

**CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 Catskill, New York  
**PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**  
**May 5, 2009**  
 Catskill Middle School Auditorium  
**7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Bulich, J. Garafalo, E. Holsopple, M. Leibowitz, C. Schilansky

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** R. Griffin, K. Haas, A. Jones, L. Warner

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** K. Farrell, K. Lewis, D. Van Kleeck, a representative from the Daily Mail, and a few community members.

The special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 PM by Board President Garafalo and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Call to Order

Dr. Farrell, Superintendent and Kimberly Lewis, Business Administrator presented the School District Budget and then allowed time for comments and questions.

School Budget Presentation

There were several questions/comments from the public regarding the budget, specifically the difference between spending with a contingent budget and an approved budget, opening of Pre-K, state aid and per pupil expenditures.

Questions

Dr. Farrell explained the opening of Pre-K, that it is for four year olds, and is partially grant funded and she also explained the building aid for the renovation construction. Dr. Farrell further explained that the EXCEL building aid and the referendum that was past by the voters last year approved the opening of the Pre-K at the Elementary School.

Kimberly Lewis explained the spending related to both types of budget and that per pupil expenditures are in the state report card in the actual budget documents that were passed out tonight.

David Deshong, from the Catskill Public Library, presented the Library budget and allowed time for comments and questions.

Library Budget Presentation

Mrs. Van Kleeck reviewed the voter qualifications. To be eligible to vote you must be:

1. A Citizen of the United States.
2. Eighteen years of age.
3. A resident of the School District for a period of 30 days preceding the meeting at which they intend to vote.
4. Duly registered with the School District or Greene County Board of Elections.

Voter Qualifications

Mrs. Van Kleeck announced that the hours for voter registration are May 12, 2009 at the Catskill High Auditorium Lobby from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Voter Registration

Mrs. Van Kleeck also announced the absentee voting procedures explaining that the ballots had to be returned and in the hand of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 PM on May 19, 2009.

Absentee Ballot Voting

Mrs. Van Kleeck then announced what will be on the ballot at the upcoming election on May 19, 2009. Items on the ballot are the candidates for the Board of Education election, the 2009-10 school budget, walk-in voter registration proposition and the public library budget.

Mrs. Van Kleeck announced that voting on the Annual budget, Board of Education members, walk-in registration and the Public Library budget will take place on May 19, 2009 at the Catskill High School Gymnasium from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

Voting  
Announcement

The meeting will be concluded with the announcement of the results of the votes taken on May 19, 2009 by the Meeting Chairperson/District Clerk. The actual vote summaries and results signed by the District Clerk will become part of the minutes of the Annual Meeting.

*A MOTION (Holsopple/Leibowitz) to go into executive session at 8:45 PM for the purpose of the performance history of particular individuals. VOTE: Unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried unanimously.*

Executive Session

*There was a consensus to return to public session at 9:15 PM.*

Public Session

*A MOTION (Holsopple/Bulich) to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM. VOTE: Unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried unanimously.*

Adjournment

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Donna Van Kleeck, District Clerk

\*Note: 1-677 would include minutes from previous meetings since July 1, 2005.

CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CATSKILL, NEW YORK  
DISTRICT CLERK OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

WAIVER OF NOTIFICATION FOR SPECIAL MEETING

We, the undersigned, hereby agree to waive the twenty-four (24) hour notification requirement for a Special Board of Education Meeting to be held on:

May 5, 2009 8:45 Superintendent's Office  
Date, Time and Location

The assigned statement shall be affixed to the minutes of the meeting held on the above date.

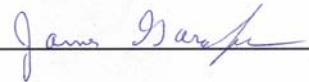
(NYS E. Laws, Section 1606)  
(Public Officers Law, Section 104.4)

BOARD MEMBER SIGNATURE

MICHAEL BULICH



JAMES GARAFALO



RANDALL GRIFFIN

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KAREN HAAS

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ERIC HOLSOPPLE



ANDREW JONES

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MATTHEW LEIBOWITZ



CAROL SCHILANSKY



LISA WARNER

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