

May 13, 2008

President John Wapner called the Workshop Meeting and Budget Hearing to order at 6:31 p.m. The meeting was held in the high school library. Board members in attendance were Elizabeth Macfarlane (left the meeting at 7:26, returned at 7:28 p.m.); Michael Clark; Denise Dapice (arrived at 6:34 p.m.); Francis Iaconetti; David O'Connor; Wayne Rose; and, James Toteno (left the meeting at 7:04, returned at 7:07 p.m.).

Also in attendance were G. Scott Hunter, Superintendent; Dr. Phyllis McGill, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; Charlotte Frye, Elementary School Principal; Ron Davis, High School Principal; John Thorsen, High School Assistant Principal; and, Gordon Fitting, Middle School Principal.

The audience consisted of school staff, members of the community, and a newspaper reported.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Board heard the following motions.

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as written or amended.

Motion Carried 7-0

(Denise Dapice arrived at 6:34 p.m.)

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 102** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the claim for mileage reimbursement from G. Scott Hunter, for documented expenses in the amount of \$227.70 for 2005-2006 and in the amount of \$751.69 for 2006-2007.

Motion Carried 7-1

(Denise Dapice abstained from the vote.)

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT
– G.S. HUNTER

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education approve **R. 103** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt Policy #6100, Annual Budget, as read at the March 25 and April 22, 2008 Board meetings.

Motion Carried 8-0

POLICY #6100 ANNUAL
BUDGET

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 104** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt Policy #4321.7, Assessment of Students with Disabilities, as read at the March 25 and April 22, 2008 Board meeting.

Motion Carried 8-0

POLICY #4321.7
ASSESSMENT OF STUDENTS
WITH DISABILITIES

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Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 105** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt Policy #4321.3, Independent Educational Evaluations, as read at the March 25 and April 22, 2008. **Motion Carried 8-0**

POLICY #4321.3
INDEPENDENT
EDUCATIONAL
EVALUATIONS

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 106** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt Policy #4321.11, Disproportionality in Special Education, as read at the March 25 and April 22, 2008 Board meeting. **Motion Carried 8-0**

POLICY #4321.11
DISPROPORTIONALITY IN
SPECIAL EDUCATION

Workshop Items:

NYS School Report Card: Dr. McGill and building Principals presented the results of Chatham's School Report Card. It was reported that the District accomplished Adequate Yearly Progress. Scott Hunter spoke to the fact that the graduation rate is under a great deal of discussion by State officials. Chatham's calculation of graduation rate is very close to the State's calculation.

SCHOOL REPORT CARD

Mid-Year Accountability Reports: Dr. McGill and building Principals continued the presentation of the Mid-Year Accountability Reports, as begun at the April 8, 2008 Workshop Meeting. The Principals provided a verbal summary of their progress toward accomplishment of Strategic Planning goals. John Wapner related his participation in the Art Exhibit at Spencertown which was made possible by the Chatham Foundation Grants. Dr. Wapner asked Dr. McGill if it would be possible to get a report that compares Chatham with other districts. Dr. McGill will research the possibility.

MID-YEAR
ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

Public comment was heard pertaining to ridership of District buses. Community members have observed empty buses on routes. A suggestion was made by a member of the community to institute a one-bell system (one-tier bus run). Mr. Hunter stated that the District has plans to undertake a full study of transportation routing in 2008-2009.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Future Agenda Items: Denise Dapice suggested that the Liaison Committee would like to discuss the superintendent search. David O'Connor suggested including a discussion of engaging a staffing consultant. Mr. O'Connor also requested a discussion about management of fields and property.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Elizabeth Macfarlane, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss potential litigation, the promotion, evaluation, or discipline of particular employees, and collective bargaining.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Carried 8-0

Entered Executive Session at 9: 10 p.m.

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education return to Open Session. **Motion Carried 8-0**
Returned to Open Session at 9:49 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Wayne Rose, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education appoint Scott Hunter as District Clerk Pro-Temp for the remainder of the Workshop meeting.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP

Motion Carried 8-0

Motion by Elizabeth Macfarlane, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education adjourn the May 13, 2008 Workshop Meeting. **Motion Carried 8-0**

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Diane T. Malecki
District Clerk

G. Scott Hunter
District Clerk Pro-Temp

