

**SCHOHARIE CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2011
TIME & PLACE: 7:00 P.M. – JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY CLASSROOM
KIND OF MEETING: REGULAR
ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT: BLEAU, BURTON, ISLES, JAQUEWAY, MONSEES, SCHULTZ, WILBER
ELECTED MEMBER(S) ABSENT: NONE
APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT: ROBERT BONAKER, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR
ROSEMARY WILBER, DISTRICT CLERK
ALSO PRESENT: STACEY DELANEY, JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
MARYELLEN GILLIS, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
LINDA NEVULIS, DIRECTOR OF PUPIL SERVICES
JAMIE ROCKHILL, JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AND
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
SHAWN GATHEN, SUPERVISOR OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
2 MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES; 2 DISTRICT RESIDENTS;
2 STAFF MEMBERS; 8 STUDENTS

An Audit Committee Meeting was held prior to the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

President Isles called the Regular Board of Education Meeting of October 19, 2011 to order at 7:11 pm. She mentioned that Mr. Bonaker was substituting this evening for Superintendent Sherman, who was on vacation. REGULAR MEETING

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded Mrs. Schultz to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on. October 5, 2011. APPROVE MINUTES
10/5/11

Yes – 6
No – 0
Abstain – 1 (Bleau) Motion Carried

Motion was made by Miss Wilber, seconded by Mrs. Jaqueway to approve the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting on. October 12, 2011. APPROVE MINUTES
10/12/11

Yes – 6
No – 0
Abstain –1 (Bleau) Motion Carried

President Isles reviewed the Agenda and October/November calendar of events and facilities use. The following were additions/changes to the agenda: CALENDAR
AND AGENDA

- Personnel – Add item b. – resignation, Amy Crewell, Bus Driver
- Personnel – Add item c. – approve Unpaid Leave of Absence – Michele Borst, Speech Therapist
- Personnel – Add item d. – approve change in bus route, Judith Durland, Bus Driver
- Personnel – Add item e. – approve change in bus route, Timothy Grady, Bus Driver
- Personnel – Add item f. – approve change in bus route, Carol Johnson, Bus Driver
- Personnel – Add Item g. – appoint winter coaches for 2011-12 school year
- Personnel – Add Item h. – approve Unpaid Leave of Absence – Stephanie Weinlein, High School Guidance Counselor

In reviewing the calendar, Miss Wilber made note that The Depot Lane Singers rehearsal scheduled for Tuesdays was not included in the calendar. Mr. Bonaker mentioned that the rehearsals have been scheduled and would appear on future facilities use schedule reports.

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THE FLOOR

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

BOE REPORT

Ms. Monsees reported that there will be a Schoharie County School Boards Association Meeting on October 27th. Miss Wilber and Mrs. Jaqueway also plan to attend.

HEAD START PRESENTATION

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PRESENTATION

Mrs. Isles introduced Ms. Colleen Mahar from the Head Start program. Ms. Mahar began by thanking the Board Members, Administration and staff for the opportunity to run their program at Schoharie Central School during the 2010-2011 school year. She said the year was very successful and Head Start was able to serve an additional 20 children in the Schoharie area. She said by having the class in the Elementary School it allowed Head Start to provide several parent education programs.

Ms. Mahar reported that the Head Start program started classes for 2011-12 on September 26th, which was approximately one week later than normal due to the state of emergency from Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. She said Head Start lost their North Blenheim Center due to the storms, as well as computers and other equipment and supplies.

President Isles thanked Ms. Mahar for her report and said that the District could possibly help to replace the computers Head Start lost with computer equipment the District no longer uses and is replacing.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

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Update on Generator Project

Mr. Bonaker gave an updated report on the new Generator Project. He said the Board of Education, by a resolution adopted on September 8th, authorized the administration to do what was necessary to install generators which would make Schoharie Central School a 24/7 designated shelter and emergency facility if the need arises.

Mr. Bonaker reported that the “old tunnel” has been knocked down and the area has been made Ready for a concrete pad. Mr. Gathen reported that the excavating and pouring of concrete will Be done in-house by the maintenance staff.

Mr. Bonaker said the project is 83.8% state aided and the District will receive any money spent this year during the 2012-13 school year. He said the estimated cost of the three generators is approximately \$518,000 plus any additional costs associated with hook-ups, the concrete pad, etc. He said the total budget for the project would be about \$675,000. Authorization from the Board will Be necessary to draw from the undesignated fund balance and move it to the Capital Fund. The District Share of the project would be close to \$120,000. He said that Superintendent Sherman is trying to secure Grants or alternative funding for the local share.

Mr. Bonaker said this item would be on the agenda for the November 2nd Board of Education Meeting.

Miss Wilber asked what the timeline is for completion. Mr. Gathen responded that, realistically, it will probably be the middle of December.

Mr. Burton asked if it was necessary to have a generator in each building as well as the garage. Mr. Bonaker responded that, yes it was necessary.

PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint Marion Burghart as Mentor for Angela Pinkel, effective retroactive to 9/23/11, for approximately 6 weeks, \$1,530 (pro-rated)

APPOINT
M. BURGHART
MENTOR

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Jaqueway, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Amy Crewell, Bus Driver, effective 11/3/11.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION
A. CREWELL
BUS DRIVER

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Schultz, seconded by Miss Wilber that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to approve an unpaid Leave of Absence to Michele Borst, Speech Therapist, 1/27/12 through 6/22/12.

APPROVE UNPAID
LEAVE OF ABSENCE
M. BORST, SPEECH
THERAPIST

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Jaqueway that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to approve a change in the bus route of Judith Durland, Bus Driver, approximately 1.25 hours in the AM and 3.5 hours in the PM, 5 days per week, effective 10/20/11.

APPROVE BUS
ROUTE CHANGE
J. DURLAND

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Bleau, seconded by Mr. Burton that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to approve a change in the bus route of Timothy Grady, Bus Driver, approximately 2 hours in the AM and 2 hours in the PM, effective 10/20/11.

APPROVE BUS
ROUTE CHANGE
T. GRADY

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Miss Wilber, seconded by Mr. Bleau that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to approve a change in the bus route of Carol Johnson, Bus Driver, approximately 1.75 hours in the AM, 5 days per week, effective 10/20/11. This is an additional duty.

APPROVE BUS
ROUTE CHANGE
C. JOHNSON

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Bleau, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to appoint the following individuals as coaches for the 2011-12 school year:

APPOINT
COACHES

John Sorady	Assistant Wrestling	E-3	\$3,180
Shawn Gathen	Varsity Girls Basketball	E-2	\$3,920
Tracey Hardendorf	Bowling	E-2	\$1,900

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Ms. Monsees that the Board of Education Table the approval of an Unpaid Leave of Absence for Stephanie Weinlein, High School Guidance Counselor, for discussion in Executive Session.

TABLE UNPAID LEAVE
OF ABSENCE
S. WEINLEIN
HIGH SCHOOL
GUIDANCE
COUNSELOR

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

BUSINESS

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the Treasurer’s Reports for August and September, 2011. (copy attached to Official Minutes)

ACCEPT
TREASURER’S
REPORTS

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the Quarterly Budget Transfer Report as presented.

QUARTERLY BUDGET
TRANSFER

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

The Board received the Budget Status Report for review.

BUDGET STATUS
REPORT

The Board received the report of the Claims Auditor for the September, 2011 Warrant in the amount of \$504,839.95

CLAIMS WARRANT
SEPTEMBER 2011

Motion was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education approve Budget Transfers for the salary of the Distance Learning Classroom Teaching Assistant. (copy attached to Official Minutes)

APPROVE BUDGET
TRANSFERS

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Miss Wilber that the Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$250 from Wal-Mart for the Wee Read Program.

ACCEPT DONATION
FROM WALMART

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education reject all bids for a pick-up truck with a rear dump bed, and to authorize revised specifications and the solicitation of new bids.

REJECT BIDS FOR
PICK-UP TRUCK
REVISE SPECIFICATIONS
AND SOLICITATION OF
BIDS

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Miss Wilber, seconded by Mr. Burton that the Board of Education approve the Resolution to Accept the Independent Audit Report for the 2010-2011 school year. (copy attached to Official Minutes)

APPROVE RESOLUTION
ACCEPT INDEPENDENT
AUDIT REPORT FOR
2010-2011

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mrs. Jaqueway that the Board of Education approve the budget calendar for the 2012-2013 budget process, with the following correction:

APPROVE BUDGET
CALENDAR

Page 2 – Public Hearing – should read 2012-13 Budget

Yes – 7

No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Schultz 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
RECOMMENDATION

1. #09285 Amendment – Agreement No Meeting
2. #6190 Reevaluation Transfer Student
3. #0283 Transfer Student – Agreement No Meeting
4. #90065 Reevaluation Transfer Student
5. #09842 Amendment – Agreement No Meeting
6. #0061 Amendment – Agreement No Meeting
7. #09890 Requested Review
8. #0447 Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting

Yes – 6

No – 0

Abstain – 1 (Jaqueway)

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education designate 10/17/11 through 10/21/11 as School Bus Safety Week.

BUS SAFETY WEEK
10/17/11 – 10/21/11

Yes – 7

No – 0

Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

OTHER
BUSINESS

The following items were distributed to Board Members for review:

- Newspaper articles pertaining to Schoharie Central School

President Isles stated that the next regular Board of Education Meetings will be as follows:

NEXT MEETINGS

- Regular Meeting on November 2, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the High School Library Classroom
- Regular Meeting on November 16, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the High School Library Classroom

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mr. Burton to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and specific personnel matters.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Yes – 7

No – 0

Motion Carried

President Isles declared the meeting to be in recess at 7:56 p.m.

RECESS

The Executive Session came to order at 8:08 p.m. with Mr. Bleau, Mr. Burton, Mrs. Isles, Mrs. Jaqueway, Ms. Monsees, Mrs. Schultz, Miss Wilber, and Mr. Bonaker present. Mrs. Delaney was also in attendance for three minutes at the start of the Executive Session.

BEGIN
EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Motion was made by Ms. Monsees, seconded by Mrs. Jaqueway to end the Executive Session and return to the Regular Meeting.

END EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

President Isles declared the Regular Meeting to be reconvened at 8:56 p.m.

RECONVENE MEETING

Motion was made by Miss Wilber, seconded by Mrs. Schultz that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Superintendent Sherman to approve an Unpaid Leave of Absence for Stephanie Weinlein, High School Guidance Counselor, from 1/3/12 through 1/3/13.

UNPAID LEAVE
OF ABSENCE
S. WEINLEIN
HIGH SCHOOL
GUIDANCE
COUNSELOR

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

Motion was made by Miss Wilber, seconded by Ms. Monsees to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

ADJOURN

Yes – 7
No – 0

Motion Carried

President Isles declared the meeting of October 19, 2011 to be adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Wilber
District Clerk