

CATO-MERIDIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
Board Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2009

PRESENT: Michael Lees, President
 Jill Modafferi, Vice President
 Kathleen Bratt
 Paul Byrne
 Dean Cummins
 Scott Ford
 Todd Kacur

ALSO PRESENT: Noel Patterson, Superintendent
 Gwendolyn Marriam, District Clerk
 Crosby Lamont, Jr. – Assistant Superintendent for Business
 Robert Wren, Elementary Principal
 Sean Gleason, Middle School Principal
 Danielle Mahoney, High School Principal
 James Miller, H.S. Asst. Principal/Athletic Director/Director of Health and Physical Education
 Margaret Schlegel, Director of Pupil Personnel Services
 Staff Members
 Community Members

WHERE HELD: District Conference Room

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Lees at 6:35 pm.

Pledge to the flag.

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Byrne, the agenda was approved.

Agenda

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

Ray Wager presented External Audit

The following personnel items were approved:

Motion of Bratt, 2nd by Modafferi	Nicholas Magill	Substitute Teacher (non-certified)	\$75.00/day Eff. 12/16/09
Motion of Bratt, 2nd by Ford	Denis Tunguz	Substitute Teacher Aide	\$7.50/hr. Eff. 12/16/09
Motion of Modafferi, 2nd by Bratt	Joshua Baker	Recreation Center Leader (part-time)	\$8.50/hr. Eff. 10/19/09
Motion of Bratt, 2nd by Byrne	Trudy Cardinale	Head Bus Driver	Retirement – Eff. 12/31/09

Motion by Bratt, 2nd by Ford	Trudy Cardinale	Substitute Bus Driver	\$11.50/hr. eff. 1/1/10
Motion by Bratt, 2nd by Cummins	Joshua Woods	Part-Time Recreation Aide	\$7.25/hr. eff. 11/17/09
Motion by Bratt, 2nd by Byrne	Matt Tehonica Matt Chalanick Donna Cappellano Dennis St. Amour Michael Nichols Ryan Myers Ryan Brunelle Krista Kolodziejczyk Andrew Maloney	Varsity Softball Varsity Baseball Varsity Girls' Track Varsity Boys' Track Varsity Golf Modified Softball Modified Baseball Modified Girls' Track Modified Boys' Track	Step 3 - \$5183.00 Step 2 - 4630.00 Step 3 - 5183.00 Step 2 - 4630.00 Step 2 - 4630.00 Step 1 - 2482.00 Step 2 - 2780.00 Step 2 - 2780.00 Step 2 - 2780.00

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Kacur, the minutes of the board meeting held on November 16, 2009 were approved.

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Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Kacur, the CSE/CPSE Recommendations were approved.

CSE/CPSE Recommend.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Modafferi, seconded by Mrs. Bratt, emergency repair to the bus lift was approved..

Bus Lift

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Kacur, the amendment to the 403(b) retirement plan was approved.

403(b) Plan Amendment

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, the budget calendar was approved.

Budget Calendar

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Ford, the budget transfers were approved.

Budget Transfers

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Kacur, the treasurer's and revenue reports were approved.

Treasurer's/ Revenue Reports

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Kacur, the External Audit was approved.

External Audit

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Modafferi, seconded by Mr. Cummins the recommendation made by the audit committee to resolve to create a retirement contribution reserve fund (gen. mun. law-6-R) with \$40,000 of unappropriated fund balance for the purpose of financing retirement contributions made to the New York State and Local Employees Retirement System was approved..

Audit Comm. Recommend.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Modafferi, seconded by Mrs. Bratt, the recommendation made by the audit committee to abolish the liability reserve fund was approved. Audit Comm.
Recommend.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Modafferi, seconded by Mrs. Bratt, the recommendation made by the audit committee to move \$580,000 of unappropriated fund balance to the retirement contribution reserve was approved.. Audit Comm.
Recommend.
Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mrs. Bratt, seconded by Mr. Kacur, the board moved to executive session to discuss a personnel issue at 7:35 pm. Executive
Session
Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

The board left executive session at 9:40 pm Left Exec. Sess.

On motion of Mrs. Modafferi, seconded by Mrs. Bratt, a retroactive pay increase of 3% for the 2009-2010 school year for Trudy Cardinale was approved. Retro. Pay
Increase
Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Byrne, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 pm. Adjourn
Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining

Gwendolyn Marriam, District Clerk