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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

September 19, 2013

Maple Hill High School Library

Present: Michel Hiser, Paul Puccio, Jeanne Strazza, Bruce Romanchak, Mary Yurista, Michael Charsky, Daniel Grandinetti, George Warner (arrived at 6:18 pm) and Andrew Fleck (arrived at 8:00 pm).

Absent: None.

Also present: Robert Horan, Michael Bennett, James Derby, Jason Chevrier, Michele Reickert, and Ron Agostinoni (arrived at 7:44)

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES – REGULAR

1. Meeting called to order by Board Vice President, Michael Hiser at 6:10 p.m.
2. Executive Session: 6:00 – 6:30 pm to discuss Union matters.
3. Paul Puccio moved to re-enter regular session at 6:34 pm. Bruce Romanchak seconded. All present in favor.
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
5. Michael Charsky moved for approval of present agenda. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
6. Approval of minutes of regular meetings: None
7. Reports:
 - a. Capital Project Update – Mr. Horan first introduced Kevin Calacone, a gentleman working on his Doctorial Degree who will be observing the next few board meetings as part of his curriculum. Mr. Horan spoke about the contract for Architectural services and gave an overview of the details of the contract; and where the negotiations of the final contracts for Robert Hendricks and the Architectural Firm stand. He expressed that these contracts are for a pre-referendum project. There was discussion about CAD drawings and what rights the district will have to them for future use. Mr. Horan answered that they will be available to the district with no restrictions. There was discussion about the cost and the amount of aid the district would be entitled to. The board discussed how the Summit on the 24th should be led; some felt it should be delivered by Mr. Horan and others by Mr. Hendricks. There was conversation of how to get the community's input and ideas.

Bruce Romanchak moved to table discussion on Report a. Capital Project Update until after Report b. Online Presentation. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.

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- b. HS Online Presentation - Mr. Agostinoni and Morgan Hurley presented on different online programs offered for credit recovery, to earn college credit and for independent study. Morgan Hurley talked extensively about the various classes she has taken online and expressed that in doing this, that she will have enough credits when she graduates from high school to have the equivalent of a college degree.
- 8. Board Discussion: Discussion continued about the capital project, population projections and the data collected during the merger study. Paul Puccio spoke about the Common Core Standards (CCS) and what do school board members need to know about it. What is the relevance of CCS in education, jobs and life long experience? CCS changes the content of what is being taught and how it is to be taught.
- 9. Meeting open for public discussion: Laura Cook spoke and thanked the board for the discussion and presentation of tonight and was glad to be there. Tim Ryan spoke and welcomed new board members.
- 10. Policies: None
- 11. Consent agenda
 - a. Michael Charsky moved for acceptance of Treasurer's Reports for the month of July 2013. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
 - b. Michael Charsky moved for acceptance of Revenue and Budget Status Reports for the month of July 2013. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
 - c. Michael Charsky moved for acceptance of Claims Auditor Report for the month of July 2013. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
 - d. Michael Charsky moved for approval of recommendations of the district Committee on Preschool Special Education regarding 2013-2014 special education services for students: 000114540. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
 - e. Michael Charsky moved for approval of recommendations of the district Committee on Special Education regarding 2013-2014 students: # 000114532, 000114241, and 000114237. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
 - f. Michael Charsky moved for approval of change in assessment for Robert and Deborah Gordano, for real property located at Schodack, NY (189.3-1.18) from \$183,000 to \$180,000 pursuant to Small Claims Assessment Review Case 2013-126 and approval of a reduction in taxes billed in the amount of \$62.38. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
 - g. Michael Charsky moved for approval of change in assessment for Bruce & Janet Wagner, for real property located at Schodack, NY (200.3-3.29) from \$311,000 to \$265,000 pursuant to Small Claims Assessment Review Case 2013-038 and approval of a reduction in taxes billed in the amount of \$956.58. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.

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- h. Michael Charsky moved for approval of change in assessment for Joseph & Michelle Beaver, for real property located at Schodack, NY (189.1-11.14) from \$321,000 to \$300,000 pursuant to Small Claims Assessment Review Case 2013-038 and approval of a reduction in taxes billed in the amount of \$436.70. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- i. Michael Charsky moved for approval of a resolution authorizing the District Treasurer to accept bullet aid from Senator Kathleen A. Marchione in the amount of \$70,000 and to increase General Fund Revenue Code A3289 and General Fund Expense Codes A2110.120.00.2000 by \$15,000 A2250.150.00.0000 by \$9,000, A9030.800.00.0000 by \$2,000, A 9020.800.00.0000 by \$4,000 and A2110.400.00.0000 by \$40,000 to support programming district wide. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- j. Michael Charsky moved for approval of an agreement with Questar for rental of an additional two (2) classrooms at the Maple Hill Middle School for the 2013-14 school year at a rate of \$23,000.00 per year. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- k. Michael Charsky moved for approval of an option to extend the lease with Story Place Preschool for the 2013-14 school in accordance with the terms of the 2012-13 leases agreement. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- l. Michael Charsky moved for approval of a MOU between Schodack Central School District and Civil Service Employees Association sick bank donations and sick bank balance. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- m. Michael Charsky moved for approval of a contract with CDB Connections for special education services for Summer 2013 and the 2013-14 school year at a rate of \$58.00 per half hour for Assistive Technology, Teacher of the deaf and Teacher of the Visually Impaired and \$49.00 per half hour for individual sessions of Special Education, Speech Therapy, Physical Therapy, Occupational therapy, Music therapy and Social Work services. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- n. Michael Charsky moved for approval of a change in the 2013-14 rates for substitute teachers effective September 4, 2013.
 - Certified teacher – first 100 days from \$76.00 per day to \$85.00 per day
 - Certified teacher – after 100 days from \$86.00 per day to \$95.00 per day
 - Retired teacher from \$86.00 per day to \$95.00 per day
 - Non-certified substitute – first 100 days from \$63.00 per day to \$70.00 per day
 - Non-certified substitute – after 100 days from \$73.00 per day to \$80.00 per day. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- o. Michael Charsky moved for acknowledgement of an anonymous donation in the amount of \$400.00 in support of the Community Charities Account. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.

- p. Michael Charsky moved for acknowledgement of a donation from CES PTO in the amount of \$21.96 in support of the Castleton Elementary School Agricultural Project (CECAP). Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- q. Michael Charsky moved for acknowledgement of a donation from ScoutIt, Inc. (Shoparoo School Fundraising) in the amount of \$63.89 in support of the Castleton Elementary School Agricultural Project (CECAP). Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- r. Michael Charsky moved for approval of an educational planner pre-referendum proposal and contract (the proposal is non-binding and should be superseded by the contract) between Educational Legacy Planning Group, Robert Hendriks, and Schodack Central School District for the purpose of working with the Board of Education, administration, faculty/staff, and the community to establish how the district can best meet its stated vision in the next decade in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, and authorizing the Superintendent of Schools, Robert Horan to sign said agreement upon recommendation of counsel. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor.
- s. Paul Puccio moved for approval of an architectural and engineering pre-referendum contract between Synthesis Architects LLP and Schodack Central School District for the purpose of design and implementation of a comprehensive study to determine the most appropriate capital project to meet the district's needs in an amount not to exceed \$25,500.00, and authorizing the Superintendent of Schools, Robert Horan to sign said agreement on the advice of counsel. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.

12. Resignations/Appointments

- a. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Meghan O'Shea (Certification: Physical Education and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)) as .65 Physical Education Teacher effective September 3, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- b. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the three year probationary appointment of Lauren Simon-Friedfel (Certification: School Psychologist) as 1.0 FTE School Psychologist in the tenure area of School Psychologist effective September 23, 2013 at salary of MA step 1. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- c. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Michele Atwater, Teaching Assistant, 4 hours per day at a rate of \$16.93 per hour effective September 3, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- d. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Kathy Shapiro, Teaching Assistant, 4 hours per day at a rate of \$16.93 per hour effective September 3, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- e. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Lisa Clevenger, Teaching Assistant, 4 hours per day at a rate of \$16.93 per hour effective September 3, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.

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- f. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Nancy Dorr, Teaching Assistant, 4 hours per day at a rate of \$16.93 per hour effective September 3, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- g. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of transportation personnel hours for the 2013-14 school year:
 - Laurie Austin-Michaud 3.75 hours/day
 - Frank Bareis 4.00 hours/day
 - Jennifer Campbell 5.25 hours/day
 - John (Jack) Carl 5.25 hours/day
 - Deborah Clifford 4.25 hours/day
 - Noelle Gipp 3.75 hours/day
 - Kandee Goodall 3.75 hours/day
 - Kara Householder 3.75 hours/day
 - Lori Kolb 5.00 hours/day
 - Tina Martino 4.75 hours/day
 - Katherine Matrese 5.25 hours/day
 - Deborah Pfeffer 3.75 hours/day
 - Jamie Pulver 3.75 hours/day
 - Pamela Seiden 2.5 hours/day
 - Bruce Smith 3.75 hours/day
 - Joseph Sterantino 5.00 hours/day
 - Tracy Sukup 6.50 hours/day
 - Kelly Travers-Main 3.75 hours/day. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- h. Paul Puccio moved for approval of 2013-14 Coach(s) :
 - a. Modified Baseball Coach – Scott Hanrahan
 - b. Girls Modified Basketball Coach – Meghan O’Shea
 - c. Interim Modified Cross Country Coach – Lucas Ashby
 - d. Volunteer Assistant Wrestling Coach – Kyle Evans. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- i. Paul Puccio moved for approval of 2013-14 funded Co-Curricular Advisor(s):
 - a. 6th Grade Class - Allison (Green) Streeter
 - b. 7th Grade Class - Christine Fowler
 - c. 8th Grade Class - Karen Sweet
 - d. All County Supervision Winter: Scott Hanrahan, Christina Gibney and Adam Streeter
 - e. All County Supervision Spring: Scott Hanrahan, Christina Gibney and Adam Streeter
 - f. MHMS Jazz Band - Adam Streeter
 - g. Memorial Day Parade Supervision - Adam Streeter and Scott Hanrahan
 - h. MHMS Video News - Kristopher Navratil

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- i. MHMS Builders Club - Jacqueline Hill
 - j. MHMS Student Council Co-advisors - James Farrell and Everett Finney
 - k. MHMS Newspaper - Christine Fowler
 - l. MHMS Yearbook Photo - Amy Hirschhoff
 - m. MHMS Musical Director--Allison (Green) Streeter
 - n. MHMS Musical Director--Adam Streeter
 - o. MHMS National Jr. Honor Society - Sandra Silva
 - p. MHMS Computer Specialists - James Farrell and Everett Finney
 - q. MHMS Visual Aides - James Farrell and Everett Finney
 - r. MHMS Art Club – Gale DellaRocco
 - s. Senior Class Advisor - Co-advisors - Heather Flood and Patricia Wood
 - t. Junior Class - Mark Hoyt
 - u. Sophomore Class - Co-advisors - Mary VanVliet and Jennifer Delaney
 - v. Freshman Class - Co-advisors - Kelsey Roman and Laura Naumovitz
 - w. MHHS National Honor Society - Co-advisors - Heather Flood and Kaitlin McGann
 - x. MHHS Newspaper Editorial - Heather Flood
 - y. MHHS Yearbook Editorial - Kelsey Roman
 - z. MHHS Visual Aide - Kelsey Roman
 - aa. MHHS Key Club - Mary VanVliet
 - bb. MHHS Chemical Health Officer - Kaitlin McGann
 - cc. MHHS Swing Choir - Christina Gibney
 - dd. MHHS Yearbook Business - Patricia Wood
 - ee. MHHS SADD - Jennifer Delaney
 - ff. MHHS Science Olympiad – Leonard Bacon and Jeff Smith
 - gg. CES K-Kids – Co-Advisors – Jennifer Sober and Stacey Rattner
 - hh. CES Visual Aides – Co-Advisors – Brenda Kelliher and Stacey Rattner
 - ii. CES Computer Specialists – Brenda Kelliher and Stacey Rattner. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
- j. Paul Puccio moved for approval of substitute teacher(s): Gale DellaRocco, Machaela Jordan and Daniel Collins. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
 - k. Paul Puccio moved for approval of non-Instructional substitute(s): Kara Householder. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
 - l. Paul Puccio moved for approval of a correction to the appointment of Matthew Purificato, Network Administrator, rate per hour changed from \$16.11 per hour to \$17.18 per hour. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
 - m. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the tenure appointment of Laura Naumovitz (certification: Library Media Specialist) as Library Media Specialist, effective September 1, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
 - n. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Leo Heroux, School Bus Driver, for 3.75 hours

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per day at a rate of \$20.51 per hour effective September 12, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.

- o. Paul Puccio moved for approval of the appointment of Denise Bates, School Bus Driver, for 3.75 hours per day at a rate of \$20.51 per hour effective September 12, 2013. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
13. Meeting open for public discussion: None.
14. Bruce Romanchak moved to add a second board discussion. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor. Board discussion on the need for the district to hook up to a sewer district and a possible solution by the creation of a single user district which would eliminate the Town's need for public vote and referendum. A map, plan and report must be done at a cost of approximately \$15,000 to \$18,000. There was additional discussion about the process of moving forward and assuring the safety of the students and employees.
15. Action items: None.
16. Bruce Romanchak moved to enter executive Session at 9:35 pm to discuss contract negotiations. Michael Charsky seconded. All present in favor.
17. Adjournment: Having no further business before the board, Bruce Romanchak moved to adjourn at 9:59 pm. Michael Hiser seconded. All present in favor, meeting adjourned.