

**CATO-MERIDIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**April 26, 2006**

**PRESENT:** Kathleen Bratt, President  
Charles Ware, Vice President  
Dean Cummins  
Heidi Dennison  
Roxanne Miller

**ALSO PRESENT:** Deborah Bobo, Superintendent  
Janice Lee, District Clerk  
Crosby Lamont, Jr. – Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Ann Marie Dillon, Elementary Principal  
Sean Gleason, Middle School Principal  
Lou Chistolini, Assistant High School Principal  
Margaret Schlegel, Director of Pupil Personnel Services  
Staff Members  
Community Members

**WHERE HELD:** District Conference Room

The meeting was called to order by President Kathleen Bratt at 6:00 pm.

Pledge to the flag.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Miller, the agenda was approved.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

Members of the audience asked that public comment be allowed at this time. Community members discussed the elementary principal's pending tenure appointment. The board was asked to reconsider awarding the tenure.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Cummins, the board entered executive session at 6:30 pm to discuss the medical, financial credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Exec. Session

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

The board moved from executive session at 6:45 pm.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the leave of absence of Pamela Murabito effective September 1 through October 23, 2006 with health benefits for the months of September 2006, and October, 2006 and retirement effective October 24, 2006 was approved. Murabito Retire  
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mrs. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, A Juul agreement for Ann Marie Dillon, which will extend Ann Marie Dillon's probationary appointment as elementary principal for one additional year to July 1, 2007 was approved. Juul Agreement  
Yes 4 No 1-Ware Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the administrative budget of the Cayuga-Onondaga Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services in the amount of \$1,202,549 for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2006 and ending on June 30,2007 was approved. BOCES Budget  
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Ware, one vote was cast for each of the following board members: Timothy Filkins, Thomas Gunderson and Russell Riddell for the BOCES Board of Cooperative Education Services. BOCES Board  
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Cummins, the donation of the old softball backstop to CIMARF was approved. Donation  
Yes 4 No 0 Abstaining 1-Miller

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Dennison, the following resolution was approved: Bus Resolution

SHALL the Board of Education of the Cato-Meridian Central School District be authorized and directed to purchase three (3) school buses; one with a capacity to accommodate at least sixty passengers (60); one to accommodate at least sixty five (65) passengers; and one wheel chair bus with a capacity to accommodate at least twenty four (24) passengers, and to expend therefore a sum not exceeding two hundred nine thousand seven hundred eighty six dollars (\$209,786) or as much thereof as may be necessary, which shall be raised by tax on the taxable property of the school district to be collected in annual installments, not to exceed five (5) years, and to issue obligations of the district thereof in accordance with the Education Law and the Local Finance Law.  
Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mrs. Dennison, seconded by Mrs. Miller, the board entered executive session at 7:00 pm to discuss the medical, financial credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or Exec. Session

matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

The board moved from executive session at 8:40 pm.

The board discussed the budget presentation: The first two slides were the responsibility of the Board of Education. The schedule of board member attendance at the budget presentations were discussed. There was also discussion of the election process.

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Ware, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Yes 5 No 0 Abstaining 0

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Janice Lee, District Clerk