

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

January 20, 2011

Maple Hill High School Library

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – REGULAR

Present: Andrew Fleck, President; Kenneth Flood, Michael Hiser, Lisa Lafferty, Chris DiGiulio, Bruce Romanchak (7:45pm).

Absent: Paul Puccio, George Warner, Susan Megna.

Also Present: Robert Horan, Superintendent; Sherri Fisher, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Support Services; Ron Agostinoni, MHHS; Jason Chevrier, CES; Michael Bennett, MHMS; Donna Watson, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Pupil Personnel Services.

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Fleck.
2. Proposed Executive Session 6:05 p.m. (High School Conference Room). Board re-entered regular session 7:10pm.
3. Approval of present agenda. Michael Hiser moved to approve present agenda. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
4. Approval of minutes of regular meeting December 16, 2010. Kenneth Flood moved to approve minutes of 12/16/10. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
5. Meeting open for public discussion. None.
6. Reports / Presentations:
 - a. BOCES programs/services and RTTT - Questar III – Gladys Cruz and Diana Conroy. Diana Conroy presented overview of Questar III BOCES services. Budget philosophy, instructional programs, leadership development, instructional support, Race To The Top, District support services.
 - b. 2011-12 Budget Presentations
 - i. Curriculum, Instruction & PPS – Donna Watson
 - ii. Special Education – Donna Watson and Mike Bennett. Changes within Special Education: delivery of services, shared role of chairpersons, combined PPS/curriculum offices, new Medicaid rules, new statewide IEP, new prior written notice form, changes to NYS proficiency cut scores. Preparation and training for special education staff and administration. Enrollment trends for students with disabilities. Process regarding District engagement with preschoolers with disabilities. Enrollment trends for related services. Development of Schodack Parent Advocacy Group. Service delivery at middle and high school levels. Blended learning. Recruitment and retention of parent

members for committee on special education.

- iii. Facilities – Matt LaClair. Staffing levels 2010/11. Responsibilities of operations and maintenance. Budget for 2010/11. Planned initiatives to promote efficiency. Operation and maintenance future needs. Tractor for mowing and snow removal, auto-scrubber for middle school, plow truck.
 - iv. Transportation – Mary Mabb. Current staffing. Current bus fleet. Transportation budget. Bus replacement plan. Changes during this school year.
7. Board Discussion. Projections for bus needs related to reduced enrollment projections. Discussion. Any planned evaluation of major changes that have been made during this school year. “Impact of Change” exercise to be done with administration and staff in every department. Piggybacking for school bus routes outside of district. International Dessert Night rescheduled for April 27.
 8. Meeting open for public discussion. Numbering of buses. Parent Advocacy Group. CES custodial issues. Legally defensible IEP training very useful.
 9. Policies. None.
 10. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Michael Hiser moved acceptance of Treasurer’s Report for the month of November, 2010. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - b. Michael Hiser moved acceptance of Revenue and Budget Status Reports for the month of November, 2010 . Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - c. Michael Hiser moved acceptance of Extra-Classroom Activity Report for the month of November, 2010. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - d. Michael Hiser moved approval of the 2011-12 Budget Calendar, as amended. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - e. Michael Hiser moved approval of recommendations of the district Committee on Special Education regarding 2010-2011 students: #000113472; #000011111 . Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - f. Michael Hiser moved approval of recommendations of the district Committee on Preschool Special Education regarding 2010-2011 special education services for students: #000113787, #000113823, #000113786, #000113784, and #000113734. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - g. Michael Hiser moved approval of a final payment to DelSignore Blacktop Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$16,616.35 for completion of contract for Transportation Paving Project #49-15-01-04-5-005-007. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.
 - h. Michael Hiser moved approval of a 2010-11 salary and benefits Memorandum for Heather Briggs, District Treasurer, effective January 3, 2011. Kenneth Flood seconded. All present in favor.

11. Appointments / Resignations:

- a. Bruce Romanchak moved acceptance of resignation of Linda M. Wemple, Elementary Teacher, for purpose of retirement, with much appreciation for her service to the district and the hope that she will enjoy her retirement, effective June 30, 2011. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - b. Bruce Romanchak moved acceptance of resignation of Paul Prostowich, School Bus Driver, for the purpose of retirement, with much appreciation for his service to the district and the hope that he will enjoy his retirement, effective February 15, 2011. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - c. Bruce Romanchak moved approval of the probationary appointment of Deborah Clifford, School Bus Attendant, for 3.0 hours/day, effective January 21, 2011. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - d. Bruce Romanchak moved approval of the appointment of Kathy Matrese, Driver Trainer, effective January 21, 2011. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - e. Bruce Romanchak moved approval of extracurricular advisors/coaches for 2010-11:
 - i. Theresa Hovish – Middle School Olympics of Visual Arts. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - f. Bruce Romanchak moved approval of Assistant Coaches:
 - i. Scott Monuteaux – Varsity Baseball
 - ii. Jim Canonica – Varsity Baseball. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - g. Bruce Romanchak moved approval of substitute teacher(s): Nicole Guilianelli, James VanDuyne. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
 - h. Bruce Romanchak moved approval of Tutor: James VanDuyne. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
12. Meeting open for public discussion. None.
13. Action items. Feedback from “impact of change.”
14. Executive Session: work history of specific employees and litigation. Michael Hiser moved to enter into executive session at 9:08pm. Lisa Lafferty seconded. All present in favor.
15. Adjournment. Having no other business before the board meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth B. Chipman
District Clerk