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President John Wapner called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. The meeting was held in the high school library. Board members in attendance were Elizabeth Macfarlane; Michael Clark (left at 6:34 p.m., returned 6:36 p.m.); Francis Iaconetti; David O'Connor; Melony Spock; and, James Toteno. Denise Dapice and Fred Hutchinson were absent.

Also in attendance were Cheryl A. Nuciforo, Superintendent; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; Kristen Reno, elementary school Principal; John Thorsen, high school Co-Principal; and Gordon Fitting, middle school Principal. The audience consisted of staff, members of the public.

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

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as amended. **Motion Carried 6-0**

APPROVE AGENDA

2010-2011 BUDGET HEARING – Ms. Nuciforo presented the 2010-2011 budget for Chatham CSD through a power point reflecting the increase in tax levy to be 2.54% and the change in the District operating budget as 0.72% decrease for a total budget of \$26,614,687 for the 2010-2011 school year. The budget vote will take place in the Mary E. Dardess Elementary School gymnasium from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm on May 18, 2010.

BUDGET HEARING

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

1. Capital Project Update – Ms. Nuciforo discussed the SEQRA resolution is on the agenda for the Board's action. There was discussion regarding the proposed technology upgrades and voice over IP system to be included in Phase I of the construction project.

CAPITAL PROJECT

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education remove from the table **Resolution #74**. **Motion Carried 7-0**

OLD BUSINESS – **R. 74**

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 74** as follows:

WHEREAS, Richard McCarthy, an owner of real property situate in the Town of Ghent and the Chatham Central School District and, identified as Tax Parcel Nos. 84.-1-33, 84.-2-59.1 and 84.-2-19.111, has commenced litigation against the Town of Ghent Board of Assessment Review

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contesting the assessments of the above parcels; and
WHEREAS, the Town of Ghent has requested that the County of Columbia and the Chatham Central School District contribute to the necessary legal costs and expenses with regard to defending said Tax Proceeding in the following proportions:

- (a)50%-Chatham Central School District
- (b)40%-County of Columbia
- (c)10%-Town of Ghent

and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been advised by legal counsel that the above sharing ratio is proper and in the best interests of the School District; now therefore, it is **RESOLVED**, that the Chatham Central School District pay 50% of the necessary litigation costs and expenses incurred in the defense of the above referenced Tax Review Proceedings.

ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of the Chatham Central School District on the 11th day of May, 2010. **Motion Carried 6-1**
(Francis Iaconetti voted no on **R. 74.**)

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education approve **R. 98** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Chatham Central School Teachers' Association dated May 7, 2010 regarding a retirement incentive. **Motion Carried 7-0**

MOA – TEACHERS'
ASSOC.

Motion by Melony Spock, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 99** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt the Equal Educational Opportunities Policy #5020 as read at the March 9 and April 27, 2010. **Motion Carried 7-0**

EQUAL EDUCATIONAL
OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 100** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt the Equal Employment Opportunity Policy #9110, as read at the March 9 and April 27, 2010 meetings. **Motion Carried 7-0**

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY POLICY

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education approve **R. 101** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt the Audit Committee Charter, as read as the March 9 and April 27, 2010 meetings. **Motion Carried 7-0**

AUDIT COMMITTEE
CHARTER

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Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education approve **R. 102** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the collateralization agreement with First Niagara Bank, as of May 11, 2010 as recommended by the Board Finance Committee.

Motion Carried 7-0

COLLATERALIZATION
AGREEMENT

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 103** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education award the Capital Project Technology bid to Carousel, Albany, New York, for Network Upgrades in the amount of **\$126,659.00** and VoIP in the amount of \$166,508.00, for a total of **\$293,167.00**.

Motion Carried 7-0

CAPITAL PROJECT
TECHNOLOGY BID

Motion by Elizabeth Macfarlane, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education approve **R. 104** as follows:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Chatham Central School District (hereinafter the "Board") seeks to undertake a district-wide capital improvement project;

WHEREAS, the Board is required to undertake a review pursuant to the regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (hereinafter "SEQRA") prior to the approval of the capital improvement project with SED Project Number 10-10-01-04-0-003-019;

WHEREAS, the capital improvement project is anticipated to be an Unlisted Action under the provisions of the Act and the Board will be conducting a coordinated review;

WHEREAS, the Board seeks to act as lead agency in that review;

WHEREAS, the Board has received and reviewed Part I of the Environmental Assessment Form (hereinafter "EAF") prepared by its architect, SEI Design Group.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education as follows:

The Superintendent of Schools is directed to sign Part I of the EAF as the project applicant and shall circulate the same to all other involved agencies with notification of the Board's intent to act as lead agency for SEQRA purposes.

Motion Carried 7-0

SEQRA – CAPITAL
PROJECT

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock, that the Board of Education approve **R.105** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the May 11, 2010 Board meeting, as written.

Motion carried 7-0

CONSENSUS AGENDA

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The Consensus Agenda consists of:

That the Board of Education accept the minutes of the April 13, April 20, April 27, and May 4, 2010 Board of Education meetings.

BOARD MINUTES

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Allyson Bauer, elementary education teacher, effective August 31, 2010.

RESIGNATION –A.BAUER

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Rebecca A. Hoff, library aide, effective April 24, 2010.

RESIGNATION – R.HOFF

That the Board of Education approve the request of Elle Dietemann, French teacher, to extend her .4 FTE leave of absence for the 2010-2011 school year.

EXTEND LEAVE –
E.DIETEMANN

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 approve the following per diem substitutes, effective May 11, 2010:

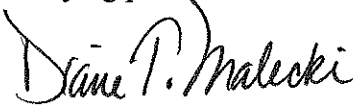
PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

Rebecca A. Hoff, Public Library aide
Monique Szafran, TA/Teacher Aide

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Finance Committee – meeting was rescheduled
Audit Committee – will meet May 13
Library Committee – will meet the week of May 17
Policy Committee - met this evening May 11
Curriculum Committee – met the week of May 3
Facilities Committee – met May 7
Liaison Committee – has not met
Bi-County School Boards – has met and drawn a draft organizational framework
Items for Review – Current legislation in process regarding bullying prevention in school districts.

BOARD COMMITTEES



Diane T. Malecki
District Clerk

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education appoint Cheryl Nuciforo as District Clerk Pro-temp for the remainder of the meeting.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-
TEMP

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Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss collective negotiations, the employment history of a particular person leading to the appointment, promotion or discipline of a particular person, and proposed, pending, or current litigation.

Motion Carried 7-0

Entered Executive Session at 7:16 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Francis Iaconetti, seconded by Elizabeth Macfarlane, that the Board of Education resume Open Session.

Motion Carried 7-0

Resumed Open Session at 9:02 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Francis Iaconetti, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education adjourn the May 11, 2010 meeting.

Motion Carried 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.



Cheryl A. Nuciforo
District Clerk Pro-Temp

ADJOURNMENT