

**SCHOHARIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2007
TIME & PLACE: 7:00 P.M. – HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY CLASSROOM
KIND OF MEETING: REGULAR
ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT: GATHEN, QUANDT ([ARR.@ 7:40](#) PM), REINHART, SCHLIEDER, SCHULTZ, SPIES, WILBER
ELECTED MEMBER(S) ABSENT: NONE
APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT: BRIAN SHERMAN, SUPERINTENDENT
ROBERT BONAKER, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR
BARBARA SMITH, SUBSTITUTE DISTRICT CLERK
ALSO PRESENT: MARYELLEN GILLIS, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
LINDA NEVULIS, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM & PUPIL SERVICES
DAVID BARNES, JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
1 MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE; 1 DISTRICT RESIDENT; 2 FACULTY MEMBERS

President Spies called the Regular Board of Education Meeting of December 19, 2007 to order at 7:04 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion was made by Mr. Reinhart, seconded by Mr. Schlieder to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 27, 2007. (tabled from the December 5, 2007 Meeting).

APPROVE MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
11/27/07

Yes – 5
No – 0
Abstain –1(Gathen)
Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Schultz to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 5, 2007.

APPROVE MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
12/5/07

Yes – 5
No – 0
Abstain –1(Spies)
Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

President Spies reviewed the Agenda and December calendar of events and facilities use.

CALENDAR AND
AGENDA

Mr. Gathen noted that Sunday a.m. alumni basketball was on the schedule.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

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President Spies offered the privilege of the floor. No one requested to speak.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

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REPORT

Members of the Board thanked Mrs. Gillis for the holiday treats she supplied.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

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Education Resources

EDUCATION RESOURCES

Superintendent Sherman presented the Board members with a CD Rom data file and an informational overview sheet showing the different files included on that CD. He explained the different types of resource data that are available to view under each subject file which would help the Board understand NYS regulations and standards on a wide range of subject matter.

Mr. Reinhart spoke on behalf of all the Board members and thanked Mr. Sherman for the CD, as not only would the CD cut down on the amount of paperwork needed to be generated over the year for meetings, and it would be a handy reference to research questions and concerns brought to them by parents and residents.

Current Status of BOCES Budget

STATUS OF BOCES
BUDGET

Superintendent Sherman supplied printed copies of the Capital Region BOCES Proposed 2008-2009 Administrative Budget and the Proposed 2008-2009 Capital Budget, noting that Mr. Bonaker had set up these spread sheets previously when he had worked at BOCES. Superintendent Sherman stated that the Capital Budget is not the budget voted on in April, that only the Administrative Budget is voted on. Mr. Sherman spent time reviewing the different charts highlighting changes BOCES wide and specific to Schoharie CSD as part of the total over several years.

PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Mr. Reinhart that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint the following Volunteer Coaches for 2007-2008, effective 12/20/07.

APPOINT
VOLUNTEER COACHES

- Josh Martin
- Todd Clark
- James Goblet

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

It was verified that the volunteer coaches have taken courses in Physical Education, first aid, CPR, and child abuse prevention the same as a regular coach.

Motion was made by Mr. Reinhart, seconded by Mr. Schlieder that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint the following Volunteer Adventure club advisors for 2007-2008, effective 12/20/07.

APPOINT
VOLUNTEER ADVENTURE
CLUB ADVISORS

- George Vosburgh
- Peter Lopez
- Lisa Lopez

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

It was verified that there would be no expense to the District except insurance for the students.

Motion was made by Mr. Schlieder, seconded by Mr. Gathen that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint Michelle Borst to the probationary position as Teacher of Speech and Hearing Handicapped/Speech Pathologist (0.6 FTE), Masters Step 6, plus 16 - \$25,446 pro-rated (based on 2006-2007 salary schedule and subject to change) effective 01/22/2008.

APPOINT M. BORST
SPEECH & HEARING
HANDICAPPED/SPEECH
PATHOLOGIST

Yes-6

No- 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

It was verified to the Board that the position is for three days a week and would be paid at .6 of the full time pay of \$42,409.

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen , seconded by Mr. Reinhart that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint Marion Burghart to the position of Media Specialist at a stipend of \$619 (according to 2006-07 salary schedule and subject to change), effective retroactive to 9/1/07.

APPOINT M.
BURGHART
MEDIA
SPECIALIST

Yes-6

No- 0

Absent-1(Quandt)

Motion Carried

PERSONNEL – NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint the following individuals as substitutes and add their names to the Non-Certified Substitute List, various rates of pay depending upon position, effective 12/20/07.

APPOINT
NON-CERTIFIED
SUBSTITUTES

Kayla Garo

Roberta Adams

Matthew Poquette

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Reinhart, seconded by Mr. Schlieder that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to accept the Agreement between Barbara Smith, Business Office Secretary, and the District, dated 12/7/07.

ACCEPT AGREEMENT
B. SMITH, BUSINESS
OFFICE SECRETARY

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1(Quandt)

Motion Carried

Mrs. Smith thanked the Board.

Motion was made by Mr. Schlieder, seconded by Mr. Gathen that the Board of Education TABLE the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to establish the position of Transportation Supervisor.

TABLE POSITION
OF TRANSPORTATION
SUPERVISOR

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Questions were raised as to the financial impact on the school making the change of Mr. George Wilber’s present position which now includes the combined positions of both Head of Building and Grounds and Head of Transportation into two separate positions.

Mr. Bonaker shared that the increased cost to the District would be around \$36,000, including benefits. President Spies indicated discussion would continue in executive session.

BUSINESS

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Wilber that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer’s Report for November 2007.

TREASURER’S
REPORT

Yes –6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Wilber that the Board of Education authorize Budget Transfers as presented.

AUTHORIZE
BUDGET TRANSFERS

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Wilber that the Board of Education approve the following:

PAYMENT OF
WARRANT #6

Warrant #6 totaling \$651,459.62 from the General Fund; \$20,147.37 from the School Lunch Fund; \$15,982.11 from the Federal Fund; \$20,600.88 from the Capital Fund; \$15,366.53 from the Trust and Agency Fund; and -0- from the Expendable Trust Fund.

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Wilber that the Board of Education accept, with thanks, a donation from Fenimore Asset Management in the amount of \$750 for the Jr./Sr. High Band Trip to Virginia.

ACCEPT DONATION FOR
JR./SR. HIGH BAND TRIP
TO VIRGINIA

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Mr. Spies expressed thanks on behalf of the Board to Fenimore Asset Management.

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Ms. Wilber that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Committees and approve the authorization of funds to implement the special education program services and placements consistent with such recommendations regarding the following students:

CSE, CPSE
AND/OR 504
RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. #09066 Amendment Agreement
- 2. #9271A Initial Eligibility Determination
- 3. #9274A Initial Eligibility Determination
- 4. #9260A Requested Review
- 5. #9161 Requested Review
- 6. #9258A Amendment Agreement
- 7. #6605 Requested Review
- 8. #9279A Transfer Student
- 9. #9275A Initial Eligibility Determination

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

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BUSINESS

The following items were distributed to Board Members for information:

- 1. Various newspaper articles regarding Schoharie Central School
- 2. Request for School Business Administrator Internship
- 3. Labor Relations Report
- 4. Club Officer Information

President Spies stated that the next regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on January 2, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the High School Library Classroom. The ensuing Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on January 16, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the High School Library Classroom.

NEXT MEETINGS
1/2/08 AND 1/16/08

Motion was made by Mr. Schlieder, seconded by Mr. Gathen to enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiations, contractual agreements, and personnel matters relating to specific individuals.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent-1 (Quandt)

Motion Carried

Mr. Quandt arrived at 7:40 pm

President Spies declared the meeting to be in recess at 7:41 p.m.

RECESS MEETING

The Executive Session came to order at 7:52 p.m. with Mr. Spies, Mr. Schlieder, Mr. Quandt, Ms. Wilber, Ms. Schultz, Mr. Reinhart, Mr. Gathen, Superintendent Sherman, and Mr. Bonaker present.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Motion was made by Mr. Schlieder and seconded by Mr. Reinhart to come out of executive session at 10:56 p.m.

RECONVENE
MEETING

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Mr. Quandt, to deny the STA grievance (Coaching Assignments).

DENIAL OF
GREIVANCE

Yes-7

No- 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Schlieder, seconded by Mr. Quandt, to notify CASHIC of the District's intent to terminate membership in the consortium effective as of June 30, 2008.

WITHDRAW
FROM
CASHIC
6/30/08

Yes-7

No- 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Quandt, seconded by Mr. Gathen, to accept a donation from Pam Guest, of a Soloflex exercise machine for the new Fitness Center.

DONATION OF
MACHINE

Yes-7

No- 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Mr. Reinhart to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURN
MEETING

Yes – 7

No – 0

Motion Carried

President Spies declared the Regular Meeting of December 19, 2007 to be adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Smith
Substitute District Clerk