

*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."*

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

April 8, 2014

Maple Hill High School Cafeteria

Present: Andrew Fleck, Michael Hiser, Mary Yurista, Paul Puccio, Daniel Grandinetti, Bruce Romanchak, George Warner (arrived at 6:34) and Michael Charsky (arrived at 6:34)

Absent: Jeanne Strazza

Also Present: Robert Horan, Monica Kim, Matt LaClair, Michael Bennett and Michael Reickert

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – WORKSHOP

1. Meeting called to order by President, J. Andrew Fleck at 6:31 p.m.
2. President Fleck asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Bruce Romanchak moved for approval of present agenda. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
4. Reports:
 - a. 2014-15 Budget Workshop Draft #3 - Monica Kim and Robert Horan presented the 3rd draft of the 2014-15 budget. There was discussion about State Aid and the low percent Schodack received. Mr. Horan is waiting to talk to Senator Marchione about the financial situation Schodack faces. Mr. Puccio summarized the reasoning as since we have the highest rate of decline in enrollment, and highest rate in wealth we received the least aid. Mr. Horan further expressed his disappointment in the State Aid numbers in that the district has done such a good job conserving money and receiving grants that we are not eligible for higher GEA restoration percentages. There was discussion about which of the districts received higher GEA restoration and what the reasoning may be. There was discussion about the proposed property tax rebate that is being talked about by the Governor and the adverse impact it could have on the schools.
5. Meeting open for Public discussion: None.
6. Board Discussion: Paul Puccio talked briefly about the new business down on 9J and that the railroad ties are not for the new plant as originally thought. Conrail is fixing their lines. There was discussion about the district's business partnerships and that there were a lot of interested parties looking to do expand into the same type of partnerships in their districts. Assemblyman Lopez is interested in what Schodack is doing. There was discussion about the date and time of the Boces Budget vote, April 22nd at 7:00 am

Every child will be challenged, and every child will challenge every assessment.

in the HS parking lot. Mr. Horan reminded the board about the Annual Business Meeting for Questar on April 9th where a resident of Schodack is being recognized for his Volunteerism. Additional discussion ensued concerning the potential PILOT for the new business on 9J and the affect it could have on the tax levy and residents.

7. Policies: None
8. Consent agenda: None
9. Resignations/Appointments: None
10. Meeting open for public discussion. None.
11. Action items. Final draft of the budget.
12. Bruce Romanchak moved to enter Executive Session to discuss SFA contract negotiations and a student residency matter at 7:34 pm. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
13. Adjournment. Having no further business before the board, Michael Charsky moved to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor, meeting adjourned.