

May 27, 2008

President John Wapner called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. The meeting was held in the high school library. Board members in attendance were Elizabeth Macfarlane, Vice President; Ric Campbell, Michael Clark, Denise Dapice (left the meeting at 7:10 p.m., returned at 7:13 p.m.), Francis Iaconetti, David O'Connor, Wayne Rose, and James Toteno (left the meeting at 7:30 p.m., returned at 7:33 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; Ron Davis, High School Principal; and, Larry Burud, Middle School Assistant Principal.

The audience consisted of staff and members of the public.

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

Motion by Ric Campbell, seconded by David O'Connor, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as written or amended. **Motion Carried 8-0**

APPROVE AGENDA

Superintendent's Reports

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORTS

1. Recognition of Envirothon Team: A Certificate of Accomplishment will be given to each student in the group congratulating the team on its Columbia County championship.
2. Biennial Review of Shared Decision Making Plan – Phyllis McGill: The District scored well in this review. The District is progressing through the six component areas. State Education Department data indicate that the District is making significant strides to close the gap in subgroup performance.
3. Indoor Track Decision Timeline – Ron Davis: John Wapner asked the administration how this can be handled in the 2008-2009 budget. Scott Hunter indicated that there are contingent monies that can be used for the indoor track program, should the Board chose to approve it.

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Ric Campbell, that the Board of Education approve **R. 107** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the April 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, and May 9, 13,, 14, 15, and 16, 2008 recommendations of the Committee on Special Education,

CSE/PSE
RECOMMENDATIONS

May 27, 2008

and the April 10, 21 and May 16, 2008 recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education. **Motion Carried 9-0**

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education approve **R. 108** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education re-certify the Shared Decision Making Plan as a result of the 2008 biennial review.

Motion Carried 9-0

SHARED DECISION MAKING
PLAN

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 109** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Allyson Bauer in the area of elementary, effective September 1, 2008.

Motion Carried 9-0

TENURE – A. BAUER

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 110** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to John Brantley in the area of physical education and recreation, effective September 1, 2008.

Motion Carried 9-0

TENURE – J. BRANTLEY

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 111** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Shawn Caldwell in the area of industrial arts, effective September 1, 2008.

Motion Carried 9-0

TENURE – S. CALDWELL

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 112** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Alicia Crowd in the area of foreign languages (Spanish), effective September 1, 2008.

Motion Carried 9-0

TENURE – A. CROWD

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 113** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Christine Fahey in the area of art, effective September 1, 2008.

Motion Carried 9-0

TENURE – C. FAHEY

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 114** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Justin Forrest in the area of science, effective September 1, 2008.

Motion Carried 9-0

TENURE – J. FORREST

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 115** as follows: **BE IT**

TENURE – A. GAINER

May 27, 2008

RESOLVED that the Board of Education grant tenure to Ann Gainer in the area of school media specialist (library), effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – E. GANSOWSKI

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 116** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Erin Gansowski in the area of foreign languages (French), effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – M. HAYES

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 117** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Maria Hayes in the area of home economics, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – M. HOGENCAMP

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 118** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Maria Hogencamp in the area of elementary education, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – K.
KASZUBOWSKI

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 119** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Kevin Kaszubowski in the area of English, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – T. KELLY

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 120** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Tracy Kelly in the area of school social worker, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – K. LADD

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 121** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Kathelyn Ladd in the area of elementary education, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – J. MADDALLA

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 122** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Jennifer Maddalla in the area of elementary education, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

May 27, 2008

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 123** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Sara Murray in the area of elementary education, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – S. MURRAY

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 124** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Connie Peck in the area of elementary education, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – C. PECK

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 125** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education grant tenure to Darren Rosenbaum in the area of social studies, effective September 1, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

TENURE – D. ROSENBAUM

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education approve **R. 126** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the overnight camping trip for MED Adventures in Peace Making students on June 5-6, 2008. **Motion Carried 9-0**

FIELD TRIP – MED
ADVENTURES IN PEACH
MAKING

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 127** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve payment for prior year "Long Range Facilities Planning" fiscal advisor services to Bernard P. Donegan, Inc. for services rendered by Dr. Rick Timbs in the amount of \$7,696.81 for 2005-06, and in the amount of \$12,289.31 for 2006-07. **Motion Carried 9-0**

APPROVE PAYMENT – B. P.
DONEGAN, INC.

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Denise Dapice, that the Board of Education approve **R. 128** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the results of the 2008-2009 Annual Budget Vote & Election, held on May 20, 2008, as reported by Keith Flint, Esq., Chairperson of the Annual Meeting as follows:

BUDGET VOTE RESULTS

Budget Passed: 492 YES, 356 NO
Proposition 1 - Capital Project Passed: 423 YES, 413 NO
Proposition 2 - Establish Capital Reserve Fund
Passed: 435 YES, 389 NO
Proposition 3 - 3-year Elective Terms for Board Members
Passed: 640 YES, 191 NO
Proposition 4 - School Bus Purchase
Passed: 482 YES, 357 NO

May 27, 2008

School Board Member Election (5 year term):
Fred Hutchinson-426, Wayne Rose-309

Motion Carried 9-0

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Denise Dapice, that the Board of Education approve **R. 129** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Rhinebeck Architecture and Planning, P.C., for post-referendum professional services, not to exceed a stipulated sum fee of \$475,000.

Motion Carried 9-0

APPROVE AGREEMENT –
RHINEBECK
ARCHITECTURE &
PLANNING

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education approve **R. 130** as follows: **WHEREAS**, the Chatham Central School District has established a retirement plan (the "Plan") under Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code");

WHEREAS, participants and beneficiaries under the Plan have been able to exchange contracts among various investment providers pursuant to Internal Revenue Service Revenue Ruling 90-24;

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service has issued final regulations under Section 403(b) of the Code, in relevant part, require the Chatham Central School District to share information with those investment providers recognized under the Plan to ensure compliance with Section 403(b) of the Code and the regulations thereunder for any contract exchanges made among these investment providers as permitted under the Plan on or after September 25, 2007;

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service's final regulations under Section 403(b) of the Code require that, if the Plan permits exchanges among its recognized investment providers, the Chatham Central School District must enter into a written agreement no later than January 1, 2009 with those investment providers receiving an exchange on or after September 25, 2007 and before January 1, 2009. In situations where the investment provider is first approved by the Plan on or after January 1, 2009, the written agreement must be entered no later than the date of the first exchange into a 403(b) contract issued by such investment provider.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Effective September 24, 2007 the Board of Education of the Chatham Central School District (the "Board") authorizes the District to share information with investment providers receiving contract exchanges under the Plan on or after September 25, 2007 and before January 1, 2009 to ensure compliance with Section 403(b) of the Code and the regulations thereunder;

INTERNAL REVENUE CODE
OF 1986 – SECTION 403(b)

May 27, 2008

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: the Board authorizes the District to enter into an information sharing agreement no later than January 1, 2009 with investment providers receiving contract exchanges under the Plan on or after September 25, 2007, in accordance with the requirements of Section 403(b) of the Code and the regulations thereunder;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: the Board authorizes the District to enter into an information sharing agreement with any investment provider first receiving a contract exchange under the Plan after January 1, 2009 no later than at the time of the first such exchange. **Motion Carried 9-0**

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, to table items 1.2.b and 1.2.c from the Consensus Agenda

Motion Defeated 3-6

(Michael Clark, David O'Connor, John Wapner, Denise Dapice, Ric Campbell, and Elizabeth Macfarlane voted No.)

TABLE ITEMS

Motion by Michael Clark, seconded by Elizabeth Macfarlane, that the Board of Education remove items I.2b. and I.2c. from the Consensus Agenda and act on these items as **Resolution #132.**

Motion Carried 9-0

ADD RESOLUTION

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 131** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the May 27, 2008 Board meeting, as written.

Motion Carried 9-0

CONSENSUS AGENDA

Motion by Elizabeth Macfarlane, seconded by Ric Campbell, that the Board of Education approve **R. 132** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve items I.2.b. and I.2.c as follows:

APPROVE ITEMS I.2.b and I.2.c.

I.2.b. That the Board of Education change the title of Naureen Perkins from full-time Senior Typist to full-time probationary Secretary I, having passed the promotional test, effective May 28, 2008, on step 10 at an hourly rate of \$22.32, plus \$.20 longevity (06-07 rate).

CHANGE TITLE – N. PERKINS

I.2.c. That the Board of Education change the title of Pamela Petell from full-time Senior Typist to full-time probationary Secretary I, having passed the promotional test, effective May 28, 2008, on step 10, at an hourly rate of \$22.32, plus \$.40 longevity (06-07 rate).

Motion Carried 6-3

(James Toteno, Francis Iaconetti, and Wayne Rose voted No.)

CHANGE TITLE – P. PETELL

May 27, 2008

The Consensus Agenda consists of:

That the Board of Education accept the minutes of the March 25, April 8, April 22, May 6, and May 13, 2008 Board of Education meetings.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

That the Board of Education approve the following clerical staff title changes as per the Clerical Restructuring Plan and discussed at the August 14, 2007 Board meeting. Full implementation of the restructuring plan shall take place no later than September 30, 2008, providing that Civil Service examinations are available for all clerical staff affected by the Clerical Restructuring Plan within this approved transition period timeframe.

APPROVE CLERICAL
RESTRUCTURING PLAN

- Abolish one Senior Typist title in the High School Office and create a Secretary I title, effective May 28, 2008.
- Abolish one Senior Typist title in the Middle School Office and create a Secretary I title, effective May 28, 2008.

That the Board of Education continue the appointment of Brian Poland, chemistry long-term substitute for the 2008-2009 school year, effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, on BA Step 2 at an annual salary of \$40,076.

CONTINUE APPOINTMENT –
B. POLAND

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Christopher VanDerbeck, high school business teacher, effective August 31, 2008.

RESIGNATION – C.
VanDERBECK

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Paul Franchini, Cafeteria Supervisor (Cook Manager), effective June 13, 2008.

RESIGNATION – P.
FRANCHINI

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Barbara J. Quinn, part-time teaching assistant, effective June 30, 2008.

RESIGNATION – B. QUINN

That the Board of Education accept the resignation from Theresa Conte as MED Chorus Director effective April 22, 2008.

RESIGNATION – T. CONTE

That the Board of Education approve the parental leave request of Meghan Connelly, grades 7/8 English teacher, effective September 2, 2008 through November 7, 2008.

APPROVE PARENTAL
LEAVE – M. CONNELLY

That the Board of Education approve the parental leave request of Megan Kapusta, school counselor, effective September 2, 2008 through January 2, 2009.

APPROVE PARENTAL
LEAVE – M. KAPUSTA

That the Board of Education accept the resignation from Karen Weiss, anticipated Network Systems Engineer, effective immediately.

RESIGNATION – K. WEISS

May 27, 2008

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 Paulsak Vachiraprapun whose certification is pending in the area of Biology and General Science grades 7-12, to a 1.0 FTE probationary appointment in the science tenure area, effective September 2, 2008 through September 1, 2011, on BA step 1, at an annual salary of \$39,160.00.

APPOINT – P.
VACHIRAPRAPUN

That the Board of Education appoint Luisa Sabin-Kildiss, who is certified as a NYS Professional Public Librarian, to the full-time, 12-month Public Library Director position for a 26-week probationary period, effective July 1, 2008, at an annual salary of \$42,514.00 for the 2008-2009 school year, with additional days, as needed for the period June 16, 2008 through June 30, 2008 at a per diem rate of \$163.52.

APPOINT – L. SABIN-
KILDISS

That the Board of Education appoint Anita Crosby as part-time teaching assistant (3.5 hours/day), effective September 2, 2008, on step two, level one, at a pay rate of \$11.96 per hour.

APPOINT – A. CROSBY

That the Board of Education appoint the following teachers to fill positions funded by the Activ8Kids! grant: Lynn Fisher, CMS Program Coordinator; John Rivers, CMS Program Coordinator.

ACTIV8KIDS!
APPOINTMENTS

That the Board of Education appoint Barbara Fuss as MED Chorus Director, at the Teachers' Contract stipend of \$762.00, prorated for the period starting April 22, 2008 through June 30, 2008.

APPOINT – B. FUSS

That the Board of Education appoint the following per diem substitutes, effective May 28, 2008:

APPOINT PER DIEM
SUBSTITUTES

Sarah Daggett, Teacher & Home Tutor
Anne Cipkowski, Teacher
Michael Miller, Teacher & Home Tutor
David Haines, Teacher & Home Tutor
Damian Whittaker, Teacher
Samuel L. S. Streeter, Teacher
Patricia Mackay, Teacher
Ellen Winkler, TA/Aide
Jeannean Cheney, Teacher

That the Board of Education approve the list of 10-month educational support personnel for continued employment in September, 2008.

ED SUPPORT CONTINUED
EMPLOYMENT

May 27, 2008

That the Board of Education accept the donation from Chatham Middle School Student Activities Account in the amount of \$954.00 to cover the cost of admission and activities' fees for the Team 7 field trip to Sturbridge Village, MA, and increase the 2007-2008 budget in the same amount.

ACCEPT DONATION – MS
STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Francis Iaconetti asked for more information on the status of the Canaan Library. Diane Malecki will provide information at the 06/10/08 Board meeting.

BOARD MEMBER REQUEST

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Ric Campbell, to table items I.3.c. and I.3.e. from the Consensus Agenda.

TABLE ITEMS I.3.c and I.3.e.

Motion Carried 9-0

That the Board of Education accept the donation from the Rotary Club of Northern Columbia County in the amount of \$300.00 to be used to purchase books on countries of the world for the Chatham Public Library, and increase the 2007-2008 budget in the same amount.

ACCEPT DONATION –
ROTARY CLUB

That the Board of Education approve the budget transfers dated April 25, May 1, May 8, and May 20, 2008.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

That the Board of Education approve the request of the Middle School PSTA to pay for the use of one school bus and driver, if needed, to transport CMS students and parents to Family Fun Day at Joe Bruno Stadium in Troy on June 22, 2008.

TRANSPORTATION
REQUEST – MS PSTA

That the Board of Education approve the 2007-2008 Health & Welfare Services Contract with Averill Park Central School District for seven (7) students in the amount of \$2,518.11, as stipulated by section 912 of the Education Law.

HEALTH & WELFARE SVCS.
– AVERILL PARK C.S.

That the Board of Education approve the High School Extraclassroom Activities Fund Report for the months of January through March, 2008.

HS EXTRA CLASSROOM
ACTIVITIES FUND REPORT

That the Board of Education approve the Middle School Extraclassroom Activities Fund Report for the months of January through March, 2008.

MS EXTRA CLASSROOM
ACTIVITIES FUND REPORT

That the Board of Education approve the Claims Auditor's reports for the months of March and April, 2008.

APPROVE CLAIMS
AUDITOR'S REPORTS

That the Board of Education accept the budget comprehensive status and revenue status reports for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Federal Fund, Capital Fund, and Treasurer's Report for the months of March and April, 2008.

BUDGET & REVENUE
STATUS REPORTS

May 27, 2008

That the Board of Education award the custodial products bid for 2008-2009 to the lowest responsible bidders as follows:

Dagwell E.A.Morse	\$16,495.17
Central Poly	\$522.00
Hill & Markes	\$1,359.80
Horwitz	\$574.30
Interboro	\$104.85
Perkins	\$447.90
Swish	<u>\$1,931.85</u>
TOTAL	\$22,024.53

AWARD CUSTODIAL BIDS

That the Board of Education award the garbage removal bid for 2008-2009 to ECO Waste Services, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$17,199.00.

AWARD GARBAGE BID

Finance Committee - see meeting notes from 3-4, 4-3, and 4-29

Audit Committee - see meeting notes from 3-13 and 4-22

Library Committee

Policy Committee - see meeting notes from 5-7

- second reading of Policy #1530 Tobacco Use

- first reading of policies:

- Programs for Students with Disabilities #4321
- Allocation of Space for SE Programs & Services #4321.3
- Response to Intervention Programs #4321.15

Facilities Committee - see meeting notes from 4-2 and 4-8

Liaison Committee

Long Range Facilities Planning Committee

Items for Review

BOARD COMMITTEES

June 10, 2008 Workshop

- "Phase 1" Report discussion
- Administrative Reorganization
- Superintendent Search

WORKSHOP ITEMS

Motion by Ric Campbell, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education adjourn the May 27, 2008 Business Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Carried 9-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Diane T. Malecki

District Clerk

