

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Madison Central School was held on September 21, 2021 at 6:30 pm in the auditorium.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Laura Billings
Mrs. Jessica Clark
Mr. Mike Filipovich
Mrs. Jennifer Lavoie
Mrs. Brittany Rizzo
Mr. Jona Snyder
Ms. Jennah Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Jason Mitchell, Superintendent
Mrs. LeeAnn Cucci, Elementary Principal
Mr. Larry Nichols, MS/HS Principal
Mr. Brian Latella, Director of Curriculum
Mrs. Melanie Brouillette, Treasurer
Ms. Tracey Lewis, District Clerk

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Mrs. Lavoie, president, called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.
- II. Agenda Additions
- III. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Agenda for This Meeting

MOTION # 1 - APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mrs. Billings, the Board moved to approve the agenda for this meeting. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- b. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. August 30, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION # 2 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the Board moved to approve the minutes from the August 30, 2021 Special Meeting. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- IV. Public Forum
 - a. None
- V. Presentation
 - a. Mr. Hill did a presentation on the success and adventures of the Summer LEAP Program with assistance from Mrs. Millson.

VI. Reports

a. Treasurer

1. Internal Claims Auditor's Report - updated 9/17/21

MOTION # 3 - APPROVAL OF INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDITOR'S REPORT

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the Board moved to approve the Internal Claims Auditor's Report. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

2. Treasurer's Report dated July 31, 2021
3. Treasurer's Report dated August 31, 2021

MOTION # 4 - APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORTS

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mrs. Rizzo, the Board moved to approve the July 31, 2021 and the August 31, 2021 Treasurer's Reports. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

4. Detail Warrants

MOTION # 5 - APPROVAL OF DETAIL WARRANTS

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the Board moved to approve the Detail Warrants as follow: Warrant Number 5 - Fund A - 8/6/21 - 3 pages, Warrant Number 6 - Fund A - 9/13/21 - 1 page, Warrant Number 7 - Fund A - 8/20/21 - 4 pages, Warrant Number 1 - Fund C - 8/6/21 - 1 page, Warrant Number 3 - Fund C - 9/13/21 - 1 page, Warrant Number 4 - Fund C - 8/20/21 - 1 page, Warrant Number 2 - Fund TA - 9/13/21 - 2 pages, Warrant Number 2 - Fund FA21 - 8/6/21 - 1 page, Warrant Number 3 - Fund FA21 - 8/20/21 - 1 page, Warrant Number 4 - Fund FA21 - 9/13/21 - 1 page. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

5. The Financial Status Report was shared.

b. Superintendent – Information Items

1. The notice of the SBI workshop for September 23, 2021 entitled "COVID 19 Federal Funding: Challenges and Opportunities was shared.
2. The notice that the Madison Oneida BOCES will be filling the Board vacancy by appointment for Hamilton Central School due to resignation of the current representative was shared.
3. Mr. Mitchell discussed the COVID-19 Screen testing process. All unvaccinated employees will be required to test starting September 30, 2021. At this time there are also approximately 40 students interested in participating in the weekly testing as well. The testing is a "pool test" consisting of 12 samples. If that pool comes back negative, those participants in that pool are considered negative. If the pool comes back positive, individual testing will be done on those 12 samples within that pool to determine which sample is positive and necessary notification, tracing and quarantining will be done for that individual.
4. MCS will hold another volunteer work day for the Discovery Trail on Saturday, September 25, 2021. The District would love to see as many student volunteers and community volunteers as possible.
5. The FFA would like consideration to attend the FFA National Convention in Indianapolis, IN from October 26 through November 2, 2021. Mr. Mitchell discussed his concerns, related to COVID-19 protocols, with the Board at this time.

- c. Superintendent – Approval Items
 - 1. FFA Trip to FFA National Convention

MOTION # 6 - APPROVAL OF FFA TRIP WITH CONTINGENCIES

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mrs. Turner, the Board moved to approve Mr. Mitchell to make the final approval for the participation in the FFA National Convention overnight trip from October 26 through November 2, 2021, specifically pending the availability of enough hotel rooms to allow only 2 students per room in light of the COVID-19 situation now and at the time of the trip. Other requirements may be placed in effect by the Superintendent for final approval. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 2. DCIP - District Comprehensive Improvement Plan
- 3. SCEP - School Comprehensive Education Plan

MOTION # 7 - APPROVAL OF THE DCIP AND THE SCEP

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Billings, seconded by Mrs. Rizzo, the Board moved to approve the DCIP (District Comprehensive Improvement Plan) and the SCEP (School Comprehensive Education Plan). Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 4. Approval of LEAD evaluators

MOTION # 8 - APPROVAL OF LEAD EVALUATORS

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mrs. Billings, the Board moved to approve Jason Mitchell, Brian Latella, Larry Nichols and LeeAnn Cucci as LEAD Evaluators. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 5. Approval of Non Resident Student for 2021-22
 - a. Student entering grade 3

MOTION # 9 - APPROVAL OF NON RESIDENT STUDENT

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mrs. Billings, the Board moved to approve the Non-Resident Student application for a student entering grade 3 for the 2021-22 school year. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 6. Approval to surplus a Vision Tester

MOTION # 10 - APPROVAL TO SURPLUS VISION TESTER

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Rizzo, seconded by Mrs. Turner, the Board moved to approve the surplus of a vision tester. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 7. Approval to surplus books as per list

MOTION # 11 - APPROVAL TO SURPLUS BOOKS

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mrs. Billings, the Board moved to approve the surplus of books as per list. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 8. Approval to surplus library books as per list

MOTION # 12 - APPROVAL TO SURPLUS LIBRARY BOOKS

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mrs. Turner, the Board moved to approve the surplus of Library Books as per list. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- 9. Approval of tax adjustment for Tax Map #114.19-1-21

MOTION # 13 - APPROVAL OF TAX ADJUSTMENT

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Rizzo, seconded by Mrs. Turner, the Board moved to approve the tax adjustment for tax map # 114.19-1-21. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

10. Approval of creation of Temporary One Year School Nurse position for the 2021-22 school year

MOTION # 14 - APPROVAL OF CREATION OF TEMPORARY ONE YEAR SCHOOL NURSE POSITION

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the Board moved to approve the creation of a temporary one year School Nurse position. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. The Policy Committee met and the recommendations are in the Policy section of this agenda.
 - b. Mr. Mitchell will begin meetings soon for the Negotiations Committee for the negotiation of the upcoming MTA Contract.
 - c. Mr. Mitchell indicated that when the Building Condition Survey is completed that the Buildings and Grounds Committee will also begin meeting.
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. None
- IX. Policy
 - a. The first reading of Policy # 2300 entitled "Regular Board Meetings" was done at this time.
 - b. The first reading of Policy #2400 entitled "Formulation, Adoption and Dissemination of Policy" was done at this time.
 - c. Notice was given of the Superintendent's approval to changes to Regulation #2301.1 entitled "Board Agenda Guidelines".
- X. Board of Education Discussion Items
 - a. None
- XI. New Business
 - a. Personnel
 1. Appointments

MOTION # 15 - APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mrs. Turner, the Board moved to approve the following list of appointments:

- a. Michael Barnes - Long Term Substitute for grades 7-12 Mathematics from approximately September 27, 2021 through June 30, 2021
- b. Jody McKane - Full Time Nurse for One Year position for the 2021-22 school year effective September 20, 2021 prorated as per contract
- c. Mary Witkowski - Certified Substitute Teacher effective September 7, 2021
- d. Kayla Collins - Non Certified Substitute Teacher effective September 20, 2021
- e. Robert Magee - School Psychologist for the 2021-22 school year at \$325 per day not to exceed 80 days per academic year
- f. Jennifer Sprinkle - Non Certified Substitute Teacher effective September 21, 2021

Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

2. Advisor Appointments for 2021-22

MOTION # 16 - APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ADVISORS FOR 2021-22

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Filipovich, the Board moved to approve the following additional advisors for the 2021-22 school year:

- a. Class of 2025 - Jennifer Neidhart
- b. Class of 2025 - Darcy Schenk
- c. Class of 2023 - Amanda Barton

Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

3. Retirement

- a. Duane Willsey - Elementary Education Teacher effective June 30, 2021

MOTION # 17 - ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Clark, seconded by Mrs. Billings, the Board moved to accept the Retirement of Duane Willsey as an Elementary Education Teacher effective June 30, 2021, with thanks . Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

4. Mentor Appointments

MOTION # 18 - APPROVAL OF MENTOR APPOINTMENTS

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Rizzo, seconded by Mrs. Billings, the Board moved to approve the following list of Mentors for the 2021-22 school year:

- a. Jessica Mortensen for Corey Zlatniski with a stipend of \$100
- b. Bridget Idzi for Cassie Head with a stipend of \$500
- c. Courtney Heim for Kimberly Johnson with a stipend of \$100
- d. Melissa Nelson for Kelly Diehl with a stipend of \$500
- e. Brian Latella for LeeAnn Cucci with no stipend
- f. Lindsay Murphy for Jennifer Buckley with a stipend of \$500
- g. Jon Silkowski for Amanda Rossi with a stipend of \$500
- h. Amanda Hinman for Amber O'Neil with a stipend of \$500
- i. Tina Bergeron for Allison Leone with a stipend of \$500

Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

5. Tenure as per Resolution

- a. Lindsay Murphy effective October 7, 2021

MOTION # 19 - APPROVAL OF TENURE

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Clark, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the Board moved to approve the tenure of Lindsay Murphy as per Resolution effective October 7, 2021. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

- b. CSE/CPSE Recommendations – in official packet

MOTION # 20 - APPROVAL OF CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Clark, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the Board moved to approve the CSE/CPSE Recommendations as found in the official packet. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

c. Principal / Director Reports

1. Mrs. Cucci, Elementary Principal, spoke about the large attendance at her “Popsicles with the Principal” event and the request to do that again and the success of the Open House. She also spoke about making several changes to the schedules and she believes most of the little glitches have been resolved. She spoke about the “Color Days” and thanked everyone for participating as it not only teaches students their colors, but also increases unity. She thanked Lincoln Davies for the generous donation of tickets to every student in grades PreK-5 to their fall festival and the CreekSide for the donations of hundreds of school supplies. Mrs. Cucci explained that the fall assessments are going on now, but we have a lack of substitutes which has slowed down progress slightly. Lastly she informed the Board that two fire drills have already taken place and the Bus Safety presentation for grades PreK-2 will be next Monday.
2. Mr. Nichols expressed great praise to Mrs. Cucci for all her hard work and job well done acclimating herself to this new position. He said that the Open House was very well attended and he was happy to see so many kids bringing in their supplies and getting their lockers figured out before the first day of school. The students all seem to be very happy to be back in school full time. The Learning Club has started up again on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-4 pm with a snack provided from the cafeteria for all those that stay each night. Lastly, he spoke about the progress made with ESports. The goal is to offer more to the student body, engaging those students who may not have interest in the current offerings and not to take away from the in person athletics. It is a project in the works, but making progress.
3. Mr. Latella shared information about the August 30th new teacher orientation day, including the bus trip touring the District with Jim Ford acting as local historian and tour guide and Jona Snyder providing the bus driving. He also discussed the SCEP plan and the large amounts of professional development being offered to the staff. Mr. Latella shared that much studying of data is going on to improve teaching and engagement of students into learning. He applauded Mr. Silkowski for a job well done when announcing all the new staff and thanked the staff for participating in the reading initiative. Mr. Latella also spoke at length about all the new Special Education Teachers coordinating all the needs of the student IEPs as well as the shortage of substitute teachers. Lastly he talked about how the teaching staff is discovering that the students are socially and emotionally behind due to the amount of time they were learning remotely last year and that the staff is working hard at getting the students back on track.

XII. Correspondence
a. None

XIII. Question & Answer Opportunity
a. None

XIV. Adjournment

MOTION # 21 - ADJOURNMENT

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Filipovich, the Board moved to adjourn for the evening at 7:24 pm. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.