

**PLATTSBURGH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Plattsburgh, New York**

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
**Board of Education School Budget Meeting**  
**May 9, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. – Duken Building**

**ROLL**

Board of Education

Leisa Boise (President)–(arrived 6:11 p.m.)  
Amelia Goerlitz – (excused 7:37 p.m.)  
Robert Hall, Jr. – present  
Steve Krieg – present  
Ronald Marino – present  
Clayton Morris – present  
Tracy Rotz–(Vice-president)–(arrived  
6:28 p.m.)  
Roderick Sherman – present  
Fred Wachtmeister– present

Others

John C. Lebrun (Superintendent of Schools) – present  
Carrie Harvey-Zales –(Ass't. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction) – present  
David Baroody (Ass't. Supt. for Business) – present  
Fortune Ellison-(Director of Special Education) - present  
Dawn Stetz (District Clerk) - present  
Glenn Hurlock (Plattsburgh High School Principal) – excused  
James Manchester (Plattsburgh High School Ass't Principal) – excused  
Jamie LaBarge (Stafford Middle School Principal) – excused  
Trevor Cameron (Stafford Middle School Ass't Principal) - present  
Claudine Selzer-Clark (Bailey Avenue Elementary School Principal) – excused  
Jayson Barnhart (Oak Street Elementary School Principal) – excused  
Susan Wilson (Momot Elementary School Principal) – excused  
Jamie Maggy (Momot Elementary Ass't Principal) – excused  
Norbert Neiderer (Director of Buildings & Transportation) – present

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mr. Wachtmeister led the pledge of allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER/PRO TEM CLERK/EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 6:10 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Krieg, seconded by Mr. Hall to call the meeting to order, to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters as provided for in Board Policy 2330; employment history of a particular personnel and potential litigation. **Motion Carried: 7-0**

At 6:11 p.m., Mrs. Boise entered Executive Session.

At 6:28. Mr. Rotz entered Executive Session.

**Reconvene:** At 7:36 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Morris to reconvene to Regular Session.

**Motion Carried: 9-0**

At 7:37, Mrs. Goerlitz left Executive Session.

**Report:** School Budget Hearing - Superintendent Lebrun and Mr. Baroody gave a power point presentation on the 2019-2020 School Budget.

Downtown Redevelopment Initiative – Renee McFarlin presented the PILOT proposition to the Board and public regarding Downtown Redevelopment Initiative. Questions were asked and answered.

**Public Comment:** There were no public comments.

**Consent Agenda Items**

It was moved by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Marino to recommend the Board approve the consent agenda items.

Minutes

Recommend the Board approve the minutes for the meeting held on April 25, 2019.

Adoption of the Agenda

Recommend the Board adopt the agenda for the meeting being held today.

**CSE, CPSE and 504 Plan Recommendations**

Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education, Committee on Special Education and Committee on 504 Plan recommendations as presented in *Appendix I*.

**Personnel**

**Appointments**

**Probationary/Miscellaneous Appointments**

Recommend the Board appoint the following probationary/Miscellaneous appointments:

EMPLOYEE	POSITION/TENURE AREA	GRADES/DEPT.	EFFECTIVE DATE	PAY RATE	COMMENTS
Kelli Gottscholl	Art Teacher	Bailey/Oak	September 1, 2019	Salary of \$50,272 (Step 4, M)	4-year probationary appointment
Ellen Fesette	Elementary Teacher	TBD	September 1, 2019	Salary of \$51,904 (Step 5, B+45)	4-year probationary appointment
Mindy Fay	School Psychologist	Momot	June 3, 2019	Prorated Salary of \$52,937 (Step 4, M+30)	4-year probationary appointment

**Summer Work – Curriculum and Instruction**

Recommend the Board of Education approve Curriculum and Instruction Work for Summer 2019, pending voter approval of school budget, as outlined in *Appendix II*.

**Substitute/Temporary On Call (TOC) Appointments** - Recommend the Board approve the appointments and rates of pay as presented.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Position (Subs)</u>	<u>Fingerprint Status</u>
Daryl Cosgro	Non-Certified	\$100/day \$85/day \$17.30/hour	Teacher Teaching Assistant Tutor	Cleared
Natalie Horgan	Non-Certified	\$100/day \$85/day \$17.30/hour	Teacher Teaching Assistant Tutor	Cleared
JongHun Kim	Non-Certified	\$100/day \$85/day \$17.30/hour	Teacher Teaching Assistant Tutor	Cleared
Jennifer Bryan	N/A	\$11.10/hour	Teacher Aide/Student Aide	Cleared

**Retirement/Resignation**

Recommend the Board accept Suzanne Alger’s letter of retirement as Cook Manager for the Plattsburgh City School District, effective June 30, 2019.

Recommend the Board accept Michelle Hunt’s letter of resignation as Student Aide/Teacher Aide at Plattsburgh High School, effective May 4, 2019. **Motion Carried: 8-0**

**Correspondence** – The following correspondence was shared with the Board:

- Memo from Dr. Davey in regards to the 10-Day Notice of Intent to Fill Vacancies on the CVES Board.
- CVES 2019 Annual Vote/Election results
- Letter of gratitude to the Plattsburgh High School’s Madame Jila Yadollahpour

**New Business**

**Business**

**Correction to Minutes**

It was moved by Mr. Rotz, seconded by Mr. Krieg to recommend the Board approve the following correction be made to the School Board minutes of April 9, 2019: Under PERSONNEL/Resignations for Nancy Montefusco’s, effective date to read July 2, 2019. **Motion Carried: 8-0**

**Donation of Grant Funds – Footbridge Project**

It was moved by Mr. Rotz, seconded by Mr. Hall to recommend the Board accept the following grant funds provided through Senator Little’s and Assemblyman Jones’ offices, to be applied toward the cost of repairs to the Footbridge:

- \$400,000.00 from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY)
- \$50,000.00 from the New York State Education Department (Grant-in-Aid)

**Motion Carried: 8-0**

**Resolution - Adopting Second Amended and Restated Municipal Cooperation Agreement - Employee/Retiree Health Insurance Coverage**

It was moved by Mr. Rotz, seconded by Mr. Sherman to recommend the Board approve the following resolution related to Employee/Retiree Health Insurance coverage:

**RESOLUTION**

**Adopting Second Amended and Restated Municipal Cooperation Agreement**

**WHEREAS**, the District is a party to an Amended and Restated Municipal Cooperation Agreement (“MCA”) under Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law for the purpose of providing employee and retiree health insurance coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors recommends amending the MCA to add labor representative to the Board of Directors and to provide a method for merged school Districts to continue in the Consortium;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, that the District approve proposed Second Amended and Restated Municipal Cooperation Agreement which will then be operative upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all participating Districts, in accord with Section T of the MCA. **Motion Carried: 8-0**

**Instructional**

**CVES Special Education Summer School Program**

It was moved by Mr. Marino, seconded by Mr. Rotz to recommend the Board pass the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Plattsburgh City School District intends to participate in the 2020 Special Education School-Aged Summer School, and agrees to pay the actual CEWW BOCES costs for the 2020 summer school; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board shall notify the CEWW BOCES in writing of the District’s commitment as described herein and the District’s intent to participate in the 2020 Special Education School Age Summer School. A copy of this adopted resolution is to be provided to the CEWW BOCES and its District Superintendent.

**Motion Carried: 8-0**

Superintendent Lebrun shared a listing of the history of board members given to him by Mr. Wachtmeister

**Board Member Reports/Remarks**

Mr. Hall inquired on an update on gas line – Mr. Barody reported he spoke to Mr. Giroux – new pipe has been installed. They (NYSEG) have been making excellent progress. Next week they will test new pipe and then will run gas through it and remove existing line. Mr. Barody is very pleased with the progress made so far.

Mr. Wachtmeister commented that he will not be in favor of the PILOT.

Mr. Sherman thanked Superintendent Lebrun for inviting tonight’s guest speaker.

Mr. Marino had a great time tonight. He stated the District needs to keep up on various meetings – be sure to follow up on PILOT.

Mrs. Boise thanked everyone for their input. While we appreciated the presentation, she agrees with Mr. Wachtmeister and is not in favor of the PILOT and agrees we need to keep an eye on things.

**Public Comment** – A constituent spoke on PILOT – was very impressed with questions. He shared his concerns regarding revenue, investment, assessment to mention a few.

Mr. Neiderer informed the Board and the public that the VFW will be having a memorial ceremony on May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Boynton branch.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:50 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Marino seconded by Mr. Rotz to adjourn.

**Motion Carried: 8-0**

Respectfully,

Dawn Stetz  
District Clerk