

CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Catskill, New York
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
September 10, 2008
CHS Cafeteria
7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Bulich, J. Garafalo, R. Griffin, K. Haas (arrived at 7:44 PM), E. Holsopple, A. Jones, M. Leibowitz

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: L. Warner, C. Schilansky

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: K. Farrell, K. Lewis, D. Van Kleeck

The special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:11 pm by Board President Garafalo and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Call to Order

There was no one who wished to address the board.

Visitor Recognition

Dr. Farrell reported that the extended day program is getting organized and you have my recommendation for appointment for the coordinator. We expect to start by September 22nd.

Superintendent's Report

We had a request for indoor walking by citizens of the community.

Terry Damon gave a brief update on the construction projects.

Armlin Damon & McMordie Report

The board discussed the following personnel items:

- Adjustment to Current Substitute Teacher List
- Adjustment to Current Non-Instructional Substitute List
- Increase in hours from 5.5 to 6.0 for Cashier
- Increase in hours from 5.75 to 6.25 for Food Service Worker

Discussion of Personnel Items

The board discussed the following other items:

- Minutes
- Recommendations of the CSE/CPSE meetings
- Declaration of Obsolete/Surplus Textbooks
- Approval of Selection/Classification Program
- Acceptance of Year-end Library Reports
- Change Order(s)

Discussion of Other Items

There were no Board Committee reports

Board Committee Reports

Future Meetings of the Board of Education are as follows:

- September 24, 2008 - Regular Meeting - New Staff Reception - CHS Cafeteria - 6:30 PM
- October 8, 2008 – Buildings Walkthrough
- October 17, 2008 – Building & Grounds Committee Meeting – 6:00 PM – Supt. Office
- October 29, 2008 – Regular Meeting – CHS Cafeteria – 6:30 PM
- November 12, 2008 – Board Retreat

Future Meetings

November 19, 2008 – Regular Meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 December 10, 2008 – Regular Meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 January 14, 2009 – Workshop/Voting meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 January 28, 2009 – Regular Meeting– CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 February 11, 2009 – Workshop/Voting meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 February 25, 2009 –Regular Meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 March 11, 2009 – Workshop/Voting meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 March 25, 2009 – Regular Meeting– CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 April 8, 2009 – Special Meeting – Possible Budget Adoption– CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 April 28, 2009 - Regular Meeting - BOCES Annual Budget & BOCES Board Members -
 CHS Library
 May 5, 2009 – Public Hearing – CHS Auditorium – 7:00 PM – CHS Library
 May 12, 2009 – Voter Registration Day – 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM – CHS Auditorium Lobby
 May 13, 2009 – Workshop/Voting Meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 May 19, 2009 – Board Member & Budget VOTE 6:00 AM – 9:00 P.M. – CHS Gymnasium
 May 27, 2009 – Regular Meeting – CHS Library – 7:00 PM
 June 10, 2009 – Workshop/Voting meeting – CHS Cafeteria – 7:00 PM
 June 24, 2009 – Regular Meeting – CHS Cafeteria – 7:00 PM

Approvals of

A MOTION (Holsopple/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding a conference. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

ASAC Conference Attendance

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby grants approval for Patrick Wemitt and Beverly Cotten to attend the Acellus School Administrator Conference in Kansas City, Missouri from October 17th - 18th, 2008.

Patrick Wemitt
 Beverly Cotton

A MOTION (Griffin/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding a conference. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

NAEYC Conference Attendance

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby grants approval for Dawn Scannapieco and Deborah Johnson to attend the NAEYC 2008 Annual Conference in Dallas, Texas from November 5th - 8th, 2008.

Dawn Scannapieco
 Deborah Johnson

A MOTION (Holsopple/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding the resignation of a co-advisor. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Resignations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Brian McDonnell as 2008-09 Co-Advisor for Public Relations Gr. 7-12.

Brian McDonnell

A MOTION (Holsopple/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding the resignation of a food service worker. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the board hereby approves the resignation of Lisa Accornero, Food Service Worker, effective August 25, 2008, to accept a position outside the district.

Lisa Accornero

A MOTION (Jones/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of a CSE Chairperson. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Robert Lewis as a CSE Chairperson, effective August 27, 2008 until June 30, 2009, at no additional compensation.

Robert Lewis

A MOTION (Holsopple/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of a Business Education Teacher. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby approves the three-year probationary appointment of Jaclyn Sirianni as Business Education Teacher, in the tenure area of Business Education, assigned to the Catskill High School, effective September 2, 2008 through September 1, 2011, at salary step 1B, as per current CTA contract, (\$39,800), pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check.

Jaclyn Sirianni

A MOTION (Jones/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of a Social Worker. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby approves the three-year probationary appointment of Dina Carreras as Social Worker, in the tenure area of School Social Worker, assigned to the Special Education Program, effective September 29, 2008 through September 28, 2011, at salary step 1D, as per current CTA contract, (\$42,250), pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check.

Dina Carreras

A MOTION (Jones/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of a Teaching Assistant. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby approves the two-year probationary appointment of Shelly Stacey, as Teaching Assistant, 6.5 hrs a day, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, assigned to the High School In-School Suspension Room, effective September 2, 2008, paid at the rate of 12.47 per hour.

Shelly Stacey

A MOTION (Griffin/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of a Teaching Assistant. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby approves the reappointment of Deborah Zwoboda to a three-year probationary appointment as Teaching Assistant, 6.5 hrs a day, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, assigned to the Middle School In-School Suspension Room, effective September 2, 2008, paid at the rate of 16.78 per hour.

Deborah Zwoboda

A MOTION (Jones/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of a Monitor. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby approves the appointment of Kathleen Moore as Monitor (5.75 hrs/day) assigned to the Catskill High School, effective September 4, 2008 through June 30, 2009 and paid at the base rate of \$11.45 per hour (salary category H of the CSEA Agreement).

Kathleen Moore

A MOTION (Jones/Leibowitz) to approve the following resolution regarding the appointment of an after school program coordinator. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby appoints Don Osborn to the position of Program Coordinator for After School Program, effective September 4, 2008 until August 31, 2009, and paid a stipend of \$4,500.

Don Osborn

A MOTION (Jones/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding the extracurricular appointments. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby approves the following additional extracurricular appointments for the 2008-09 school year contingent upon sufficient student participation in the activity:

ADVISOR	ACTIVITY	STIPEND
	SPORTS	
Amie Rogers	HS Cheerleading	2436
Eric Joyce	Girls MS Soccer	1624

Amie Rogers
Eric Joyce

ADVISOR	ACTIVITIES	STIPEND
	High School	
Jim Guldenstern	Musical Production Director	2436
Jim Guldenstern	Production Accompanist	914

Jim Guldenstern

A MOTION (Jones/Holsopple) to approve the following resolution regarding an amendment to a teacher appointment. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby amends the June 25, 2008 appointment of Mary Ellen White as Science Teacher, assigned to the Catskill High School, to show that the salary should be step 2D, (\$43,600).

Mary Ellen White

A MOTION (Griffin/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding an amendment to the District-wide Improvement Grants. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board hereby amends the May 14, 2008 approval of the 2008-09 District-wide Improvement Grants to show that new Grade 2 teacher listed under Designing a Second Grade Website for 20 hours at \$27.93 an hour is Michelle Krueger.

Michelle Krueger

A MOTION (Jones/Griffin) to approve the following resolution regarding an adjustment to an extracurricular appointment. VOTE: Yes: Garafalo, Griffin, Holsopple, Jones, Leibowitz; No: Bulich. Motion carried 5 Yes, 1 No.

Appointments

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves an adjustment to the appointment of Michael Piedmonte as Advisor for Public Relations Gr. 7-12 at the High School due to the resignation of Co-Advisor, Brian McDonnell (new stipend is \$1,624).

Michael Piedmonte

A MOTION (Jones/Holsopple) to approve the following resolution regarding the leave request for a Clarke Scholarship recipient. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the recommendation of the Clarke Scholarship Committee to approve a Leave of Absence for the Class of 2004 Clarke Scholarship recipient for student number 300381 for one semester pursuant to the established Clarke Scholarship Guidelines.

Clarke Scholarship Recipient Leave of Absence

A MOTION (Jones/Bulich) to approve the following resolution regarding the discontinuation of an award for a Clarke Scholarship recipient. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the recommendation of the Clarke Scholarship Committee to discontinue the award for the Class of 2004 Clarke Scholarship recipient for student number 300132 pursuant to the established Clarke Scholarship Guidelines.

Clarke Scholarship Award Discontinuation

A MOTION (Griffin/Jones) to approve the following resolution regarding a budget transfer. VOTE: Unanimous, 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the following budget transfer within the Capital Fund:

Budget Transfer

Amount		Account Code	Description
\$40,000	from	H 2110.400.00.5012	Owner's Project Contingency Budget
\$40,000	to	H 2110.245.00.5012	Architects Expense

K. Haas arrived at 7:44 PM

There was no one who wished to address the board.

Visitor Recognition

J. Garafalo advised the board that we now have a crosswalk on the west side - West Bridge St. thanks to the assistance of Chief Dave Darling and Supt. of Highways, Lewis O'Connor.

A MOTION (Holsopple/Leibowitz) to go into executive session at 7:53 PM for the purpose of the employment history of particular individuals. VOTE: Unanimous, 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion for
Executive Session

There was a consensus to return to public session at 8:28 PM

Return to Public
Session

A MOTION (Holsopple/Bulich) to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. VOTE: Unanimous, 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Donna Van Kleeck, District Clerk

*Note: 1-527 would include minutes from previous meetings since July 1, 2005.