

MORRIS CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date of Meeting: February 28, 2019
Kind of Meeting: Regular
Board Members Present: Margaret Caezza, Wendy Moore, Mary Dugan
Board Members Absent: Emily Boss, Russell Tilley
Others Present: Matthew Sheldon, Superintendent; Katharine Smith, Principal; Students Marissa Romer

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 17, 2019 was approved as presented on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Mary Dugan, and carried 3-0.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

Superintendent's Reports:

Matthew Sheldon told the Board that we cannot find anyone to cover the front door after school.

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the 2019-2020 Budget. Mr. Sheldon said he is almost done with the expense side of the budget. At this point, there is a 4% increase in the budget. We are not allowed to use our Capital Reserve without voter approval. The grants have not been figured yet. Our tax cap is 2.51% tax cap.

Matthew Sheldon discussed the MTA contract with the Board. Mr. Sheldon told the Board that the contract has been ratified by the Union. The vote was not unanimous.

Matthew Sheldon talked to the Board about the 2019-2020 School Calendar. School starts after Labor Day. Graduation will be June 26, 2020. Pre-K through 6th grade are scheduled to go to June 26, 2020 at this time.

Principal's Reports:

Katharine Smith gave the Board an update on upcoming student events. March 1 Dodge Ball Tournament has been canceled. March 2 All-County at Unatego. March 4 varsity sports begins and March 12 is varsity spring sports Parent Night at 6:00 p.m. March 6 is Spanish Honor Society Inductions at 2:15. March 8 four students go to Chemistry Olympiad at Binghamton University. March 8 is Cabaret student talent show at 6:30 p.m. March 18 modified sports starts. March 20 sophomores go to SUNY Cobleskill for Sophomore Summit, juniors and seniors go to SUNY Oneonta for an alcohol awareness program.

Next year all students in grades 7 through 12 will read and receive a copy of To Kill a Mockingbird. This is the TUCCR book for next year. To Kill a Mockingbird is currently on Broadway. Ms. Smith said Jerome Degan came to her and asked about the possibility of taking the students in grades 7 through 12 to a matinee in October. Mr. Degan had been brainstorming ways to pay for the trip. Ms. Smith said they realized that the bullet aid from Bill Magee could be used to fund the trip. We would run the trip through Arts in Education and receive BOCES aid back on the ticket costs. Hale Bus Lines has been contacted for an itinerary which includes four buses. There are still many details to work out so they are asking the Board's approval to continuing planning for the trip. The consensus of the Board was to go ahead with the trip.

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 8 were approved as presented on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Mary Dugan, and carried 3-0:

1. Approval of the Warrants #51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, and 63, as presented.

2. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2018, as presented.
3. Approval of the Central Treasurer's Reports for the month of January 2019, as presented.
4. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the Certified Bus Vote held on February 14, 2019, as follows:

Yes: 47 No: 8 Total: 55

5. **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 14, 2019:

Elaine Frederick, Judy Matson (District Clerk), Kathy and Dale Hungerford, Carol Tyson, Connie Valentine; Chief Election Officials Norma Boyd and Lois Jones

6. **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 28, 2019 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 OTHERS MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, as attached. (See Attachment #1)

7. Approval of the 2019-2020 School Calendar

8. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the contract with the Morris Teachers Association starting on July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2023.

The following personnel items 1 through 7 were approved as presented on the motion of Mary Dugan, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 3-0:

1. Approval of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Ana Cole as a teacher aide effective November 29, 2019.
2. Approval of Courtney Mackey as a mentor for Katy Bridgers for the last half of 2018-2019 and the first half of 2019-2020. Mrs. Mackey's stipend is \$175.
3. Approval of Jerome Degan as a mentor for JeanMarie Coloney for the last half of the 2018-2019 school year. Mr. Degan is replacing Monica Kilts. Mr. Degan's stipend is \$75.
4. Approval of Theodore Diorio as a substitute teacher (C) for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
5. Approval of Susan Kleinschmidt as a substitute food service worker for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
6. Approval of Teagan Mackey as a substitute teacher (NC) and teacher aide for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
7. Approval of the following spring coaches for the 2018-2019 school year:

Varsity Baseball – Patrick Harmer with a stipend of \$3,417
 Modified Baseball – Michael Gregg with a stipend of \$1,770
 Varsity Softball – Julene Waffle with a stipend of \$3,033
 Modified Softball – Liana Garry with a stipend of \$1,600
 Unpaid Assistant Coach for Track – Michael D'Amico
 Varsity Track – Dylan Jaklitsch with a stipend of \$2,807 (given one-year experience)
 Modified Track – Dana Sheldon with a stipend of \$1,468

The following Administrative item #1 was approved as presented on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Mary Dugan, and carried 3-0:

1. **Be It Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Morris Central School District approves the first reading of the revisions to the following policies:

#5761 – Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers – (Name Change)

#7530 – Child Abuse and Maltreatment

Public Comment: None

The Board went into executive session at 6:44 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, negotiations, and CSE on the motion of Mary Dugan, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 3-0.

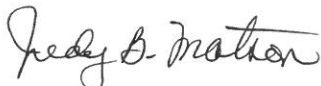
The Board came out of executive session at 6:55 p.m. on the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Mary Dugan, and carried 3-0.

On the motion of Wendy Moore, seconded by Mary Dugan, and carried 3-0; the IEP's of the specified CPSE students' plans #3055 was approved as presented. Students' Individual Education Plans (IEP) was viewed online, in executive session, on an as needed basis.

On the motion of Mary Dugan, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 3-0; the IEP's of the specified CSE students' plans #2493, 2482, 2274, 2160, 3035 was approved as presented. Students' Individual Education Plans (IEP) was viewed online, in executive session, on an as needed basis.

The Board adjourned at 6:57 p.m. without further discussion on the motion of Mary Dugan, seconded by Wendy Moore, and carried 3-0.

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 28th day of February, 2019:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Wendy Moore presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted and was seconded by Mary Dugan:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 28, 2019 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 14, 2019, 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 \$199,791, 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 30-passenger wheelchair accessible school bus.

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 \$199,791, 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 \$199,791, 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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COUNTY OF OTSEGO }

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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 28, 2019, 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 28 day of February, 2019.



District Clerk

To Be Published in Each Official Newspaper After Adoption

LEGAL NOTICE PURSUANT TO
LOCAL FINANCE LAW SECTION 81.00

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on February 28, 2019, 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 30-passenger wheelchair accessible school bus, at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$199,791.

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

Amount of Debt Obligations Authorized: up to \$199,791.

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 28, 2019
Morris, New York