

November 30, 2010

President John Wapner called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. The meeting was held in the High School library. Other Board members in attendance were Michael Clark; Gail Day; Francis Iaconetti; David O'Connor; Melony Spock; James Toteno and student representative Taylor Wenk. Vice-president Elizabeth Macfarlane was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Others in attendance were Cheryl Nuciforo, Superintendent; Diane Malecki, School Business Administrator; Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; John Thorsen, HS Principal; Kristen Reno, Elementary School Principal; Gordon Fitting, Middle School Principal; Adam Charbonneau, Communications Specialist; Emilia Teasdale, Reporter; Andrew DeFeo and Gladys Cruz from Questar III; several staff members; Ryan Behrens, student and his parents.

Motion by Francis Iaconetti, seconded by Melony Spock to appoint Diane T. Malecki as district clerk pro-temp for the November 30, 2010 Board of Education meeting.

Motion Carried 7-0

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMP

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Board member James Marks. From this point on, Mr. Marks is qualified to offer nominations and to vote on any Board action.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

J. MARKS – NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Board President asked for a moment of silence in memory of Patrick Curry, CMS Head Custodian who passed away suddenly on November 22nd.

MOMENT OF SILENCE
PAT CURRY

Following the moment of silence, the Board addressed the following business:

Motion by Gail Day, seconded by Michael Clark to approve the present agenda as written.

Motion Carried 8-0

APPROVE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. **Student Recognition** – The Board of Education introduced Ryan Behrens, senior football and soccer player, and presented him with a certificate of achievement for being named Dunkin' Donuts Player of the Week by Channel 13. He is recognized for his accomplishments on and off the field. The HS principal, athletic director and Ryan's coach each spoke about Ryan's athletic and academic achievements. The Superintendent thanked Ryan's parents. Channel 13 reporters arrived at 6:38 p.m. to tape Ryan receiving his certificate from the Board.
2. **Questar III Presentation** – Dr. Andrew DeFeo and Dr. Gladys Cruz made gave an overview of programs and services offered by Questar III BOCES. Board members asked about the possibility of a Jr. ROTC program and about online courses. The Board discussed the role of BOCES Board members.

STUDENT
RECOGNITION – R.
BEHRENS

QUESTAR III
PRESENTATION

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3. **Strategic Plan Update** – The Superintendent updated the Board on the Strategic Planning process and noted that progress has been made on several items. The next meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2011.

STRATEGIC PLAN
UPDATE

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Library Committee – Melony Spock reported that the first meeting of the Public Library Advisory Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, December 1st.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Taylor Wenk updated the Board on student government activities at the high school including a new student government constitution with goals, a trip to Albany to meet with legislators, adding student government information to the school website, and a school lunch survey they will be administering to high school students.

STUDENT REP
REPORT

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

Process for Community Members to Petition for a Referendum – The Board discussed the process for a community member to petition to place a referendum on the annual ballot. The Board is responsible for establishing rules for this process. The matter was referred to the Policy Committee.

PETITION FOR
REFERENDUM

Budget: Tax Rate vs. Tax Levy – The Superintendent gave a presentation about the process for determining the tax rate. The Board discussed the difference between tax rate and tax levy and the factors that impact the tax rate.

TAX RATE VS. TAX
LEVY

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education approve **R. 66** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the October 5, November 1, 4, 8, 9, 10 and 15, 2010 recommendations of the Committee on Special Education, and the November 10, 2010 recommendations of the Committee on Pre-school Special Education. **Motion Carried 8-0**

CSE
RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by James Toteno that the Board of Education approve **R.67** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT establish an Insurance Reserve Fund to be funded and administered pursuant to the provisions of Section 6-n of the General Municipal Law. **Motion Carried 8-0**

ESTABLISH
INSURANCE RESERVE
FUND

Motion by David O'Connor, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education approve **R.68** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT reallocate the following amounts from the Unappropriated Fund Balance to the respective reserves:

- 1) \$615,362 To fund the Insurance Reserve
- 2) \$4,003 To fund the Workers Compensation Reserve
- 3) \$441,517 To fund the Unemployment Reserve
- 4) \$173,518 To fund the Retirement contribution Reserve
- 5) \$405,928 To fund the Capital Reserve

REALLOCATE
RESERVE FUNDS

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And reduce the Reserve for Tax Certiorari by \$82,375, leaving an Unappropriated Fund Balance of \$1,078,342.

There was discussion about the amount of savings that could be generated by self-insuring vehicles and buildings. Savings figures were not available at the time of this discussion. Mr. Iaconetti voted NO on R. 68.

Motion Carried 7-1

Motion by James Toteno, seconded by Melony Spock that the Board of Education approve **R.69** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education expend from its Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund, the following amounts in payment of court ordered school property tax refunds:

TAX REFUNDS

Owner	Town	Original Assess.	Original Tax	New Assess.	New Tax	Tax \$ Reduction
Steinberg, Mark	Canaan	\$193,200	\$2,399.01	\$155,000	\$1,924.67	\$474.34
Friedman, Robert	Canaan	\$360,000	\$4,045.66	\$330,000	\$3,673.14	\$372.52
Cappello, Preston & Donna	Ghent	\$343,000	\$4,259.11	\$295,000	\$3,663.09	\$596.02
Bervy, Serge & Jane	Austerlitz	\$710,000	\$8,390.20	\$710,000	\$8,390.20	\$0.00
Flaherty, Gary & Tammy	Canaan	\$135,000	\$825.75	\$135,000	\$825.75	\$0.00
Cayot, Charles & Joanne	Canaan	\$480,000	\$5,535.73	\$480,000	\$5,535.73	\$0.00

Total Tax \$ Reduction:
\$1,442.88

Motion Carried 8-0

CONSENSUS AGENDA

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Motion by Melony Spock, seconded by James Toteno that the Board of Education approve **R.70** as follows: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education accept the Consensus Agenda of the November 30, 2010 Board meeting, as written.

Motion Carried 8-0

The Consensus Agenda consists of:

That the Board of Education accept the minutes of the November 9, 2010 and November 16, 2010 Board of Education meetings.

ACCEPT MINUTES

That the Board of Education amend the work day of Aldea Bogarski, bus attendant, from 4.5 hours/day to 5.5 hours/day, effective November 12, 2010, with no change in pay rate.

BOGARSKI – AMEND WORK DAY

That the Board of Education amend the work day of Sharon Mesick, bus driver, from 6.5 hours/day to 6.0 hours/day, effective November 16, 2010, with no change in pay rate.

MESICK – AMEND WORK DAY

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That the Board of Education appoint Stephen Oleynek as full-time probationary Supervisor of Transportation, effective November 27, 2010 through November 26, 2011, at a pro-rated annual salary of \$60,000.00.

OLEYNEK APPOINTED
PROB. SUPV. TRANSP.

That the Board of Education appoint Sharon Matuszek, who holds permanent certification in the area of music, to a long-term substitute music teacher position on bachelors, step 7, at a pro-rated annual salary of \$46,255.00 (2009-10 salary rate) at the following FTE:

MATUSZEK
APPOINTED L/T SUB
MUSIC

- .6 FTE effective March 8, 2010 through June 30, 2010
- .5 FTE effective September 7, 2010 through September 26, 2010
- .6 FTE effective September 27, 2010

That the Board of Education appoint Whitney Davis as part-time (3.5 hours/day) teaching assistant, effective December 1, 2010, on step 1, level 1, at the pay rate of \$11.18/hour (2009-10 pay rate).

DAVIS APPTD TA

That the Board of Education appoint Polly Engel as part-time (3.5 hours/day) teaching assistant, effective December 1, 2010, on step 1, level 1, at the pay rate of \$11.18/hour (2009-10 pay rate).

ENGEL APPTD TA

That the Board of Education appoint Leigh Sowalski as part-time (3 hours/day) food service helper effective November 15, 2010, on step 1, at the pay rate of \$12.60 per hour.

SOWALSKI APPTD
FOOD SERV. HELPER

That the Board of Education appoint Erika Riddick as peer support teacher for Kalyn Fleck, effective November 8, 2010, for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year, at the annual prorated pay rate of \$402.17 (2009-10 rate).

RIDDICK APPTD PEER
SUPPORT

That the Board of Education appoint the following coaches for the 2010-2011 sports season, at the 2009-2010 stipends designated in the CCSTA Contract:

COACHES APPTD

- Talene Hosdaghian, Indoor Track (shared) - \$1,738.00 (1/2 of \$3,476.00 stipend)
- Richard Sitzer, Indoor Track (shared) - \$1,738.00 (1/2 of \$3,476.00 stipend)
- Daniel Williams, 7/8 Boys' Basketball Assistant – Unpaid Volunteer

That the Board of Education appoint Diane Oringer as per diem Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), effective November 15, 2010, at the pay rate of \$75/day.

ORINGER APPTD SUB
LPN

That the Board of Education appoint the following per diem substitutes, effective December 1, 2010:

APPOINT PER DIEM
SUBS

- Rebecca J. Meier, home tutor
- Florence Olejak, teacher
- Robert Connors, home tutor

That the Board of Education accept miscellaneous donations totaling \$54.00 for the Chatham Public Library, and increase the 2010-2011 budget by the same amount.

ACCEPT DONATIONS

That the Board of Education approve the budget transfers dated October 29 and November 23, 2010.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

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That the Board of Education approve the Claims Auditor's report for the month of October, 2010.

CLAIMS AUDITOR
REPORT

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 October, 2010.
Motion Carried 8-0

BUDGET REVENUE
STATUS REPORTS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

January 11 – Food Service Budget, January 25 – Transportation Budget
February 8 – Revenues

FUTURE AGENDA

Motion by Francis Iaconetti, seconded by James Toteno, that the Board of Education appoint Cheryl Nuciforo as District Clerk Pro-temp for the remainder of the meeting.

NUCIFORO DIST.
CLERK PRO-TEMP



Diane T. Malecki
District Clerk Pro-temp

Motion by Francis Iaconetti, seconded by James Toteno that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss collective negotiations; and the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.
Motion Carried 8-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Entered Executive Session at 8:20 p.m.

Motion by James Toteno seconded by James Marks that the Board of Education return to Open Session.

OPEN SESSION

Motion Carried 8-0

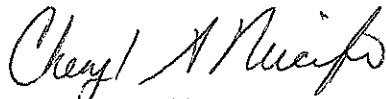
Resumed Open Session at 9:17 p.m.

Motion by James Toteno seconded by James Marks that the Board of Education adjourn the November 30, 2010 Board meeting.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion Carried 8-0

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.



Cheryl A. Nuciforo
District Clerk Pro-temp