

January 12, 2010

President John Wapner (left the meeting at 7:21 p.m.; returned 7:24 p.m.) called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. The meeting was held in the high school library. Board members in attendance were Elizabeth Macfarlane, Vice President; James Toteno (arrived at 7:55 p.m.); Michael Clark; David O'Connor; Melony Spock; Fred Hutchinson; Denise Dapice (arrived at 7:55 p.m.); and Francis Iaconetti.

Also in attendance were Cheryl Nuciforo, Superintendent; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; John Thorsen, High School Co-Principal; Kristen Reno, Elementary School Principal; Scott Steltz, Athletic Director. The audience consisted of members of the community and newspaper reporters.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Board conducted the following business.

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as written or amended. **Motion Carried 7-0**

APPROVE AGENDA

There were no public comments.

Ms. Nuciforo informed the Board of the School of Character award earned by the Chatham Middle School. This award qualifies the Middle School for a national level of competition.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORTS - SCHOOL OF  
CHARACER AWARD - MS

Mr. Wapner presented Scott Steltz with a Coach of the Year certificate in recognition of his accomplishments as the District's Athletic Director.

COACH OF THE YEAR  
AWARD

John Thorsen and Scott Steltz presented the Board with a phase one proposal to acknowledge the boys' JV volleyball team as a competitive participant in its respective section. The cost associated with the change would be approximately \$2,000.

BOYS' JV VOLLEYBALL

Ms. Nuciforo discussed the fundraising study completed by Lee Bordick. The study included information on existing fundraising accounts, procedures and accountability.

FUNDRAISING STUDY

Ms. Nuciforo presented the Board with information from the District's financial institution regarding the internal safeguards in place to prevent unauthorized banking transactions. Ms. Nuciforo explained the expanded precautions that have been put in place at a District level to establish security measures.

FINANCIAL SECURITY

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Ms. Nuciforo presented a preliminary discussion regarding the state aid revenue outlook and the measure taken by the District to lessen the financial impact of delayed or adjusted funds.

REVENUE OUTLOOK

Ms. Nuciforo presented information regarding the one-bell system and the estimated \$190,000 in savings to the District. The bus purchase agreement program was also discussed.

ONE-BELL SYSTEM/BUS  
PURCHASE PLAN

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education approve **R. 50** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Product Service Agreement with Linstar, Inc., for preventive and on-call maintenance services for the District's data card identification system for the period February 13, 2010 through February 12, 2011, at a cost of \$1,176.00. **Motion Carried 7-0**

LINSTAR AGREEMENT

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 51** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the annual Public School Fire Inspection Reports for submission to the NYS Education Department Fire Safety Unit. **Motion Carried 7-0**

ANNUAL FIRE INSPECTION  
REPORTS

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education approve **R. 52** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the January 12, 2010 Board meeting, as written. **Motion Carried 7-0**

CONSENSUS AGENDA

That the Board of Education accept the minutes of the December 22, 2009 and January 5, 2010 Board of Education meetings.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES

That the Board of Education amend the Grade Level Leader appointment for Grade 10 to reflect Amanda Carroll as sole leader, and accept the resignation of Jill Chittenden as shared leader, effective December 24, 2009.

AMEND GRADE LEVEL  
LEADER- AMANDA  
CARROLL

That the Board of Education amend the work day of Jeffrey Braley, bus driver, from 6 hours/day to 8 hours/day, effective January 4, 2009, at the same rate of pay.

AMEND WORKDAY-JEFF  
BRALEY

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Christian Carr, full-time custodian, effective January 8, 2010.

RESIGNATION-  
C.CARR

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*Please note: All appointments are contingent upon NYSED clearance from the fingerprint supported criminal background check, as required by Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000.*

That the Board of Education appoint Elizabeth Barber, who holds initial certification in the area of Childhood Education (grades 1-6), to a 1.0 FTE temporary position as elementary education teacher, effective January 7, 2010 through March 12, 2010, at the per diem certified teacher substitute pay rate of \$85 per day.

APPOINT – E.BARBER

That the Board of Education appoint William Kappel as permanent part-time bus driver for 2 hours/day, at the pay rate of \$15.85 per hour, effective January 11, 2010.

APPOINT-W.KAPPEL

That the Board of Education appoint Sherry E. Scism as per diem substitute bus driver, effective January 4, 2010, at the substitute pay rate of \$15.35 per hour.

APPOINT-S.SCISM

That the Board of Education appoint Vincent Vigliante as per diem substitute bus attendant, effective January 7, 2010, at the substitute pay rate of \$14.35 per hour.

APPOINT-V.VIGLIANTE

That the Board of Education appoint Brian Hoolihan as a per diem substitute teacher, effective January 13, 2010, at the per diem substitute pay rate.

APPOINT-B.HOLLIHAN

That the Board of Education accept a donation to the Chatham Public Library on behalf of the family and friends of Dr. Harold Cummings, in the amount of \$305.00 and in memory of Dr. Cummings, to purchase books and printed materials, and increase the 2009-10 budget by the same amount.

ACCEPT DONATION-PUBLIC LIBRARY

That the Board of Education approve the following Change Orders in connection with the 6 million dollar capital improvement project:

CHANGE ORDERS

-#04-06 for Brownell Electric in the amount of \$5,690 for HS electrical work.

-#04-07 for Brownell Electric in the amount of \$4,654 for MED electrical work.

-#02-05 for James A. Edgar Company, Inc. for a decrease of \$2,529.83 for roofing work at MED.

-#02-06 for James A. Edgar Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,626.81 for MS roofing work.

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That the Board of Education declare the following list of surplus equipment as obsolete for bid or disposal in accordance with policy #6900:

SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Surplus Item	Condition	#	Status	Location
Wooden Student Desks	Fair	8	Obsolete	MED
Wooden Student Chairs	Fair	16	Obsolete	MED
1/2 Round Computer Desk	Good	1	Not in use	MED
Oak Teacher Desk	Fair	1	Not in use	MED
Plastic Student Chairs	Fair	20	Not in use	MED
30" X 60" Adjustable Table	Good	1	Not in use	MED
36" X 42" Metal Shelving Unit	Poor	1	Obsolete	MED
2 Drawer Filing Cabinet	Fair	1	Obsolete	MED
Wooden Drying Rack	Fair	1	Obsolete	MED
30" X 60" Wooden Table	Fair	1	Not in use	MED
Wenger Rolling Cart	Fair	1	Not in use	MED
2 X 4 Storage Cabinet - Wooden	Fair	4	Not in use	MED
2' X 6" X 8' Table	Good	1	Not in use	MED
Trapezoid Table	Fair	1	Non functional	MED
Wooden Childrens Kitchen Cabinet	Poor	1	Obsolete	MED
2X6X4 Wooden Storage Shelving	Fair	1	Obsolete	MED
1/2 Round Table 6'	Good	2	Not in use	MED
2'X6"X5' Wooden Table	Fair	1	Not in use	MED
Computer Desk w/ Hutch Top	Fair	1	Not in use	MED
4' Round Table	Fair	3	Not in use	MED
5' Round Table	Good	1	Not in use	MED
Various Upholstered Side Chairs	Poor	4	Non functional	MED
3X6 Table	Fair	1	Not in use	MED
Electric Wall Clocks	Good	70	Non functional	MED
Oscilloscope	Poor	1	Broken	CHS
Pioneer Laser Disc	Poor	1	Broken	CHS
Office Size Vinyl Chairs	Poor	5	Not in use	CHS
Office Chair	Poor	1	Not in use	CHS
Computer Tables	Good	4	Not in use	CHS
Metal Teacher Desk	Fair	3	Not in use	CHS
Boxes of various Books	Fair	14	Not in use	CHS
Art Firing Kiln	Good	1	Not in use	CHS
Metal Computer Carts	Fair	2	Not in use	CMS
Plastic Student Chairs	Poor	39	Non functional	CMS
Student Desks	Poor	22	Non functional	CMS
20" Television - Quesar	Poor	1	Broken	CMS
2 Drawer Filing Cabinet	Poor	2	Broken	CMS
4 Drawer Filing Cabinet	Poor	2	Broken	CMS
48" Round Table	Fair	1	Not in use	CMS
Roll Paper Rack	Poor	1	Obsolete	CMS
Corner Computer Desk	Poor	1	Broken	CMS
5 Drawer Lateral Filing Cabinet	Poor	1	Broken	CMS
Teachers Desks	Poor	2	Obsolete	CMS
6' Table	Poor	1	Broken	CMS
Printer Stand	Poor	1	Broken	CMS
Metal Computer Cart	Fair	1	Not in use	CMS
TV Cart	Good	1	Not in use	CMS

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The Finance Committee has not met.  
The Audit Committee has not met.  
The Library Committee has not met.

The Policy Committee will have 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> drafts presented at the next Board meeting.

The Facilities Committee is scheduled to meet on January 15, 2010 following the Referendum vote.

The Liaison Committee has met and minutes will be presented at the Board meeting scheduled for January 26, 2010.

The Bi-County School Boards has met. Five new districts have ratified agreements with the Board and are continuously engaging other Districts.

Items for Review include the student Board member position, bus purchase program criteria for size and capacity, and the application for inclusion to the Columbia County pre-school evaluation location selection.

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education appoint Cheryl Nuciforo as District Clerk Pro-temp for the remainder of the meeting. **Motion Carried 7-0**

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss collective negotiations and the employment history of a particular person leading to the appointment, promotion or discipline of a particular person. **Motion Carried 7-0**  
Entered Executive Session at 7:54 p.m.

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education resume Open Session. **Motion Carried 9-0**

The Board of Education unanimously agreed to suspend the meeting for the purpose of attending the closing of the polls of the January 12, 2010 Referendum vote. The meeting was suspended at 9:00 p.m.

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Francis Iaconetti that the Board of Education enter Executive Session. **Motion Carried 9-0**  
Entered Executive Session at 9:12 p.m.

## BOARD COMMITTEES

## ITEMS FOR REVIEW

## DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

## OPEN SESSION

## SUSPEND MEETING

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that  
the Board of Education resume Open Session.

OPEN SESSION

**Motion Carried 9-0**

Open Session resumed at 9:21 p.m.

Motion by Elizabeth Macfarlane, seconded by Fred Hutchinson,  
that the Board of Education adjourn the January 12, 2010 Board of  
Education meeting.

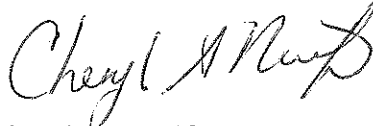
ADJOURNMENT

**Motion Carried 9-0**

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.



Diane T. Malecki  
District Clerk



Cheryl A. Nuciforo  
District Clerk Pro-Temp