

August 26, 2008

President John Wapner (left the meeting at 6:44 and returned at 6:46 p.m.) called the Business meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Board members in attendance were Elizabeth Macfarlane, Vice President; Michael Clark; Denise Dapice; Fred Hutchinson; Francis Iaconetti; and, David O'Connor. Ric Campbell and James Toteno were absent.

Also present were Lee Bordick, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Phyllis McGill, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; and, Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk.

The audience consisted of school staff and members of the community. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Board conducted the following business.

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as written or amended.

**Motion Carried 7-0**

APPROVE AGENDA

#### Superintendent's Reports

1. Thomas Locker paintings were donated to the elementary school and the Chatham Public Library. Both paintings can be found in the children's book "Rachel Carson: Preserving a Sense of Wonder". Mr. Locker asked that the painting of the Eagle be on display in the Public Library and the painting of the young girl Rachel Carson be displayed at the M.E.D. Elementary School.
2. Opening Day for Staff: Mr. Bordick invited the Board to attend. He will take this opportunity to welcome all staff and focus on "...we are all connected in the family of Chatham." Pins and certificates will be awarded to staff who have been with the District for 15-19 years, 20-24 years, 25-29 years, and 30+ years.
3. Opening Day for Students – Mr. Bordick discussed that preparations are on track to bring the students in and begin the 2008-2009 school year. Bus drivers and attendants were at the firehouse for their refresher course.
4. New Staff Orientation – August 28: Mr. Bordick will send agendas to all Board members and invited them to attend at 8:00 a.m. or for the 12:00 lunch.

THOMAS LOCKER  
PAINTINGS

OPENING DAY – STAFF

OPENING DAY – STUDENTS

NEW STAFF ORIENTATION

August 26, 2008

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 27** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the creation of an indoor track program for the 2008-2009 school year.

**Motion Carried 6-1**

(Francis Iaconetti voted No on **Resolution 27**.)

Dr. Wapner mentioned that “Roberts Rules” allow the Board to bring any resolution back for another vote should it fail initially.

Motion by David O’Connor, seconded by Denise Dapice, that the Board of Education approve **R. 28** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the July 22, August 1 and 5, 2008 recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education.

**Motion Carried 7-0**

Motion by David O’Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education approve **R. 29** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt policy #4321, Programs for Students with Disabilities, as read at the May 27 and June 24, 2008 Board meetings.

**Motion Carried 7-0**

Motion by David O’Connor, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 30** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt policy #4321.1, Allocation of Space for Special Education Programs and Services, as read at the May 27 and June 24, 2008 Board meeting.

**Motion Carried 7-0**

Motion by David O’Connor, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 31** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt policy #4321.15, Response to Intervention Programs, as read at the May 27 and June 24, 2008 Board meeting.

**Motion Carried 7-0**

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Elizabeth Macfarlane, that the Board of Education approve **R. 32** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the August 26, 2008 Board meeting, as written.

**Motion Carried 7-0**

The Consensus Agenda consists of:

That the Board of Education amend the minutes of the July 29, 2009 Board of Education business meeting to reflect the correct hours for Donna Himmel as 3.0 effective October 8, 2008 (item H.2.d.).

INDOOR TRACK

BOARD PRESIDENT  
COMMENT

CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS

POLICY #4321

POLICY #4321.1

POLICY #4321.15

CONSENSUS AGENDA

CORRECT HOURS – D.  
HIMMEL

August 26, 2008

That the Board of Education rescind the appointment of Matthew Pietarinen as 9-12 English Language Arts Instructional Study Team Leader for the 2008-2009 school year.

RESCIND APPOINTMENT –  
M. PIETARINEN

*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 Jodi Sullivan, who holds initial certification in the area of English Language Arts 7-12, to a 1.0 FTE probationary appointment in the English tenure area, effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2011, on Masters, step 1, at an annual salary of \$40,660.00.

APPOINT – J. SULLIVAN

That the Board of Education appoint Celeen A. Lawrence, who holds provisional certification in the area of Elementary Education, to a long-term substitute elementary education teacher appointment, effective October 14, 2008 through March 13, 2009, on Masters, step 1, at an annual pro-rated salary of \$40,660.00.

APPOINT – C. LAWRENCE

That the Board of Education appoint Barbara Czolowski, who holds certification in the areas of Childhood Education (grades 1-6) and Literacy (birth to grade 6), to a 1.0 FTE probationary appointment in the childhood literacy, grades 1-6 (Elementary Education) tenure area, effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2010, on Masters, step 9, at an annual salary of \$48,657.00.

APPOINT – B. CZOLOWSKI

That the Board of Education appoint Terry Bordell as 9-12 English Language Arts Instructional Study Team Leader for the 2008-2009 school year.

APPOINT – T. BORDELL

That the Board of Education appoint Carieann K. Welch as substitute bus driver, effective September 2, 2008.

APPOINT – C. WELCH

That the Board of Education appoint Marlene Stelling as modified cheerleading coach for the 2008-2009 school year.

APPOINT – M. STELLING

That the Board of Education approve the request of Teresa Hughes, bus driver, for mileage and meals reimbursement totaling \$56.42 for her attendance at a 19A Certified Examiner Training Refresher Course on July 11, 2008.

REIMBURSEMENT – T.  
HUGHES

That the Board of Education award the bid for transportation and nurse attendant services of a special education student to Cocksackie Transport, the lone bidder, in the amount of \$260.00 per day for the period September 3, 2008 through June 19, 2009.

TRANSPORTATION BID

August 26, 2008

That the Board of Education approve the Extension of Contract for Pupil Transportation with Michael S. Johnston Bus Company, dated July 28, 2008, for the period September 3, 2008 through June 19, 2009, pursuant to the provision of Section 306 of the Education Law and Section 156.5 of the Commissioner's Regulations, at a total anticipated annual cost of \$46,472.40.

TRANSPORTATION  
EXTENSION CONTRACT

That the Board of Education award surplus technology equipment to the lone bidder, James C. Bramah as follows:

SURPLUS EQUIPMENT BID  
AWARD

4 Dell laptop computers	\$4.00
2 Dell computers	\$4.00
1 Gateway computer	<u>\$2.00</u>
Total bid offer	\$10.00

That the Board of Education approve a contract with Parsons Child and Family Center for one student, for the 2008-2009 school year, at the rate approved by the Commissioner of Education and the Director of the NYS Division of the Budget.

CONTRACT – PARSONS

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 month of June, 2008.

BUDGET STATUS &  
REVENUE STATUS REPORTS

That the Board of Education approve the Claims Auditor's Report for the month of June, 2008.

CLAIMS AUDITOR REPORT

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

BOARD COMMITTEES

- I.1 Finance Committee – next meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m., September 11, 2008. Denise Dapice provided minutes from the 08/06/08 meeting.
- I.2 Audit Committee – next meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m., September 30, 2008. David O'Connor presented minutes from the 08/21/08 meeting which will be part of an upcoming Board agenda.
- I.3 Library Committee – Dr. Wapner and Luisa Sabin-Kildiss will meet with Diane Malecki to review the library budget.
- I.4 Policy Committee - 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Policy 4321.20, Programs and Services for Parentally-Placed Nonpublic School Students with Disabilities
- I.5 Facilities Committee – next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., September 2, 2008
- I.6 Liaison Committee
- I.7 Items for Review

August 26, 2008

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

- Student, non-voting Board member
- Policy revisions – disposal and sale of District Equipment
- National-State-Chatham Statistical Comparison

Motion by Elizabeth Macfarlane, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss an attorney's contract. **Motion Carried 7-0**  
Entered Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Elizabeth Macfarlane, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education appoint Lee Bordick as District Clerk Pro-Temp for the remainder of the meeting. **Motion Carried 7-0**

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by David O'Connor, that the Board of Education return to Open Session. **Motion Carried 7-0**  
Returned to Open Session at 8:28 p.m.

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education adjourn the August 26, 2008 Business Meeting. **Motion Carried 7-0**  
Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Diane T. Malecki  
District Clerk

Lee A. Bordick  
District Clerk Pro-Temp

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP

OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

