

CATO-MERIDIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
Board Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2006

PRESENT: Kathleen Bratt, President
Michael Lees, Co-President
Charles Ware, Co-President
Dean Cummins
Heidi Dennison
Jill Modafferi
Rodney Pollock

ALSO PRESENT: Deborah Bobo, Superintendent
Janice Lee, District Clerk
Crosby Lamont, Jr. – Assistant Superintendent for Business
Dan Fay, Architect
Staff Members
Community Members

WHERE HELD: District Conference Room

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

Pledge to the flag

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, the agenda was approved as amended.

Agenda

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

Dan Fay updated the board on the capital project.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, the following personnel items were approved:

Michael Burns	Administrative Intern	\$20,000 eff. 9/1/06
Karen Sanderson	Grade 8 Math	\$43,698 (2 B+30+M) eff. 9/1/06
Margaret Wickman	English (Kern Maternity)	\$46,201 (1 B+66 +M) eff. 9/1/06
Kristin Falcicchio	.5 M.S. Home/Careers	\$21,624 (1 B+30 + M eff. 9/1/06
Kim Faust	V. Field Hockey Coach	Resignation - eff. immediately
Elizabeth Templar Mandi Tice	Substitute Teachers	\$75.00/day eff. 9/1/06
Jennifer Dalziel	Recreation Director	\$30,000 eff. 9/5/06

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 Michael Burns, who holds provisional pending NYS Certification in the tenure area of CAS, for the 2006-07 school to commence on September 1, 2006 and to expire on June 30, 2007, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michael Burns shall be paid at a salary of \$20,000.

Burns

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 Karen Sanderson who holds permanent NYS Certification in Math 7-12, in the tenure area of math 7-12, for a probationary period of three (3) years, to commence on September 1, 2006 and to expire on September 1, 2009, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Karen Sanderson during her first year of appointment shall be paid at the annual salary of \$43,648/ step 2 B+30+M for 10 months.

Sanderson

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 Margaret Wickman who holds provisional NYS Certification in English 7-12, in the tenure area of English 7-12, for a probationary period of three (3) years, to commence on September 1, 2006 and to expire on September 1, 2009, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Margaret Wickman during her first year of appointment shall be paid at the annual salary of \$46,201/ step 1 B+66+M for 10 months.

Wickman

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 Kristin Falcicchio who will hold provisional NYS Certification in Family and Consumer Science, (pending passing the content test) in the tenure area of Family and Consumer Science, to the position of .5 home & career instructor in the middle school to commence on September 1, 2006 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Kristin Falcicchio during her first year of appointment shall be paid at the annual salary of \$21,624/ step 1 B+30+M for 10 months.

Falcicchio

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the following appointments were approved:

Deanna Evans	Teacher Aide	7.25/7.5 hr./day eff. 9/1/06
Matthew Wilmot	Teacher Assistant	7.88/6.5 hr./day eff. 9/1/06

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Lees, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, if the Athletic Director is willing to coach varsity field hockey, she is free to do so with the appropriate salary.

Yes 6 No 1-Ware Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Lees, seconded by Mr. Pollock, the minutes of the meeting held on July 24, 2006 were approved.

Minutes

Yes 6 No 0 Abstaining 1-Ware

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees the following bills were approved:

Bills

SN 9	5,345.50
SN 10	162,789.16
SN 11	55,724.88
SN 12	3,637.21
SN 13	22,889.91
SN15	106,695.55
SN 16	682.48

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the budget transfers were approved for the end of the 2005-06 school year.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mrs. Modafferi, seconded by Mr. Pollock, the school lunch contract extension was approved at a 4.8% increase; and school lunch prices were approved as follows: Breakfast from \$1.00 to \$1.25; lunch from \$1.25 to \$1.50; milk from 50¢ to 55¢; ice cream from 55¢ to 60¢.

School Lunch

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Pollock, approval was granted to excess unused school property.

Excess School Property

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

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

School Property

WHEREAS, the Cato-Meridian Central School District (the "District") owns real property in the Town of Ira on New York state Route 370, adjacent to the Pine Hill Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the owner of Pine Hill Medical center seeks to donate certain land to the District which adjoins District land and is now used by athletic teams;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the District Board hereby accepts the gift of real property as set forth in a map attached to and made in part of this resolution as exhibit A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes its President to execute such documents.

This resolution shall be effective immediately.

The resolution was thereafter voted upon and there were 7 in favor of the resolution and 0 opposed the resolution.

The resolution was thereafter duly declared adopted.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

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

WHEREAS, the Cato-Meridian Central School District (the "District") has been centralized since in or about 1940;

WHEREAS, the District purchased certain real property for the construction of school buildings, within the Town of Ira on New York state Route 370, adjoining real property used as the Pine Hill Medical Center;

WHEREAS, the Pine Hill Medical center seeks to expand its medical facility, in part by construction of driveway on the northeast side of its real property and upon the lands of the District, as set forth on a boundary survey map, which is attached to and made a part of this Resolution as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the "Board") deems this property to be on no use or value to the educational needs of the District;

WHEREAS, owners of the Pine Hill Medical center seek to purchase approximately 0.154 acres as set forth in Exhibit A to accommodate the construction of the driveway, for the fair and reasonable price to two hundred fifty dollars; and

WHEREAS, the District Board has the authority to sell such real property.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the District Board hereby sells, in fee simple, a certain piece of real property owned by it to Michelle Morris for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes its President to execute such documents as may be necessary to accomplish this purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the proceeds derived from such sale shall be applied to the general fund of the District.

This resolution shall be effective immediately.

The resolution was thereafter voted upon and there were 7 in favor of the resolution and 0 opposed the resolution

The resolution was thereafter duly declared adopted.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Pollock, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, a donation of \$755 was accepted from the Sports Boosters to be used for equipment the high schoolweight room.

Donation-Booster Club

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

A proposal creation of a Governance Committee was discussed. It will be discussed further at the August 28th meeting.

Governance Comm.

Board of Education goals for the 2006-07 school year were discussed. Each board member will bring 2 measurable goals to the meeting on August 28th.

Board Goals

Surveillance cameras for the middle and high schools were discussed.

On motion of Mr. Ware, seconded by Mr. Lees, the tax levy was approved as presented with copies appended to these minutes.

Tax Levy

Yes 4 No 3-Bratt, Cummins, Modafferi Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mrs. Modafferi, the bushes in the foyer entrance and sidewalk bushes will be removed.

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

On motion of Mr. Lees. seconded by Mr. Ware, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Adjourn

Yes 7 No 0 Abstaining 0

Janice Lee, District Clerk