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The Board of Education meeting was held in the MED Library and called to order at 6:34. The Board members in attendance were John Wapner, President; James Toteno, Vice President; Michael Clark; Gail Day; David O'Connor (6:36); Melony Spock and Catherine Fowler, Student Representative. Board members Francis Iaconetti, James Marks and James Cartin were absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Other in attendance were Cheryl Nuciforo, Superintendent; John Thorsen, HS Principal; Kristen Reno, MED Principal; Annemarie Barkman, Interim MS Principal; Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; Chuck Snyder, Business Administrator; Adam Charbonneau, Communications Specialist; Mark Dwyer, CCSTA Union President; John Burlingame, ESP Union President; Emilia Teasdale, Columbia Paper; Lisa Connell, Chatham Courier; J.J. Ciampoli, HS Student Government President and a few staff members.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Following the Pledge of Allegiance the following business was conducted.

Motion by Gail Day, seconded by Melony Spock to appoint Cheryl Nuciforo as District Clerk Pro-temp for the executive session portion of the meeting. **Motion Carried 5-0**

APPOINTED-CHERYL NUCIFORO,
DISTRICT CLERK PRO TEMP EXECUTIVE
MTG

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Michael Clark to enter executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person. Time: 6:36 **Motion Carried 5-0**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Gail Day, seconded by Michael Clark to return to Open Session. Time: 7:08 **Motion Carried 6-0**

OPEN SESSION

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Gail Day to approve the present agenda as written or amended. **Motion Carried 6-0**

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

School Board Recognition-Superintendent, Cheryl Nuciforo, recognized the Board of Education in honor of National School Board Recognition week. Mrs. Nuciforo presented to each Board member a book MED students compiled together thanking them for what they do and cookies baked by students in the Questar III Culinary Program. The Superintendent also thanked the Board members for their contributions.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

CMS ELA Results-The Chatham Middle School has been targeted as a School in Need of Improvement Year 1. The school building was identified based on the assessment results for the 3-8 ELA for students with disabilities. Annemarie Barkman, Interim Middle School Principal and Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services made

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a presentation to the Board of Education explaining what this means and outlining the review process.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Library Advisory-Melony Spock reported they have completed the Chatham Public Library Advisory Committee Bylaws. They are on tonight's agenda as a resolution for the Board to adopt. Facilities Committee-Cheryl Nuciforo reported construction is close to completion. The elevator is being worked on at the MED building. The furniture and shelving for the Library/Media center at the MED will begin to be installed the week of October 31st. Finance Committee-David O'Connor stated the Finance Committee met last week and discussed the budgetary process both executing the current budget and planning for next year. Discussion also included other items such as parameters of the Finance Committee, departmental budget requests made to the Board, Contingency planning and a 5-year budget plan proposal.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Student Representative, Catherine Fowler, introduced to the Board J.J. Ciampoli, newly elected HS Student Government President. Catherine reported their overall goal is the cultural and climate of the school. Items being addressed are building an academic resume for individual students to expand upon, Bullying and Teasing, Black History month, a Green Initiative project and Fine Arts Students organizing a sing off talent show. Upcoming events-November 5 Cross County Strings at Hoosick Valley, Shakespeare play performance and the Fine Arts Booster club's pancake breakfast with live music by students. Sports-Girls Volleyball and Tennis are over. Soccer has a sectional game and the Football semi final game against Fonda is in Stillwater on Saturday Oct 29.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

New Business

Topic for District Superintendent James Baldwin's Board visit on January 31- Discussion among Board members regarding what topics they would like to see presented and discussed by James Baldwin, District Superintendent R-C-G-BOCES. Superintendent suggested having Mr. Baldwin explain their budget process so Board members will have a better understanding. Chatham voted down BOCES budget last year. David O'Connor would like to see available educational services BOCES could provide that Chatham could benefit from. John Wapner suggested an explanation on shared services; the process, savings and success.

BOCES Shared Services Discussion on November 5-Superintendent, Cheryl Nuciforo, urged Board members to attend, if available, to the November 5 BOCES Shared Services discussion which will information about shared transportation and business office services. This would help the BOE to understand what it takes to put shared

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services in place.

Draft Mission Statement- The Strategic Planning Sub-committee met and compiled the first draft of the revised district mission statement. It has been sent out to Board members and staff to review and make suggestions. It will be brought back to the Strategic Planning Committee on November 3. Once it has been finalized, it will be presented to the Board for adoption.

INSTRUCTION

Motion by Melony Spock, seconded by Gail Day that the Board of Education approve **R. 48 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the October 6, 14, 17, 18, and September 14, 2011 recommendations of the Committee on Special Education, and the October 20, 2011 recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education.

Motion Carried 6-0

APPROVED- COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL
EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON
PRESCHOOL EDUCATION
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Gail Day, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education approve **R. 49 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt the Bylaws of the Chatham Public Library Advisory Committee, dated June 8, 2011.

Motion Carried 6-0

ADOPTED-CHATHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE BYLAWS

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno to *table* **R. 50 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Settlement Agreement with Victoria Mantell, teaching assistant, effective October 26, 2011.

Motion Carried 6-0

TABLED-SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT,
VICTORIA MANTELL

Motion by Gail Day, seconded by Michael Clark that the Board of Education approve **R. 51 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education adopt the Chatham Public Library Book Disposal Policy, #6901, as read at the September 27 and October 11, 2011 Board meetings.

Motion Carried 6-0

ADOPTED-CHATHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOOK DISPOSAL POLICY

FINANCE

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Gail Day that the Board of Education approve **R. 52 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement with CSEA Administrative Support Personnel, dated October 17, 2011, regarding restructuring of the payroll position.

Motion Carried 6-0

APPROVED-MOA WITH CSEA
RESTRUCTURING PAYROLL POSITION

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education approve **R. 53 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Consultant Agreement with Management Advisory Group of N.Y., Inc., dated October 6, 2011, to perform a State Aid review services, at a fee equal to 15% of additional monies recovered.

Motion Carried 6-0

APPROVED-CONSULTANT AGREEMENT
TO PERFORM STATE AID REVIEW

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Motion by Gail Day, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education approve **R. 54 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Proposal for Student Fundraising from Judith Matthews for the Fall Festival of Shakespeare and Company.

Motion Carried 6-0

APPROVED-STUDENT FUNDRAISING PROPOSAL FOR FALL FESTIVAL OF SHAKESPEARE AND COMPANY

CONSENSUS AGENDA

Motion by Melony Spock, seconded by Gail Day that the Board of Education approve **R. 55 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the October 25, 2011 Board meeting, as written.

ACCEPTED-CONSENSUS AGENDA

That the Board of Education accept the minutes of the October 11, 2011 Board of Education meeting.

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Domenica "Vicky" Landi, part-time (5 hr/day) food service helper, effective October 28, 2011.

ACCEPTED-RESIGNATION, DOMENICA LANDI

That the Board of Education appoint the following per diem substitutes, effective October 26, 2011:

Nancy Rothman, home tutor
Jessica Martin, teacher

APPOINTED-PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

That the Board of Education appoint Meghan Connelly as CHS Literary Club Advisor for the 2011-2012 school year at the 2009-10 CCSTA contractual stipend of \$803.00.

APPOINTED-MEGHAN CONNELLY CHS LITERARY CLUB ADVISOR

That the Board of Education appoint the following teachers and teaching assistants for the Academic Advantage Opportunity Program for the 2011-2012 school year, at the pay rates noted:

TEACHERS:

Joshua Noble, grade 5 math, \$30/hr.
Irmmentrud Amos, grade 6 math, \$30/hr.
Jodi Gray, grade 7 math, \$30/hr.
Roberta Keller, grade 8 math, \$30/hr.
Kristine Mackowski, 5/6 special educ, \$30/hr.
Mary West, 7/8 special educ., \$30/hr.

TEACHING ASSISTANTS:

Jaimie Boehme, grades 5/6, \$16.51/hour
Marie Baeckmann, grades 7/8, \$18.75/ hour

APPOINTED-TEACHER AND TEACHER ASSISTANTS FOR THE ACADEMIC ADVANTAGE OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM 2011-2012

That the Board of Education accept miscellaneous donations to the Chatham Public Library in the amount of \$22.05, and increase the 2011-12 budget by the same amount.

ACCEPTED-DONATIONS TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

That the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfers dated July 31, October 18, and 21, 2011.

APPROVED-BUDGET TRANSFERS

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 July, 2011.

ACCEPTED-BUDGET COMPREHENSIVE STATUS AND REVENUE STATUS REPORTS FOR JULY

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ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

BOE approved Board Resolution for Capital Project
BOE approval for the Transportation Study Agreement

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Michael Clark, seconded by Gail Day to appoint Cheryl Nuciforo as District Clerk Pro-temp for the remainder of the meeting.
Motion Carried 6-0

APPOINTED-CHERYL NUCIFORO
DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP



Deborah Pottenburgh, District Clerk

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Gail Day to enter executive session. Time: 8:11
Motion Carried 6-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

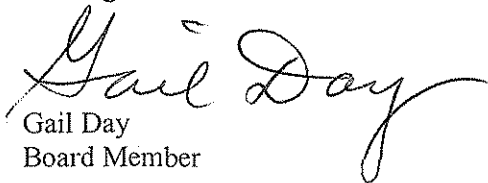
Superintendent, Cheryl Nuciforo, left executive meeting at 9:08.

Motion by Michael Clark, seconded David O'Connor to return to Open Session. Time: 9:27
Motion Carried 6-0

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Melony Spock, seconded by James Toteno to adjourn meeting. Time: 9:28
Motion Carried 6-0

ADJOURNMENT



Gail Day
Board Member