

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
TICONDEROGA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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“Sentinels for Excellence”

MINUTES

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| Members Present | Mark Russell, Erik Leerkes, Seanna Porter, Tracey Cross-Baker, Robert Dedrick, Sr., Lynne Lenhart, John Bartlett, James Wells, Sr. |
| Memb. Absent | Eric Rich |
| Others Present | Cynthia Johnston, Erin Hamel, Matt & Laurie Cossey, Tracy Price, John Donohue, Scott Nephew, Maria Bagneschi, Tim Rowland, Robyn Smith, Call-in |
| Call to Order | I. CALL TO ORDER - Mr. Russell at 6:00 p.m.
II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS |
| Schl. Safety/ COVID Update | A. School Safety/COVID-19 Update - Cynthia Ford-Johnston
IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
V. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS |
| Approve Minutes | A. Approval of Financial Items
1. a. It was moved by Mr. Leerkes, seconded by Mrs. Lenhart, that the Board of Education make any necessary corrections and approve the minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting held on December 15, 2020, and
b. acknowledge receipt of the monthly Financial Reports, and
c. approve the Schedule of Bills for payment, and
d. acknowledge receipt of the Extra Classroom Activity Fund Reports for November dated December 22, 2020 and for December dated January 12, 2021 (Enc.), and |
| Ack. Fin. Rpts., Approve Sched. of Bills, Ack. ECAF Rpts. | B. Personnel
1. that the Board of Education accept the resignation of <u>John Garcia</u> as the Director of Facilities II effective January 18, 2021 (Enc.), and
2. that the Board of Education accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, of <u>Michael Zent</u> as a Mechanic/Bus Driver effective June 30, 2021 (Enc.), and
3. that the Board of Education approve a Leave of Absence for <u>Keith Kuhl</u> as a Maintenance/Mechanic to be paid from his sick/personal leave time, if available, beginning January 21, 2021, with a return to work date of March 8, 2021, awaiting physician release, under the Family and Medical Leave Act (Enc.), and |
| Accept Resign. J. Garcia Dir. of Fac. II | |
| Accept Resign. Retire. M. Zent Mechanic/Bus | |
| Approve LOA K. Kuhl Maint./Mechanic | |

Accept Resign.
Retire. M. Slade
Tchr. Assist.

4. that the Board of Education accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Michelle Slade as a Teaching Assistant effective June 30, 2021 (Enc.), and

Approve Subs

5. that the Board of Education approve the following substitute(s)/temporary on call employee(s) for the 2020-21 school year pending fingerprinting and approval by the State Education Department:

Suzan Francis - Teacher, Teaching Assistant (Enc.), and

Approve CSE,
CPSE & 504
Recomm. (Cont.)

C. New Business - Recommendations of Committee on Pre-School Special Education, Committee on Special Education and 504 Committee

1. that the Board of Education approve the following recommendations:

CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations for the Board of 1/21/2021		
Meeting Date	Committee	Meeting Reason
12/14/20	CSE	Initial Determination
12/14/20	CSE	Initial Determination
12/14/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/14/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/14/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/14/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/15/20	CPSE	Initial Determination
12/15/20	CPSE	Initial Determination
12/15/20	CPSE	Initial Determination
12/15/20	CPSE	Requested Review
12/15/20	CPSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Requested Review
12/16/20	CSE	Transfer in
12/16/20	CSE	Initial Determination
1/5/21	CSE	Requested Review
1/5/21	CPSE	Requested Review (Enc.), and

Accept Donations

D. New Business - Accept Donations/Grants

1. that the Board of Education accept the following donations/grants for the listed purposes:

- a. Donation of \$500 for the Robert Palandrani Scholarship from Frank and Eileen Fontana, and
- b. donation of \$200 for the Cafeteria Fund from First United Methodist Church, and
- c. donation of \$100 for the John Herbert Scholarship from Andrea Herbert, and. donation of \$100 for the John Herbert Scholarship from Jacqueline & Tracey Brown and Julie Leeret, and
- d. donation of \$200 for the John Herbert Scholarship from Jane Stickney, and
- e. donation of \$1,500 for the Senior High School from Walmart, and

- Accept Donations (Cont.) f. donation of \$300 for PPE needs for the Home and Career skills classes from Stewart's Shops, and
- Approve 2021-22 Budget Time Table E. New Business - Approval of the 2021-22 Budget Time Table
1. that the Board of Education approve the 2021-22 Budget Time Table (Enc.), and
- Appoint School Attorney F. New Business - Appoint School Attorney
1. that the Board of Education appoint Bond, Schoeneck & King as School Attorneys for the 2020-2021 school year, and
- Approve Surplus of Equipment G. New Business - Surplus Equipment
1. that the Board of Education approve to surplus the following equipment:
Parts Cleaner, Galvanized Fence Posts, Swing Set Parts, Galvanized Fence, Steel Stairs, Plow, Hydraulic Pump for Car Lift, Versa Vacuum, Salter, Various Gates, and
- Authorize SOS to Sign Agrmnt. w/ Essex Co. DOH H. New Business - Authorize Interim Superintendent to Sign Agreement with Essex County Public Health Department
1. that the Board of Education authorize the Interim Superintendent of Schools to sign the agreement with Essex County Public Health Department effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 (Enc.), and
- Authorize SOS to Sign Agrmnt. w/ Essex Co. Mental Health Services I. New Business - Authorize Interim Superintendent to Sign Agreement with Essex County Mental Health Services
1. that the Board of Education authorize the Interim Superintendent of Schools to sign the agreement with Essex County Mental Health Services effective January 1, 2021 through December 1, 2021 (Enc.), and
- Approve Amended Policy 2160 J. New Business - Approval and Adoption of a Board Policy
1. that the Board of Education review the following enclosed amended Board Policy for approval and adoption:
Policy 2160 Code of Ethics (Amended) (Enc.), and
First Reading - December 15, 2020
Adoption January 21, 2021
- Approve P-Card Resolution K. New Business - Issuance of Individual Procurement Card
1. that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of the Ticonderoga Central School District has the authority to enter into an agreement with the Bank of Montreal for purchasing cards; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Ticonderoga Central School District that the Treasurer is authorized to enter into an Agreement with the Bank of Montreal to secure Procurement Cards for each authorized employee of the municipality under such terms and conditions as approved by the Council/Board. The Board authorizes the District's Business Manager to execute a p-Card program agreement on its behalf, and

Approve NYLAF
Resolution

L. New Business - New York Liquid Asset Fund Resolution

1. that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the undersigned, being a majority of the Board of the Ticonderoga Central School District (the "Board"), hereby adopt, and by executed counterpart, approve, as of the 21 day of January, 2021, the following actions and resolutions:

WHEREAS, the Ticonderoga Central School District is a Participant in the New York Liquid Asset Fund ("NYLAF"), as defined in a Municipal Cooperation Agreement, as amended and restated as of August 1, 2019 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of NYLAF (the "Governing Board") wishes to amend the definition of Investment Consultant and Marketing Agreement to be PMA Asset Management, LLC and PMA Securities, LLC, respectively;

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has adopted a resolution on November 19, 2020 to effect such change and seeks approval of each Participant;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13.1 of the Agreement, each Participant has 60 days from the date of the adoption of the Governing Board's resolution authorizing the proposed change by the Governing Board to approve the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, (A) a Participant shall be deemed to have given notice of approval of the proposed amendment if it has theretofore delivered to the Governing Board an executed counterpart of the proposed amendment and a certificate, in a form acceptable to the Governing Board, to the effect that: (i) such Participant has held any necessary public hearings, conducted any necessary referenda and obtained any necessary consents of governmental agencies; (ii) the proposed amendment has been approved by a majority vote of the voting strength of such Participant's governing body; and (iii) such Participant has satisfied any other requirements applicable to its making contracts; or (B) a Participant shall be deemed to have given notice pursuant to the provisions of Section 7.2 hereof of its intent to withdraw from the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT: RESOLVED, that the Board approves the following:

(a) the Definitions set forth in Article I of the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

"Investment Consultant" means PMA Asset Management, LLC, or such other Person who shall be acceptable to the Governing Board.

"Marketing Agent" means PMA Securities LLC, or any other Person or Persons appointed or employed or contracted by the Governing Board pursuant to Sections 4.2 and 10.2 hereof.

"Services and Marketing Agreement" means any agreement entered into with respect to any of the Portfolios by the Governing Board with the Marketing Agent pursuant to this Agreement in connection with the execution of securities transactions and the delivery of securities.

(b) any other references in the Agreement to RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.), Inc. (RBC GAM-US) or RBC Capital Markets, LLC in the Agreement now be amended to read "PMA Asset Management, LLC" or "PMA Securities LLC."

RESOLVED, that (i) no other public hearing, necessary referenda or governmental consents are necessary for the Board to approve the amendment set forth above and there are no additional requirements of the Board in connection with such approval and (ii) the Board has satisfied

Approve NYLAF Resolution (Cont.)

all other requirements applicable to its making contracts in connection with its role as Participant.

RESOLVED, that adoption of this resolution by the Board and its certification by the Clerk shall serve as (i) evidence of the approval of the amendment by majority of the Board, (ii) the executed counterpart of the proposed amendment, and (iii) the certificate required by Section 13.1(c) of the Agreement, and shall constitute Participant approval of the amendment requested by the Governing Board, and

Auth. BOE Res. To Sign MoU w/ Warren Co. BOE

M. New Business - Authorize Board President to Sign Memorandum of Understanding with Warren County Board of Elections

1. that the Board of Education authorize the Board President to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Warren County Board of Elections for the District Vote and Election to be held on May 18, 2021 (Enc.), and

Auth. SOS to Sign Agrmnt. w/ Mt. Lake Services

N. New Business - Authorize Interim Superintendent to Sign Agreement with Mountain Lake Services

1. that the Board of Education authorize the Interim Superintendent of Schools to sign the Shared Services Agreement for Behavioral Services with Mountain Lake Services effective October 26, 2020 through June 25, 2021 (Enc.).

8 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Abstain Motion Carried

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

BOE Discussion

A. Board Discussion

1. Update - Superintendent of School Search
2. Board Committees

SOS Reports

B. Reports - Superintendent of Schools

1. Technology Report (Enc.)
2. Operations & Maintenance Department (Enc.)

Future Items

C. Future Items

1. Feb. 9, 2021 Regular Board of Education Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
2. Feb. 12, 2021 Early Dismissal - 1:20 p.m.(ES)(Parent Pick-up 12:50 p.m.), 1:30 p.m. (St. Mary's), 1:40 p.m. (JSHS)
3. Feb. 15 - 19 No School - Mid Winter Break
4. March 16, 2021 Budget Workshop & Regular Board of Education Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
5. March 30, 2021 Special Board of Education Meeting Regarding 2021-22 Budget - 6:00 p.m.
6. April 5 - 9 No School - Spring Break
7. April 20, 2021 Regular Board of Education Meeting & Hearing & Budget Adoption - 6:00 p.m.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Adjourn to Ex. Session 6:29 p.m.

A. Adjournment to Executive Session

1. It was moved by Mr. Leerkes, seconded by Mrs. Lenhart, that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session to discuss negotiations at 6:29 p.m.

8 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Abstain Motion Carried

Reconv. Reg.
Session
6:50 p.m.

2. It was moved by Mr. Leerkes, seconded by Mrs. Lenhart, that the Board of Education reconvene to Regular Session at 6:50 p.m.

8 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Abstain Motion Carried

IX. ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURN
6:52 p.m.

A. Adjournment from Regular Session

1. It was moved by Mrs. Cross-Baker, seconded by Mrs. Lenhart, that the Board of Education adjourn from Regular Session at 6:52 p.m.

8 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Abstain Motion Carried

Erin Hamel, District Clerk