

**SCHOHARIE CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2007
TIME & PLACE: 7:00 P.M. – HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY CLASSROOM
KIND OF MEETING: SPECIAL - EXCEL AID PUBLIC FORUM
ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT: GATHEN, QUANDT, SCHLIEDER, SCHULTZ, SPIES, WILBER
ELECTED MEMBER(S) ABSENT: REINHART
APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT: BRIAN SHERMAN, SUPERINTENDENT
ROBERT BONAKER, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR
ROSEMARY WILBER, DISTRICT CLERK
ALSO PRESENT: GEORGE WILBER, SUPV. OF BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & TRANSPORTATION
JAMIAN ROCKHILL, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS
0 MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES; 7 DISTRICT RESIDENTS;
4 FACULTY MEMBERS

President Spies called the Special Board of Education Meeting of September 12, 2007 to order at 7:18 p.m.

Superintendent Sherman introduced Mr. Lou Buckman who gave a presentation on the proposed Track renovations. Mr. Buckman gave an overview using diagrams. He explained that new larger drain pipe would be installed in a deeper trench. It would be 8” perforated pipe and would be wrapped with stone for better drainage.

Mr. Gene Browning from DCLW (Dodge, Chamberlain, Luzine, Weber) Architects gave a summary of the discussion from the last Board of Education meeting on September 5th regarding the proposed EXCEL Aid project. Mr. Gathen asked if the ventilation proposed for the high school and elementary school could be scaled back. Mr. Browning indicated that it would not be a good idea, due to SED regulations.

President Spies asked if there were any questions from the audience.

Mr. Mike Meadows, a district resident, asked if there will be money allocated for security systems which would include cameras. President Spies replied that surveillance cameras are not part of this project.

Pamela Newell, a district resident, asked if outside cameras were in the last budget. President Spies said that they were not in the budget. Mr. Schlieder indicated that they had been put up for vote a few years ago, but the proposition was defeated.

President Spies said that Board Members toured the boys and girls locker rooms after the last meeting (August 15th). Members indicated that the lockers were in poor shape, but do not think they are a health and safety issue. Mr. Quandt feels that some of the work in the locker rooms could be done through the regular budget process.

Discussion continued regarding putting a fitness center in the project. Board Members indicated that they were investigating the possibility, but it was very preliminary. It was also noted that there was still a possibility of replacing the elementary physical education storage room with a bathroom.

Mr. Mike Meadows felt that the proposed project was well proportioned, but it would be very important to itemize the projects in the newspaper before the vote.

President Spies said discussion on the EXCEL Aid project would continue at the next meeting on September 19th. He said that the project could be put up for vote by district residents in mid to late November.

Motion was made by Mr. Gathen, seconded by Mr. Schlieder to adjourn the Special Board of Education Meeting.

Yes – 6

No – 0

Absent – 1 (Reinhart)

Motion Carried

President Spies declared the Special Meeting of September 12, 2007 to be adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Wilber
District Clerk