

*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

November 1, 2007

Maple Hill Middle School Library

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES - SPECIAL**

Present: Sue Megna, Vice President; Phyllis Scannell, Robert Hamilton, Seth Hendrick, Ricardo Cosgrave, Paula Noll, President; Beth Nichols Hesse.

Absent: Paul Puccio, George Warner.

Also Present: Donna Watson, Director of Curriculum and Staff Development; Lori Colistra, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Jason Chevriier, CES; Liz Chipman, District Clerk; Doug Hamlin, Superintendent.

6:30 p.m. - Beth Bourassa, Whiteman Osterman and Hanna

1. Meeting called to order by President Noll at 7:25 p.m.
2. Approval of present agenda. Robert Hamilton moved to approve present agenda. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
3. Meeting open for public discussion. None.
4. Workshop: Measures of Success. Email to board from Paul Puccio. Doug Hamlin recapped meeting of subcommittee regarding district data base. Donna Watson facilitated workshop. Questar web service to access district test data for ELA and Math. Math performance is available for individual students in specific strands of math functions. Discussion, questions from board members. Curriculum uses for data. Analyzing data from specific questions on the ELA and Math tests, discrepant scores for Schodack, how data is used. Questions, discussion. Outcomes/action plans from analysis of data. Student readiness/preparation from grade level to grade level. Questionnaires for classes of 2003 and 2004. Professional development survey for teachers. How to define effectiveness of the process. Measurements of success. Documenting the process. Discussion, comments from board members.
5. Consent agenda
  - A. Robert Hamilton moved approval of resolution to accept New York State Office of the State Comptroller Report of Examination for the Period July 1, 2006-April 16, 2007 and approve Corrective Action Plan. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
  - B. Robert Hamilton moved approval of Business Associate Agreement with Benetech, Inc. effective July 1, 2007, to comply with requirements of health Insurance Portability and

Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.

6. Resignations/Appointment

- a. Robert Hamilton moved acceptance of resignation of Frances Berger, Temporary School Bus Driver, effective October 23, 2007. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- b. Robert Hamilton moved approval of substitute teachers: Christine Devine, Beth Fournier. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- c. ITEM REMOVED. Approval of probationary appointment of Christopher Guilianelli, Custodial Worker, for 8 hours/day at a rate of \$13.80/hour, effective November 2, 2007 through May 2, 2008. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- d. Robert Hamilton moved approval of substitute school bus drivers: Michael Paju. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- e. Robert Hamilton moved approval of increase in hours for Lisa Clevenger, Teacher Assistant, from 6.0 to 6.5 hrs/day (Monday through Thursday only), effective November 5, 2007 through May 22, 2008. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- f. Robert Hamilton moved approval of increase in hours for Valerie Camper, Teacher Assistant, from 6.0 to 6.5 hrs/day (Monday through Thursday only), effective November 5, 2007 through May 22, 2008. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- g. Robert Hamilton moved approval of increase in hours for Concetta Zobre, Teacher Assistant, from 6.0 to 6.5 hrs/day (Monday through Thursday only), effective November 5, 2007 through May 22, 2008. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- h. Robert Hamilton moved approval of increase in hours for Kathy Shapiro, Teacher Assistant, from 6.0 to 6.5 hrs/day (Monday through Thursday only), effective November 5, 2007 through May 22, 2008. Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.
- i. Robert Hamilton moved approval of temporary appointment of Paul Prostowich, School Bus Driver, for 4.5 hrs/day, at a rate of \$18.18 per hour, effective November 5, 2007 (anticipated through June 26, 2008). Sue Megna seconded. All present in favor.

7. Board discussion. Sue Megna: library/school partnerships. Fundraiser tree decorating for silent auction. Seth Hendrick: recap of convention sessions. Phyllis Scannell: recap of convention sessions. Paula Noll: communications committee. Rik Cosgrave: Halloween? Sue Megna: polite trick-or-treaters.

8. Meeting open for public discussion. Kolby Flack: police presence noticeable. Cost for Questar computer access. Castleton/Community partnership has already partnered with the library.

9. Action items.

10. Motion to go into executive session to discuss work history of specific employee, Superintendent evaluation, negotiations with SCFA. Robert Hamilton moved to enter into executive session at 9:05pm. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.

11. Adjournment. Having no other business before the board, meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Chipman  
District Clerk