

October 14, 2008

President John Wapner called the meeting to order at 6:35 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; Fred Hutchinson; Francis Iaconetti; David O'Connor; and, James Toteno.

Also present were Lee Bordick, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; Dr. Phyllis McGill, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; Charlotte Frye, Elementary School Principal; Ron Davis, High School Principal; John Thorsen, High School Assistant Principal; Gordon Fitting, Middle School Principal; Larry Burud, Middle School Assistant Principal; and, Barbara Murray, School Lunch Program Supervisor.

The audience consisted of staff, members of the community, and one newspaper reporter.

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

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

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion Carried 9-0

The Board heard public comment from a community member pertaining to vegetation on CCSD property which is encroaching upon the property of his personal residence. There was a short discussion of the issue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by Ric Campbell, that the Board of Education approve **R. 39** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accepts and agrees to the Amendment to the Employment Agreement by and between the Board of Education of the Chatham Central School District and Lee A. Bordick, dated October 14, 2008 (Amendment attached), and authorizes the President of the Board to execute said Amendment on behalf of the District and to file same with the District Clerk.

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT
AMENDMENT – L.BORDICK

Motion Carried 9-0

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 40** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education increase speech therapy services from 1.6 FTE to 1.7 FTE effective October 15, 2008, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education increase the workday of Lisa Toomey, speech therapist, from full-time (.6 FTE) to full-time (.7 FTE), effective October 15, 2008,

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on step 13, at the same annual salary of \$53,263.00, pro-rated at .7 FTE. **Motion Carried 9-0**

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Michael Clark, that the Board of Education approve **R. 41** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education increase one Teaching Assistant position from part-time (3.0 hours/day) to full-time (7 hours/day), effective October 15, 2008 and **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education appoint Anita Crosby, whose teaching assistant certification is pending, to a probationary, full-time (7 hours/day) position beginning October 15, 2008 and ending October 15, 2011, on Step 2, Level 1, at an annual pay rate of \$15,575.00. **Motion Carried 9-0**

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APPOINT – A. CROSBY

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Fred Hutchinson, that the Board of Education approve **R. 42** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the October 14, 2008 Board Special meeting, as written. **Motion Carried 9-0**
The Consensus Agenda consists of:

CONSENSUS AGENDA

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Colleen Le Gere as part-time (.4 FTE) music teacher, effective September 30, 2008.

RESIGNATION – C.LeGERE

That the Board of Education accept the leave of absence request of Margaret Brutsch, bus driver, effective September 5, 2007 through June 27, 2008.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE – M.
BRUTSCH

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 Cynthia Ogulnik as part-time (.2 FTE), temporary music teacher, effective October 15, 2008 through June 30, 2008, on Step 23, Bachelors (\$65,343.00), pro-rated at .2 FTE, for an annual salary of \$13,068.60.

APPOINT – C. OGULNIK

That the Board of Education amend the appointment of Luisa Sabin-Kildiss, Public Library Director I, from a provisional appointment to a probationary appointment, effective October 15, 2008, having successfully passed the Columbia Co. Civil Service test for Public Library Director I.

PROBATIONARY
APPOINTMENT – L. SABIN-
KILDISS

That the Board of Education appoint David Teator as Varsity Football Assistant Coach for the 2008-2009 sports season, at a stipend of \$2,372.00.

APPOINT VARSITY ASST.
COACH

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WORKSHOP ITEMS

Lee Bordick commented that the week of October 20th is the official “Board of Education Appreciation Week”. At this meeting, Chatham would like to thank our Board of Education with inscribed pens and certificates for their dedication.

BOARD RECOGNITION

1. School Lunch Program Review and Update: Lee Bordick discussed the program and a need to use a “jeweler’s eye” when reviewing it. Ms. Murray presented a brief summary of the program’s operation so far this year. Interactive discussion items included the level of student participation, options for vegetarian meals, costs, and the types of food trays currently available on the market.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

2. Public Library - Increase Hours of Operation: Lee Bordick announced that starting November 1, 2008, the Public Library will expanded its hours of operation as follows:

PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

3. Announce Member Item Grants: Lee Bordick announced the following grants which the District and Public Library have received:

GRANTS

-\$9,141 Public Library Technology

-\$75,000 General Purpose

A discussion as to where the \$75,000 would provide the best benefit will take place in the near future. The Public Library grant will be used to improve and expand the Public Library technology.

4. Strategic Planning: Lee Bordick briefly discussed the September 24, 2008 Strategic Planning Day. In general, it was thought the day was “rich and robust” and that the District will continue to move forward with actions.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

5. Superintendent Search Update: John Wapner discussed the goal of the District and Questar III working to use all available resources to locate the best candidates, and to finalize the process with applications to be out in November, 2008.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

6. Budget 2009-2010: Lee Bordick reported that the budget calendar will be completed by the end of October. Discussion centered around anticipated reduced State Aid and availability of borrowing by municipalities.

2009-2010 BUDGET

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Future Agenda Items:

- Superintendent Evaluation Process
- Non Voting Student Member
- Lunch Costs
- Paperless BOE Meetings

Motion by David O'Connor, 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 9-0**

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss issues relating to the employment history or promotion of particular employees and collective bargaining. **Motion Carried 9-0**
Entered Executive Session at 8:05 p.m.

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education return to open session. **Motion Carried 9-0**

Open Session resumed at 9:35 p.m.

Motion by Fred Hutchinson, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education adjourn the October 14, 2008 Board of Education Special Meeting. **Motion Carried 9-0**
Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Diane T. Malecki
District Clerk

Lee Bordick
District Clerk Pro-Temp

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP

EXECUTIVE SESSION

OPEN SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

