

**SCHOHARIE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

DATE: May 15, 2007  
TIME & PLACE: 9:00 A.M. – HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY LOBBY  
KIND OF MEETING: ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET AND BUS PURCHASE PROPOSITION VOTE AND BOARD MEMBER ELECTION  
ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT: N/A  
ELECTED MEMBER(S) ABSENT: N/A  
APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT: BRIAN SHERMAN, SUPERINTENDENT  
ROBERT W. BONAHER, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR  
ROSEMARY WILBER, DISTRICT CLERK  
ALSO PRESENT: BARBARA MIERS; PAULINE PUTMAN; DARLENE SCHULTZ; HETTY BUTLER;  
4 DISTRICT RESIDENTS

On Tuesday, May 15, 2007, Superintendent Sherman opened the Annual Public Budget Vote, Bus Purchase Proposition Vote, and Board Election at 9:00 a.m. and announced the purpose of the meeting. He asked to dispense with the reading of the legal notice of the Annual Meeting which was published in The Times Journal and included the following:

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL VOTE ON SCHOOL BUDGET, BUS PURCHASE PROPOSITION AND BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEMBER ELECTION**

**SCHOHARIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Board of Education of the Schoharie Central School District that the Annual Election and Budget Vote by the qualified voters of said school district shall be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2007 at the High School located at 136 Academy Drive in the Village of Schoharie, New York. The voting shall take place between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the lobby at the High School Library.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that a qualified voter is a citizen of the United States of America, is eighteen years of age or older on the date of the voting, and has been a legal resident of the school district for a period of not less than thirty days preceding the voting on May 15, 2007. The school district may require all persons offering to vote to provide one proof of residency, pursuant to Education Law Sect. 2018-c. Such form may include a New York State driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon acceptance of proof of residency, the school district will require all persons offering to vote to provide their written signature, printed name, and street address.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** pursuant to Section 1716 of the Education Law of the State of New York, a copy of the statement of the amount of budget appropriations that will be required for the 2007-08 school year may be obtained during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual Election and Budget Vote at each of the following school offices, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.:

Elementary School  
High School  
Business Office

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** pursuant to said Section 1716 of said Education Law, there will be a Public Hearing regarding the proposed 2007-08 Budget in the Cafeteria of the High School on Wednesday, May 2, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that voters will consider candidates for seats on the Board of Education for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2010. The incumbent Board members whose terms expire June 30, 2007 are Paul Stoddard, Mark Quandt and Shawn Gathen. The three candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected to the Board of Education.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** pursuant to Section 2004 of said Education Law, petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. no later than the thirtieth (30th) day preceding the Annual Election and Budget Vote at which the candidates so nominated are to be elected. The deadline for the submission of nominating petitions will be 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2007. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk; shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the school district, shall state the name and residence of the candidate and shall state the residence of each signer. Petition forms are available at the office of the District Clerk.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** pursuant to Chapter 359 of the Laws of 1978, all candidates for election to a board of education shall file a sworn statement of campaign expenses. Initial filing of such statement must occur by the tenth (10th) day preceding the election; to be followed by a second statement to be filed within twenty (20) days succeeding the election. A statement will be deemed properly filed when it is deposited in any United States Post Office within the time period indicated above, duly stamped, registered, and directed to the District Clerk and to the Commissioner of Education.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that the election of three candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall take place at the High School located at 136 Academy Drive in the Village of Schoharie New York, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., local time. The location of the polls will be the lobby at the High School Library.

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that the voting upon the following propositions shall take place at the High School located at 136 Academy Drive in the Village of Schoharie New York, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., local time. The location of the polls will be the lobby at the High School Library.

#### **PROPOSITION #1 - SCHOOL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2007-08**

“SHALL the Board of Education of the Schoharie Central School District be authorized to expend the sum of \$18,671,382 as the school district budget for the 2007-2008 school year during the period of July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 and levy the necessary tax therefore, less revenues and state aid?”

#### **PROPOSITION #2 - SCHOOL BUS PURCHASE**

“SHALL, the Board of Education of the Schoharie Central School District be authorized to: (a) purchase two 66-passenger school buses, two 20-passenger school buses, and one 7-passenger school bus, all at the maximum aggregate cost of \$270,486; (b) expend such sum for such purpose, (c) levy the necessary tax therefore, taking into account state aid received, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board Education; and (d) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$270,486 and to levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?”

**AND NOTICE IS GIVEN**, that applications for absentee ballots for the Annual Election and Budget Vote on Tuesday, May 15, 2007 may be obtained by contacting the Office of the District Clerk, or by telephoning (518) 295-8128. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM on May 15, 2007. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available in the Office of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) business days preceding the vote on May 15, 2007. Such list will also be posted at the polling place on the day of the Annual Election and Budget Vote, May 15, 2007. Any qualified voter may, prior to the day of balloting, upon examination of such list file a written challenge to the qualifications of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the District Clerk or designee to the election inspectors on the day of the voting.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOHARIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATED: April 5, 2007

Rosemary Wilber, District Clerk

All present signified by saying Aye, and there were no objections.

Mr. George Wilber, Chief Inspector, stated that the voting machines had been examined, that the counters were set at zero, and that ballot labels were properly placed. He announced that the polls were open and voting would proceed until 9:00 p.m. this evening.

The Clerk's register of voters and the poll list of such registration will be found on file in the Clerk's Office of the Schoharie Central School District.

At 9:00 p.m. George Wilber closed the polls. The votes were tallied and the Clerk announced the results as follows on the Propositions and Trustees:

**PROPOSITION #1 – BUDGET**

SHALL, the Board of Education of the Schoharie Central School District be authorized to expend the sum of \$18,671,382 as the school district budget for the 2007-2008 school year during the period of July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 and levy the necessary tax therefore, less revenues and state aid?

“Yes” - 518

“No” - 376

**PROPOSITION #2 – BUSES**

SHALL, the Board of Education of the Schoharie Central School District be authorized to: (a) purchase two 66-passenger school buses, two 20-passenger school buses, and one 7-passenger school bus, all at the maximum aggregate cost of \$270,486; (b) expend such sum for such purpose; (c) levy the necessary tax therefore, taking into account state aid received, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education; and (d) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount of \$270,486 and to levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

“Yes” - 570

“No” - 315

**Voting for Trustees – Term of Office, 3 years (Three Seats)**

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Votes Recorded</u>
Shawn Gathen	670
Edythe Schultz	642
Mark Quandt	603

There were no write-in votes.

Proposition #1 for the 2007-2008 school budget was declared approved. Proposition #2 for the purchase of school buses was declared approved. Shawn Gathen, Edythe Schultz, and Mark Quandt were declared elected to the Board of Education for three year terms during July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2010.

Certified tally sheets indicating the computations from the voting machines signed by the Inspectors are on file in the Clerk’s Office.

The Annual District Budget Vote, Bus Purchase Proposition and Board Member Election Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Wilber  
District Clerk