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President John Wapner called the Workshop Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Board members in attendance were Elizabeth Macfarlane, Vice President; Michael Clark; Denise Dapice; Francis Iaconetti; David O'Connor; and, James Toteno. Board members Ric Campbell and Fred Hutchinson were absent.

Also in attendance were Lee Bordick, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Phyllis McGill, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; Ronald Davis, High School Principal; Gordon Fitting, Middle School Principal; and, Larry Burud, Middle School Assistant Principal.

The audience consisted of staff and two newspaper reporters.

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

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education approve the present agenda as written or amended. **Motion Carried 7-0**

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education approve **R. 57** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the agreement with Dr. Richard Medved to provide consultant services in the area of embedded staff development at a rate of \$125.00 per hour, in an amount not to exceed \$3,375.00 for the period November, 2008 through June, 2009. **Motion Carried 7-0**

AGREEMENT – DR.
RICHARD MEDVED

Motion by Denise Dapice, seconded by Elizabeth Macfarlane, that the Board of Education approve **R. 58** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the November 4, 2008 Board Workshop Meeting. **Motion Carried 7-0**

CONSENSUS AGENDA

The Consensus Agenda consists of:

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of Margaret Brutsch, Bus Driver, effective October 27, 2008.

RESIGNATION – M.
BRUTSCH

Workshop Items:

1. High School Commencement Expectations (SP Strategy 3 & BG Strategy 2.1): Mr. Bordick gave a power point presentation on research at SUNY Albany which reviewed 15 schools. Five (5) schools were average performing school and ten (10) were

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“high performing” schools. The high performing districts have high levels of “rigor” built into the curriculum. Mr. Bordick will revisit this topic throughout the 2008-2009 school year.

- International Baccalaureate (IB)/College Credit Courses:
Mr. Davis presented an overview of the IB program. Mr. Davis, high school Principal, presented more details on the three-prong approach that the International Baccalaureate Program encompasses. The process begins in the primary grades, prong 1, and continues through the middle school, Prong 2, and culminates in the high school, Prong 3. IB/COLLEGE CREDIT COURSES

- Post Graduate Survey Update: (Futuristic Research Company):
The Futuristic Research Company will be conducting a survey on 2002 through 2008 graduates as to how prepared they were for college experience. This survey will provide a foundation for Chatham to tailor the curriculum to best meet the Chatham graduates’ needs for achieving success educationally. POST GRADUATE SURVEY

- 2. Educational Plan & Budget 2009-2010 (BG 2.2.1):
 - Cost Reduction Plan 08-09: Mr. Bordick spoke to the uncertain economic times we as a District are facing. Greater energy management processes are being instituted to control energy use through turning off computers and lights in a consistent manner throughout the District along with lowering buildings temperatures to 68°. Phase I proposals for changes and additions to programs will be reviewed. The goal of all administrators will be to review their building programs to assure that the programs are furthering the educational goals envisioned in the 3-prong approach for moving the children entering the Chatham School District through to their graduation in the most educationally effective yet cost efficient manner. 09-10 EDUCATIONAL PLAN & BUDGET

- 3. “Family First” Alert System – (SP Strategy 5): Mr. Bordick reported that the “Family First” Alert System will be implemented for middle and high school students as another layer of student safety, and as a result of the middle school oil spill incident on October 20, 2008. This will assure our children’s parents that they know about any event impacting their child in the most immediate manner possible. “FAMILY FIRST” ALERT SYSTEM

- 4. Identification Badge Printing System (SP Strategy 5):
Mr. Bordick reported the system will be in use by the end of the 2008 calendar year. and will establish more security at each building. All staff will be required to wear their badges and all visitors in the buildings will be required to go to the IDENTIFICATION BADGE PRINTING SYSTEM

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main office of each building to sign in and obtain a badge.

Future Agenda Items:

- Not-For-Profit Community Programs: Mr. Bordick discussed the process of sending flyers through student backpacks. The Policy Committee met on November 4. A policy to establish a registered list of programs allowed to send flyers home with students is being discussed and a resolution will be part of a future Board meeting.

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno, 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 David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss issues relating to collective bargaining. **Motion Carried 7-0**
Entered Executive Session at 7:41 p.m.

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Francis Iaconetti, that the Board of Education resume Open Session. **Motion Carried 7-0**

Resumed Open Session at 8:05 p.m.

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Denise Dapice, that the Board of Education adjourn the November 4, 2008 Workshop Meeting. **Motion Carried 7-0**
Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Diane T. Malecki
District Clerk

Lee Bordick
District Clerk Pro-Temp

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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