

**CATO-MERIDIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**May 27, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Kathleen Bratt, President  
Michael Lees, Co Vice President  
Charles Ware, Co Vice President  
Dean Cummins, Board Member  
Jill Modafferi, Board Member

**ABSENT:** Heidi Dennison  
Rodney Pollock

**ALSO PRESENT:** Deborah Bobo, Superintendent  
Janice Lee, District Clerk  
Crosby Lamont, Jr., Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Dan Fay, Architect  
Todd Coleman and Nate Van Wie, C&S  
Students, Staff and Community Members

**WHERE HELD:** District Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Bratt.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the board entered executive session at 6:31 pm to discuss a personnel matter. Exec. Session  
Voting Yes: 5      Voting No:      Abstain:

The board moved from executive session at 6:34 pm.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the agenda was approved. Agenda  
Voting Yes: 5      Voting No:      Abstain:

Mr. Fay, Mr. Coleman and Mr. Van Wie discussed the excel project. Excel Prj.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, authorization was granted for the installation of the floor tiles as presented.  
Voting Yes: 4      Voting No: 1-Cummins      Abstain:

Mr. Bovee discussed Sports Boosters plans. Sports Boosters

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, approval was granted to the Sports Boosters to erect 4 dugouts and 3 sheds on school property. Liability insurance to be verified.  
Voting Yes: 5      Voting No:      Abstain:

The following personnel items were approved.:

<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	Christine Van Wie	Custodian (currently cleaner)	\$23,000 + 6% night differential
<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	Ira Newkirk Donna Haskell	Cleaners (currently subs)	\$10.10/hr. + 6% night differential
<b>Motion of Lees, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ware</b>	Austin Crowell Christopher Kipp Eugene Meyle Jr. Rhonda Vargason	Jack Hughes Jessica Marino Trevor Rohlin	Volunteers N/A
<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	CJ Hannon Eric Vollmer Greg Keener Matt Tehonica Ryan Asmus Krista Kolodziejczyk Jennifer Crook Nicole Lewis Kristin Sommers Jennifer Musso Andrew Maloney Donna Cappellano Dennis St. Amour Larry Kristeller Wendy Stutor	Head V. football Asst. football Head mod football Asst. mod. football Asst mod. football Head V. girls soccer Head mod. girls soccer Head V. field hockey Head JV field hockey Head mod field hockey Head boys V cross country Head girls cross country Head boys V. soccer Head boys mod soccer Cheerleading advisor	Step 3 6,040 Step 2 4,202 Step 2 3,077 Step 1 2,288 Step 1 2,288 Step 2 4,495 Step 1 2,410 Step 1 4,011 Step 1 3,126 Step 2 2,699 Step 1 3,397 Step 3 4,257 Step 2 4,495 Step 1 2,410 N/A 2,137
<b>Motion of Lees, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ware</b>	Susan Stoddard Dawn Sessler	Sub teacher aide Sub teacher	\$7.50/hr – Eff. 5/28/08 \$75.00/day Eff. 5/28/08
<b>Motion of Lees, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ware</b>	Lois Terino Grey	Rec Center Aide P/T	\$7.25/hr. Eff. 5/28/08
<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	Gerald Hares	Retirement	Eff. 7/1/08
<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	Dennis Taylor	Leave of absence for the 2008-2009 school year	Accepted a position at BOCES
<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	Danielle Mahoney	HS Principal	\$85,000 eff. 7/1/08-7/1/11
<b>Motion of Ware, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lees</b>	Heidi Dennison	Resign as board member	Eff. 5/2708

Voting Yes: 5      Voting No:      Abstain:

RESOLVED, the Cato-Meridian Board of Education of the Cato-Meridian Central School District, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of Deborah Bobo, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Danielle Mahoney who holds NYS Certification, to the provisional position of High School Principal to be effective July 1, 2008 and to expire on July 1, 2011; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Danielle Mahoney be paid at the annual salary of \$85,000 for the 2008-09 school year.

Mahoney

Yes 5      No 0      Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the minutes of the meeting held on April 28 were approved.

Minutes

Yes 5      No 0      Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the minutes of the meeting held on May 21, 2008 were approved.

Yes 5      No 0      Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Lees, seconded by Mr. Ware the following resolution was adopted:

Budget Resolution

Whereas, the Clerk of the Board of Education of the Cato-Meridian Central School District, has examined and tabulated the results of the Annual School Election held May 20, 2008, and, Whereas, the Clerk of the Board of Education has determined the number of votes cast to be as follows:

<b>Paul Byrne</b>		<b>337</b>
<b>Budget</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>259</b>
	<b>No</b>	<b>202</b>
<b>Transportation:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>279</b>
	<b>No</b>	<b>168</b>

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Cato-Meridian Central School District, hereby certifies that Paul Byrne is elected as a member of the Board of Education for a period of three years beginning July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011.

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby certifies that the **2008-2009** General Fund appropriations in the amount of **\$18,259,804**, has been approved.

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby certifies that the proposition has been approved to purchase three school buses; resolved that the Board of Education of the Cato-Meridian Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of 3 school buses, at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$227,000, less trade-in value, if any, and that such sum or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be partially offset by state aid available therefore; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum aggregate cost shall be issued, or the school district may enter into an installment purchase contract if the Board of Education determines that it is in the best interest of the school district to finance the purchase in that method.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees the treasurer and revenue reports were accepted.

Treas./Rev.

Yes 4 No 0 Abstaining (Mr. Cummins stepped out of the meeting)

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the budget transfers were approved as presented.

Bud. Trans.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining (Mr. Cummins returned to the meeting)

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the CSEA contract was approved.

CSEA

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, transportation of Jacob Kraebel to Word of Life Christian Academy in Baldwinsville for the 2008-09 school year and the senior trip to Lake George June 6-7, 2008.

Trans.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the board entered executive session at 7:33 pm to discuss contractual and personnel issues.

Exec. Session

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining

The board moved from executive session at 9:27 pm.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm.

Adjourn

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining

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Janice Lee, District Clerk