

MORRIS CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date of Meeting: February 15 2018

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Board Members Present: Margaret Caezza, Wendy Moore, Mary Dugan, Emily Boss, Russell Tilley

Others Present: Matthew Sheldon, Superintendent; Katharine Smith, Principal; Staff Members Michael Iannelli, Patrick Harmer; Students Matthew Myers, Kaleigh Spencer, Brian Page, William Ranc; Community Member Elaine Ranc

The meeting was called to order by President Margaret Caezza at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 18, 2018 was approved as presented on the motion of Russell Tilley, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 5-0.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Matthew Sheldon said the Drama Club play was very good and the students did a great job.

Katharine Smith congratulated the girls' varsity basketball team for their Tri-Valley Championship. She said our fans showed excellent sportsmanship. Mary Dugan said she heard positive comments about our principal and superintendent attending the championship game at SUCCO.

Superintendent's Reports:

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the March School Board Institute meeting.

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the first draft of the Administrative part of the 2018-2019 Budget. BOCES special education is up over \$200,000, medical/dental cost is up, Share Business Office has increased, BOCES Administrative cost is up, etc. We are still not sure about how much revenue from State aid we will be receiving for next year.

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the sports teams practicing on Sunday. Mr. Sheldon felt that Sunday was for spending time with the family and doing their homework. He didn't feel that they should be practicing on Sunday. Mr. Sheldon said if there is open gym and a coach is there it becomes a practice. The Board discussed the issue and the consensus of the Board was that sports teams should not be practicing on Sundays except on very rare occasions.

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the 2018-2019 School Calendar. Mr. Sheldon said there are two conference days before Labor Day and Graduation will be June 28, 2019, because of the Regents schedule.

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the New York Liquid Asset Fund. Money can be invested at a higher rate. Four districts in our BOCES are a part of NYLAF. It has a Triple A rating. We had an issue last summer because of a cash shortage that we had to break a CD. With NYLAF there is no charge to withdraw funds.

Principal's Reports:

Katharine Smith talked to the Board about the January Regents results and Academic Achievement. Two of the five juniors that took the Global Regents passed. One senior took the Algebra II Regents and passed, they will now receive an Advanced Regents diploma. 72 of 152 (50%) students were on an academic achievement list for the second quarter. 43 of 152 (28%) students were not passing one or more classes.

Katharine Smith talked to the Board about the scheduling of classes for the 2018-2019 school year. Kelly Catella is meeting with the 7-12 teachers to discuss possible electives, new college courses, and schedule adjustments that might be needed.

Katharine Smith talked to the Board about the 2013 Cohort Graduation Rate. Our June 2017 Graduation Rate was 85% (33 of 39 students). 2016 Graduation Rate was 72%. In 2017, 38% of the graduates earned an Advanced Regents diploma, 38% earned a Regents diploma and 8% earned local diplomas. There was one Non-Diploma Credential issued. Four students were still enrolled as of June 2017. One student graduated in August, one is enrolled at Pathfinder and one is enrolled at BOCES. There was one dropout. The student left at the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year and never re-enrolled in a new school.

Katharine Smith talked to the Board about upcoming events. Winter Break is Feb. 19 through 23. Sections Games are boys at home 2/20, girls away on 2/21. Spanish Honor Society Induction is on Feb. 28 at 2:15. All-County is March 1 and 3. Varsity Spring Sports start on March 5 and Modified starts on March 19. Student Council 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament is on March 10.

Be It Resolved upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approve the following:

The following business items 1 through 9 were approved as presented on the motion of Mary Dugan, seconded by Emily Boss, and carried 5-0:

1. Approval of Warrants #42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, and 49, as presented.
2. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2017, as presented.
3. Approval of the Central Treasurer's Reports for the month of January 2018, as presented.
4. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the Bus Bond Resolution as follows:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 15, 2018 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL BUSES, AUTHORIZING BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN CONTEMPLATION THEREOF, THE LEVY OF TAXES IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, as attached. (See Attachment #1)

5. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the following BOCES Administrative Budget/Board Election resolution as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District does hereby authorized the Superintendent on April 16, 2018 to cast one vote on the Otsego Northern Catskills BOCES Administrative Budget as presented for the 2018-2019 school year and cast three votes for the BOCES Board of Education members.

6. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the following election officials for the Certified Bus Vote held on February 8, 2018:

Barbara Virgil, Maureen Joy, Lois Jones, Lisa Galbreth, Lucy Holcombe, Doris Bourgeois; Chief Election Officials Norma Boyd and Carol Tyson

7. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the Certified Bus Vote held on February 8, 2018, as follows:

Yes: 72 No: 10 Blank: 1 Total: 83

8. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the 2018-2019 School Calendar, as presented.

9. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the attached NYLAF Resolution to Join the Fund, as attached. (See Attachment #2)

The following personnel items 1 through 10 were approved as presented on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Russell Tilley, and carried 5-0:

1. Approval of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Kim Wilson as a Pre-K teacher, effective June 30, 2018.
2. Approval of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Lee Sperling as an art teacher, effective June 30, 2018.
3. Approval of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Douglas Ernst as a music teacher effective February 7, 2019. Mr. Ernst's last day of work is February 7, 2019 and his first day of retirement is February 8, 2019.
4. Approval of the following spring coaches for 2018:
 - Varsity Baseball – Patrick Harmer with a stipend of \$3,287
 - Modified Baseball – Michael Gregg with a stipend of \$1,703
 - Varsity Track – Brittney Gregg with a stipend of \$2,875
 - Modified Track – Dana Sheldon with a stipend of \$1,412
 - Color Guard Advisor – Caty Wetherbee with a stipend of \$922
 - Varsity Softball – TBD
 - Modified Softball – TBD
5. Approval of David Hand as a substitute food service worker for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.
6. Approval of Morghen Axtell as a substitute teacher (NC) for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.
7. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves Girls on the Run advisors, Alyssa Plows and Erika Anderson starting on March 13, 2018 through approximately June 4, 2018.
8. Approval of Khalil Carney as an unpaid volunteer to give guitar lessons in Julene Waffle's room on Monday's starting February 28 through June 11, 2018. Volunteers are never allowed to be alone with the students.
9. Approval of giving Carlena Johnson a \$500 stipend to provide support to Dana Sheldon for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.
10. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, and on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Russell Tilley, the following probationary appointment is hereby made:

a) Name of Appointee:	Carlena Johnson
b) Tenure Area:	Secondary Science
c) Date of Commencement of Probationary Service:	August 29, 2018
d) Expiration Date of Appointment:*	August 29, 2022
e) Certification Status:	Biology 7-12, Conditional Initial (1 Year) exp. 1/31/19
f) Salary:	\$40,104

*To the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law §§2509, 2573, 3212 and 3014, in order to be granted tenure the classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years. If the classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. For purposes of this subdivision, *classroom teacher* and *building principal* mean a classroom teacher or building principal as such terms are defined in Sections 30-2.2 and 30-3.2 of this Part.

The following Administrative was approved on the motion of Russell Tilley, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 5-0:

1. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the updated Concussion Protocols as presented.

Public Comment: Pat Harmer said his baseball team usually has games on Friday and Monday. He feels the players need two days off. Mr. Harmer said he has only had one practice on a Sunday in nine years.

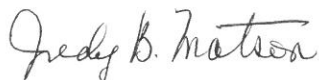
The Board went into executive session at 7:12 p.m. to discuss the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation, and CSE on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Russell Tilley, and carried 5-0.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:05 p.m. on the motion of Russell Tilley, seconded by Mary Dugan, and carried 5-0.

On the motion of Mary Dugan, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 5-0, the IEP's of the specified CSE students' plans #3001 was approved as presented. Students' Individual Education Plans (IEP) was viewed online, in executive session, on an as needed basis.

The Board adjourned at 8:06 p.m. without further discussion on the motion Wendy Moore, seconded by Emily Boss, and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy B. Matson
District Clerk

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
MORRIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ADOPTING BOND RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District, New York, held at the District Offices in Morris, New York, on the 15th day of February, 2018:

PRESENT: Margaret Caezza, Wendy Moore, Mary Dugan, Emily Boss,
Russell Tilley

ABSENT: None

Mary Dugan presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted and was seconded by **Emily Boss**:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 15, 2018 OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRIS CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING GENERAL
OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION
OF SCHOOL BUSES, AUTHORIZING BOND
ANTICIPATION NOTES IN CONTEMPLATION THEREOF,
THE LEVY OF TAXES IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN
PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH
SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING
OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Morris Central School District, New York, at a special meeting of such voters duly held on February 8, 2018, duly approved a proposition authorizing the levy of taxes to be collected in installments, in the manner provided by the Education Law, for the specific objects or purposes hereinafter described; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Morris Central School District has undertaken or shall undertake certain capital expenditures, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof.

Section 2. The Morris Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its General Obligation Serial Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$150,460, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the specific object or purpose described herein.

Section 3. The specific object or purpose to be financed pursuant to this resolution (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is the acquisition of one 65-passenger propane school bus and one school car.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum aggregate cost of said purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$150,460, and such amount is hereby appropriated therefor, (b) the Morris Central School District plans to finance the cost of said purpose entirely from funds raised by the issuance of said Bonds and the Bond Anticipation Notes hereinafter referred to, and (c) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 29 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is five (5) years.

Section 6. The Morris Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its Bond Anticipation Notes in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$150,460, and is hereby authorized to issue renewals thereof, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York in order to finance the purpose in anticipation of the issuance of the above described Bonds.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) there are presently no outstanding Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipating of the sale of said Bonds, (b) the Bond Anticipation Notes authorized hereby are not issued in anticipation for Bonds for an assessable improvement.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the Morris Central School District reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the obligations authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of issuance of such obligations. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 9. The faith and credit of the Morris Central School District, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes as the same respectively become due and payable. And annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all taxable real property of said School District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 10. The power to further authorize the issuance of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Local Finance Law of New York, including without limitation, the consolidation with other issues, the determination to issue Bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, whether to authorize the receipt of bids in an electronic format, and to sell and deliver said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education or to the Vice President of the Board in the event of the absence or unavailability of the President. The President of the Board of Education and the District Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature any Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes the corporate seal of the School District and to attest the same.

Section 11. This resolution, or a summary hereof, shall be published in full by the District Clerk of the School District together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the School District. The validity of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly put to a vote as follows:

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STATE OF NEW YORK }
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COUNTY OF OTSEGO } ss:

I, the undersigned clerk of the Morris Central School District, DO HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District, State of New York, was held on February 15, 2018, and Minutes of said meeting have been duly recorded in the Minute Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the minutes of meetings of said Board.

2. I have compared the attached Extract with said Minutes so recorded and said Extract is a true copy of said Minutes and of the whole thereof insofar as said Minutes relate to matters referred to in said Extract.

3. Said Minutes correctly state the time and place when said Meeting was convened and the place where such meeting was held and the members of said Board who attended said Meeting.

4. Public Notice of the time and place of said Meeting was duly posted and duly given to the public and the news media in accordance with the Open Meetings Law, constituting Chapter 511 of the Laws of 1976 of the State of New York, and that all members of said Board had due notice of said Meetings and that the Meeting was in all respects duly held and a quorum was present and acted throughout.

5. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have hereunto affixed the corporate seal of the Morris Central School District this 16th day of February, 2018.


District Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE PURSUANT TO
LOCAL FINANCE LAW SECTION 81.00

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on February 15, 2018, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such bond resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Morris Central School District is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Judy B. Matson
District Clerk
Morris Central School District,
New York

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PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH
SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING
OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Object or Purpose: the acquisition of one 65-passenger propane school bus and one school car, at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$150,460.

Period of Probable Usefulness and
Maximum Permissible Term of Any Borrowing: five (5) years.

Amount of Debt Obligations Authorized: up to \$150,460.

A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the School District Clerk of the Morris Central School District, Morris, New York.

Dated: February 15, 2018
Morris, New York



[TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARTICIPANT'S OFFICIAL RECORD-KEEPING OFFICER]

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF

THE Board of Education ("GOVERNING BODY")

OF Morris Central School District ("PARTICIPANT")

(Municipal Cooperation Agreement and Related Documents)

A regular meeting of the Governing Body (the "Finance Board") of the Participant was held at Morris, New York, on February 15, 2018 at 6:30PM, at which meeting a quorum was at all times present and acting. There were:

PRESENT: Margaret Caezza
Wendy Moore
Mary Dugan
Emily Boss
Russell Tilley

ABSENT: _____

ALSO PRESENT: Matthew Sheldon Katharine Smith Judy B. Matson

Mary Dugan moved the adoption of the following resolution. The motion was seconded by Emily Boss. The Finance Board was polled. The motion was adopted by a vote of 5 affirmative votes (being at least a majority of the entire voting strength of the Finance Board) and 0 negative votes and 0 absent votes.



[TO BE PRESENTED TO THE PARTICIPANT'S GOVERNING BODY FOR APPROVAL]

Resolution of the _____ Board of Education ("Governing Body") of the Morris Central School District ("Participant"), authorizing the execution and delivery of an amended and restated Municipal Cooperation Agreement and related documents by and among the several municipal corporations, school district, fire districts and/or boards of cooperative educational services to provide for the cooperative temporary investment of public funds.

WHEREAS, the Participant, pursuant to the provisions of the General Municipal Law and its investment policy, after due investigation, evaluation and deliberation, has determined that it is in the best interest of the Participant to invest a portion of its public funds on a cooperative basis pursuant to the terms of a Municipal Cooperation Agreement dated as of July 20, 2007 (the "Agreement") among the Red Hook Central School District, as Lead Agent, and various other municipal corporations, under the trade name "New York Liquid Asset Fund" ("NYLAF");

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Governing Body (the "Finance Board") of the Participant, located in _____ Otsego County, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. The terms, conditions and provisions of the Agreement attached hereto are hereby approved. The _____ Superintendent (the "Chief Fiscal Officer") of the Participant is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Agreement, and the Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Participant thereto and attest such seal. The Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to from time to time effect and consent to such changes to the Agreement in the form attached hereto as may be necessary or convenient in order to further carry out the purposes of the Agreement or to clarify or correct the terms thereof. The Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to delegate the foregoing duties to his or her designees as authorized by the Law (as that term is defined in the Agreement), which designee is an authorized employee officer of the Participant. Upon the execution in full and delivery of the Agreement, the Participant shall become a Participant, as that term is defined in the Agreement.

Section 2. Notwithstanding any term or provision of the Agreement to the contrary, the Participant may withdraw from the Agreement at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Governing Board of NYLAF by the Chief Fiscal Officer and thereafter the Participant shall cease to have any rights or obligations under the Agreement.

Section 3. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its due adoption by the Finance Board.



[TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PARTICIPANT'S OFFICIAL RECORD-KEEPING OFFICER]

I, Judy B. Matson, District Clerk
of the Morris Central School District ("Participant"), HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. I have compared the attached extract with the minutes of the meeting of the Participant held on February 15, 2018 and such extract is a true and correct copy of such minutes and of the whole thereof insofar as such minutes relate to matters referred to in such extract.
 2. Such minutes correctly state the time when such meeting was convened and the place where such meeting was held and the members of the Finance Board of the Participant who attended such meeting.
 3. Notice of such meeting was given as prescribed by law and such meeting was open to all persons who were entitled by law to attend such meeting.
- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Participant this 16th day of February, 2018.

(SEAL)

Judy B. Matson
Judy B. Matson
District Clerk

Completed forms may be submitted to NYLAF via fax, email or regular U.S. mail.
Fax to 866-548-8633, Attn: NYLAF | Scan and Email to: nylaf@pmanetwork.com or rbc-cmg@rbc.com
Mail to: NYLAF Administration, PMA Financial Network, 2135 CityGate Lane 7th FL, Naperville IL 60563



INSTRUCTIONS for New Participants

- Please fill in the highlighted information on pages 1-3.
- Pages 1 and 3 are to be completed by the Participant's official record-keeping officer. As an alternative to completing Pages 1 and 3, a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Participant may be provided.
- Page 2 contains resolutions to be presented to the Participant's governing body for approval.

If you have any questions concerning the completion of these documents, please contact RBC Lancaster at: 866-996-9523 | Option 2.