

August 12, 2008

President John Wapner called the Workshop Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Board members in attendance were Denise Dapice, Fred Hutchinson, Francis Iaconetti, David O'Connor, and James Toteno. Vice President Elizabeth Macfarlane, Ric Campbell, and Michael Clark were absent. Also present were Lee Bordick, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Phyllis McGill, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; and, Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services. One newspaper reporter was in the audience.

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

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by David O'Connor, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as written or amended. **Motion Carried 6-0**

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by John Wapner, seconded by David O'Connor, that the Board of Education table R. 23. **Motion Defeated 4-2**
(James Toteno and Francis Iaconetti voted against the motion)

TABLE RESOLUTION #23

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 23** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the creation of an Indoor Track program for the 2008-2009 sports program.

INDOOR TRACK PROGRAM

Motion Defeated 4-2

(James Toteno and Francis Iaconetti voted no on **R. 23**)

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 24** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the 2008-2009 tax levy in the amount of \$18,482,412. **Motion Carried 6-0**

2008-2009 TAX LEVY

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 25** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the consulting contract with Needham Risk Management Resource Group, LLC for consultation and maintenance of health and safety programs, and for personnel and human resource management services, for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, at the rate of \$1,500 per calendar month for up to 225 hours per year, and \$65.00 per hour for authorized services in excess of base annual hours, in accordance with the agreement dated July 1, 2008.

CONTRACT – NEEDHAM
RISK MGMT.

Motion Carried 6-0

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Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education approve **R. 26** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the August 12, 2008 Board Workshop meeting, as written. **Motion Carried 6-0**

ACCEPT CONSENSUS
AGENDA

The Consensus Agenda consists of:

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Matthew Pietarinen, English teacher, effective August 31, 2008.

RESINGATION – M.
PIETARINEN

That the Board of Education appoint Barbara A. Murray as full-time, 10-month Food Service Supervisor, with the Civil Service title of Cook-Manager, for a 52-week probationary period effective August 18, 2008, at an annual salary of \$42,000.

APPOINT – B. MURRAY

That the Board of Education appoint Anthony Williams as per diem substitute cleaner at the regular substitute cleaner rate of \$10.50 per hour, effective August 13, 2008.

APPOINT – A. WILLIAMS

That the Board of Education approve a contract with Wildwood Programs, Inc., for the Wildwood Summer Extension Program for the period July 2, 2007 to August 10, 2007, at the rate approved by the Commissioner of Education and the Director of the NYS Division of the Budget.

CONTRACT – WILDWOOD
PROGRAMS, INC.

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Medical Staffing Network (MSN) to provide nursing services for a student at the Langan School for the 2008-2009 school year at a cost of \$35 per hour.

CONTRACT – MEDICAL
STAFFING NETWORK

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Ferrara, Fiorenza Larrison, Barrett & Reitz, P.C., labor attorneys, for 2008-2009 legal services at the hourly rates of \$185 per hour for partners and senior associates, and \$145 to \$165 per hour for the firm's associate attorneys.

CONTRACT – FERRARA,
FIORENZA, et.al

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Young, Sommer, Ward, Ritzenberg, Wooley, Baker & Moore, LLC, special education attorneys, for 2008-2009 legal services at the hourly rates of \$145 to \$175 for the Firm's Partners, \$145 per hour for associates, and \$85 per hour for paralegal services.

CONTRACT – YOUNG,
SOMMER, et.al

Workshop Items:

1. School Report Card: Lee Bordick reported to the Board of Education that Chatham CSD ranks #1 in Columbia

SCHOOL REPORT CARD

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county with an 89% ranking. The focus will be on math studies during the 2008-2009 school year and forward.

2. Transportation: Mr. Bordick spoke about the five trips that the transportation department took him on to get a sense of the large expanse of territory that is the Chatham Central School District. The annual distance traveled by the transportation department is equivalent to "...around the world in 180 days, 20 times", or 100 trips between Chatham, NY and Chatham, CA. He spoke about the high quality and efficiency of the transportation department staff.

TRANSPORTATION

3. Chatham-Ichabod Crane Boundary Question: Mr. Bordick discussed the boundary concerns of Ichabod Crane and CSD and the related tax implications. Greater review of the history of the boundaries and how they were established must take place. Mr. Bordick will continue to keep the Board informed.

BOUNDARY QUESTION

4. School Attorney Contract: No discussion.

5. Tenure: No discussion.

6. Middle School Classroom Temperature Reports: Mr. Bordick reported that monitoring of middle school classrooms continues.

MS CLASSROOMS

7. Per Diem Substitute Pay Rates: The Board continued discussion of substitute teacher pay rates.

SUBSTITUTE PAY RATES

8. Website

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss items relating to tenure and contractual issues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Carried 6-0

Entered Executive Session at 8:03 p.m.

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

OPEN SESSION

Motion Carried 6-0

Returned to Open Session at 9:08 p.m.

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education appoint Lee Bordick as District Clerk Pro-Temp for the remainder of the meeting. **Motion Carried 6-0**

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Motion by Francis Iaconetti, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education adjourn the August 12, 2008 Workshop Meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Carried 6-0

Diane T. Malecki
District Clerk

Lee Bordick
District Clerk Pro-Temp