

IT IS THE MISSION OF THE SCHODACK CENTRAL SCHOOLS  
to develop our students to become "...active, reflective, creative learners. In our schools, they will engage in rewarding work and  
practice behaviors that are intelligent in both an academic and a practical sense. Students will develop the attitudes, skills  
and understandings that will allow them to fulfill their potential and to function successfully in their individual and social  
roles."

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SCHODACK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
1216 Maple Hill Road, Castleton, New York 12033-1699

**May 19, 2015**

**Maple Hill High School Library**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING**

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations.
3. Approval of present agenda.
4. Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Approval of minutes of board meetings: April 9, 2015, April 16, 2015, April 21, 2015 and May 7, 2015.
6. Reports / Presentations:
  - a. 2014-15 Educational Technology Specialist update– Tim Ryan
7. Meeting open for public discussion.
8. Board Discussion
9. Policies:
  - a. Code of Conduct – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
10. Consent Agenda:
  - a. Acceptance of the Claims Auditor’s report for the month of April 2015.
  - b. Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report for the month of April 2015.
  - c. Approval of recommendations of the district Committee on Special Education regarding 2014-2015 students: TBD
  - d. Approval of recommendations of the district Committee on Preschool Special Education regarding 2014-2015 special education services for student(s): TBD
  - e. Approval of a Retainer Agreement with Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP to provide legal services to the Schodack Central School District at an annual rate of \$8,000.00, (payable in quarterly installments of \$2,000.00) w/a blended hourly rate of \$205.00 for matters outside the retainer, paralegal rate will be \$90.00 per hour, for the 2015-16 school year.

- f. Acknowledgement of a donation from Target Field Trip Grants Project in the amount of \$700.00 in support of field trip costs to the Fireman's Museum.
- g. Approval of an Agreement with Benetech, Inc. for third party administration of employer 403(b) plan effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, for an annual administration fee of \$1,500.00.
- h. Acknowledgement of a donation from Catholic Charities of Rensselaer County – Concerns U in the amount of \$450.00 in support of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Philadelphia, PA.
- i. Approval of a health services contract with Albany City School for the 2014-15 school year, for (5) five district resident students attending non-public schools.
- j. Approval of International Club trip Mainland China, in April 2016.
- k. Acceptance of a resolution of the 2015-16 School Budget Vote and Election results.
- l. Approval of a Serial Bond Resolution for the purchase of (2) two school buses, pursuant to a voter referendum dated May 19, 2015, in the amount not to exceed \$249,500.00.

11. Appointments / Resignations:

- a. Approval of the tenure appointment of Nathan Porter (certification: Physics 7-12) to the position of Secondary Science Teacher in the tenure area of Secondary Science, effective September 1, 2015.
- b. Approval of the tenure appointment of Alissa Leavitt (certification: Literacy (Grades 5-12), Literacy (Birth – Grade 6), Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Students With Disabilities (Birth – Grade 2), Students with Disabilities (Grade 1-6), Early Childhood Education (birth - Grade 2)) to the position of Elementary Education Teacher in the tenure area of Elementary Education, effective September 1, 2015.
- c. Approval of the tenure appointment of Zenia Skalić (certification: Literacy (Birth – Grade 6, Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 2) Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)) in the tenure area of Reading Teacher, effective September 1, 2015.
- d. Approval of the probationary appointment of Craig Hadley, School Bus Driver, at a rate of \$21.13 per hour for 3.75 hours per day, effective May 11, 2015 through January 11, 2016.
- e. Approval of a one year leave of absence for Janice Balogh, .4 FTE Mathematics Teacher for the 2015-16 school year.
- f. Approval of the one year appointment of Janice Balogh as .4 FTE Math Coach for the 2015-16 school year.

- g. Approval of the following Substitute Teacher(s): Nicole Fuller and Carissa Zungia
  - h. Approval of the following non-instructional substitute(s): Nicole Fuller
12. Meeting open for public discussion.
  13. Action items
  14. Adjournment