2017 – June 30, 2017

Reason: Unpaid Leave of Absence

Daniella DeLuca, 1465 Siver Road, Guilderland, NY 12084

Assignment: K-12 Assistant Principal

Effective Dates: February 16, 2017 – April 28, 2017 (*amended from the March 20, 2017 agenda*)

Reason: Unpaid Leave of Absence

**Leaves of Absence (Cont.)**

Megan Peck, 10 Woodside Drive, Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)  
Effective Dates: April 10, 2017 – close of business TBD  
Reason: Unpaid Leave of Absence

**Removal from Service**

Jacob Rivera, 210 Central Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12304

Assignment: Substitute Cleaner  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Michael Allen, 2516 Augustine Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Lifeguard  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Breanna Bradley, 1036 Inner Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Lifeguard  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Danielle Brown, 32 Virginia Avenue, Albany, NY 12205

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Elizabeth Carmello, 11 Mayflower Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor Aide, Lifeguard  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Ian Cohn, 3336 Skyline Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Water Safety Instructor  
Aide, Lifeguard  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Cara Cristello, 107 Stacey Crest Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Lifeguard  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Conor Daley, 550 Vischer Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Lifeguard  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Emery Dergosits, Jr., 107 Stacey Crest Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Lifeguard, Swim Club Coach  
Effective Date: April 4, 2017

**Removal from Service (Cont.)**

William Dergosits, 18 Becker Road, Berne, NY 12023

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Lifeguard, Swim Club Coach

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Michael Dugan, 1713 Norfolk Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Water Safety Instructor Aide,  
Lifeguard

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Danielle Fisher, 1353 Main Street, Rotterdam Junction, NY 12150

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Water Safety Instructor Aide,  
Lifeguard

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Michelle LaFay, 4025 Ryan Place, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor Aide

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Matthew Lewis, 3002 Morgan Court, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor Aide

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Megan Lineback, 1022 West Claremont Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor Aide, Lifeguard

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Joshua Mannarino, 62 Cindy Crest Drive, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Water Safety Instructor Aide,  
Lifeguard

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Lyndsay Martin, 2236 Helderberg Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor, Water Safety Instructor Aide,  
Lifeguard

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

Daniel Planty, 2631 First Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Water Safety Instructor

Effective Date: April 4, 2017

**Executive Session**

MOTION made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that an executive session be convened at 7:28 PM for the purpose of contract negotiations. The motion passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

MOTION was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that the executive session be adjourned at 7:40 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

**Adjournment**

MOTION made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 7:40 PM. The motion passed unanimously, four members present and voting.

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Christopher J. Ruberti, District Clerk