

MINUTES

Date of Meeting : May 2, 2007
Location of Meeting : Doyle Middle School
Time of Meeting : 7:00 p.m.
Type of Meeting : Regular Board of Education

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At approximately 6:30 p.m., Mr. Pollack, President, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Mrs. Adams Mrs. Harvin Mr. Mayo Ms. O'Grady Ms. Phillips Mr. Pollack Mr. Schofield Mrs. Scully Mr. Smith	None

Also Present

Mr. Palmer	-	Superintendent
Mrs. Capobianco	-	Assistant Superintendent
Mrs. Keane	-	Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Ouimet	-	Assistant Superintendent
Ms. DeFiglio	-	Clerk of the Board
Mr. McCarthy	-	School Attorney

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 6:31 p.m., Mr. Pollack made a motion to enter into Executive Session for personnel/contractual matters. This was seconded by Mrs. Scully and the vote carried: 9-0.

IV. MOVE TO PUBLIC SESSION

At approximately 7:23 p.m., the members of the Board of Education reconvened back into public session.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. Superintendent Oral Report
2. Report on Community and Human Resources (Mrs. Keane)

Ms. Culligan and Ms. Board gave a report to the Board as to what they've been working on this year.

VI. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Committee (Mr. Smith)

Mr. Smith gave a report on the Finance meeting.

VII. PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

George O'Connor – Resident

He addressed the issue of the upcoming school election and the new voting machines mentioning that these machines are not certified.

Brad Pitt – 50 Pawling Avenue

He was a member of the working family party and requested that the district use paper ballots versus the new electronic voting machine.

Jennifer Levasque – Parent

She was frustrated over last year's voting and the problem with the machine at School 18.

Russell Gymball – 1813 Highland Street

He was not comfortable with using the new machines and would prefer using a paper ballot.

Seth Cohen – TTA President

He mentioned that with a Human Resources Department now they sit down and work issues through or at least talk about them. He also mentioned that the TTA will actively working to ensure that the budget does pass. He also inquired about the status of the Zak House.

Barb Murphy

Addressed the issue of the new voting machines and mentioned that this can turn out to be a nightmare. She lives in Clifton Park and will not vote on their machines because she does not trust them.

Jerry DeSalve – 1833 Fifth Avenue

She mentioned in testing the machine that she could not see who she voted for.

Morris Fashed – Parent

He mentioned that we knew we had problems last year. He hoped that everything goes well with the election. He also mentioned maybe having a mock election with the machines at the high school.

Robert Witko – Liberty Election Systems

He mentioned that they have done school elections very successful and that these machines also have a paper audit trail.

VIII. BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following minutes:

- a. Facilities Committee Meeting held on March 28, 2007

Motion: Mr. Pollack
Second: Mrs. Adams
VOTE : Carried: 9-0

IX. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Staff Matters – CERTIFIED/UNCERTIFIED (reviewed by C. Keane)

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following instructional personnel actions:

Items 1 through 7 were through a Consent Agenda.

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Ms. O’Grady
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

1. Leave of Absence

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSGNMT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>	<u>REASON</u>
a. Elizabeth Dowd	Grade 2	School 2	5/1/07–6/30/07	extend w/o pay

2. Retirement/Resignation/Termination

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSGNMT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>	<u>REASON</u>
a. Judi Byrnes	Var Cheerleading Coach	District	4/7/07	Resignation

3. Appointments – Instructional – Long Term Substitute

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECT DATE(S)</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
a. Lauren Ross (LOA E. Dowd)	Grade 2	School 2	4/25/07–6/30/07	\$36,932 (Step 1/Col)
b. Samuel Zimmerman (M. Szakmary)	Mathematics	THS	4/30/07 – 5/7/07	extend effect date
c. Cheri Vandenberg (LOA C. Dauphinais)	Sch Counselor Asst	School 2/School 18	5/3/07 – 6/30/07	\$22,000.00 (Step 1)
d. Megan Murphy (C. Tedesco)	Grade 3	School 2	5/8/07 – 6/30/07	\$36,932.00 (Step 1/Colum B)

3. Appointments – Instructional - Tenure

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>ASSGNMT</u>	<u>PROBATION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>
Jeanne Berard	Home & Careers	DMS	9/1/05	6/30/07

4. Appointments – Instructional – Summer School Principal

Stanley Harper	Elementary	School 14	\$3,500.00
Brian Dunn	Secondary	DMS	\$5,500.00

5. Appointments – Instructional – 2006-07 Substitute Teachers

Charles Campbell	Certified	Special Education
Mika Irie	Certified	Mathematics 5-12
Marianne Scott	Non-Certified	State of Idaho teaching certificate
Samuel Zimmerman	Non-Certified	Mathematics

6. Appointments – Instructional – THS Evening School (Sunset) Program

Stacy Fisher Teacher \$30.00 per hour (A2110.13R)

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mrs. Adams
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

B. Staff Matters – CLASSIFIED/UNCLASSIFIED (Reviewed by C. Keane)

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following non-instructional personnel actions:

1. Retirements/Resignation/Termination

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSGNMT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>	<u>REASON</u>
a. Patricia Cusack	Typist	THS Coordinator	7/6/07	Retirement

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mrs. Adams
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

Mary C. Marble

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to a directive from the NYS and Local Retirement System that Mary C. Marble is hereby removed as an employee of the District due to said directive, effective May 9, 2007.

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mrs. Harvin

Mrs. Harvin offered to amend the date for Ms. Marble to May 9.

Motion to Amend: Mrs. Harvin
 Second: Mr. Schofield
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

The above resolution reflects the amendment.

VOTE on Resolution as Amended: Carried: 9-0

2. Appointments – Non-Instructional – Probationary

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>
a. Jenelle Morelli	Teacher Aide	School 14	5/3/07–12/1/07 \$21,536 (Grade 3/Year 1)

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mrs. Adams
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

3. Appointments – Non-Instructional - Permanent

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>
a. Monica Scattareggia (completed probationary period)	School Nurse	School 1	4/23/07

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second : Mr. Schofield
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

4. Appointments – Non-Instructional – Extended School Day

Pamela Alicea	Sub Monitor / Teacher Aide	\$10.00 per hour @1.5 hours per day
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Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mr. Schofield
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

5. Appointments – Non-Instructional – 2006-07 Volunteers

Don Demers	School 16	playground
Nicola Terry	School 16	playground

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mrs. Scully
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

6. Pasquale Zucaro Interim Maint Man (Replacement for J. Hull) Effective 5/3/07 \$37,653 (Grade 17/Step 1)

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Mr. Mayo
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

C. Superintendent’s Recommendations – PROGRAMS (reviewed by K. Handy)

Items 1 through 4 were through a Consent Agenda.

Motion: Mr. Pollack
 Second: Ms. O’Grady
 VOTE : Carried: 9-0

1. Committee on Special Education Placements

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Special Education has submitted to the Board of Education sixty-five (65) students having the registration numbers as listed below in classes for students with special needs, and be it

Program Review

047193	508780	555658	625856	889358	987118	993095
993174	993195					

Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting

036270	511655	991120
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Reevaluation Transfer Student

938448	989491	989838	992452	993175	993246	993259
993265						

Annual Review

157400	192374	249870	299371	407155	630402	668777
938449	986659	986811	987147	987419	989491	987662
988144	988156	988313	988320	988415	988423	988432
988853	989123	989378	989771	989788	990213	990224
990639	990649	990782	991071	991171	991719	991882
992088	992294	992315	992418	992764	992912	993057
993105	993168	993299				

FURTHER RESOLVED, that these placements be approved.

2. Committee on Pre-School Special Education Placements

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Pre-School Special Education has submitted to the Board of Education twenty-five (25) students having the registration numbers as listed below in classes for students with special needs, and be it

Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting

556030	556065	556076	556091	556102	556107	556113
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Program Review

555882	555895	555970	555972	555979	555984	556022
556026	556041	556073	556103			

Early Intervention Transition

556058	556072	556082	556087	556094	556095	
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Reevaluation Transfer Student

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that these placements be approved.

3. Textbook Adoption for 2007-2008 (Addendum I)

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby adopts the textbooks for the 2007-2008 school year as they appear on Addendum I.

4. Agreement with the Family & Children's Services of Troy (Addendum II)

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the agreement between the district and the Family & Children's Services of Troy to supplement the services of the school psychologist. This agreement is effective from September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. Remuneration shall be \$60 per hour and shall not exceed \$43,000.

Motion: Mr. Pollack
Second: Mr. Mayo
VOTE : Carried: 9-0

D. Superintendent's Recommendations – BUSINESS FINANCE (reviewed by M. Ouimet)

1. Financial Reports

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the following financial reports:

- a. Budget Transfers (Addendum III)
- c. Cash Flow Statement (Addendum IV)
- d. Budget Status Report (Addendum V)
- e. Treasurer's Report – March 2007 (Addendum VI)

Motion: Mr. Pollack
Second: Mr. Schofield
VOTE : Carried: 9-0

2. Award of Contract #7 – Elevator Work

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby awards the bid for Contract #7 – Elevator work to Otis Elevator Company for a total bid award of \$119,403.

Motion: Mr. Pollack
Second: Mr. Mayo
VOTE : Carried: 9-0

PART II

X. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE MEETINGS

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| May 2, 2007 | Public Hearing on the Budget
Doyle Middle School Media Center
6:00 p.m. |
| | Regular Board of Education Meeting
Doyle Middle School Media Center
6 or 6:30 p.m. Executive Session
7:00 p.m. Public Meeting |
| | Policy Committee Meeting
Doyle Middle School
Following the Board Meeting |
| May 7, 2007 | “Meet the Candidates Night” Forum
Troy Veteran’s Memorial Auditorium
7:30 p.m. |
| May 10, 2007 | Orientation Meeting for Election Inspectors |
| May 15, 2007 | Election Day |
| May 16, 2007 | Board of Education Workshop and Canvass of the Votes
Doyle Middle School Media Center
6:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m. Public Meeting |

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Education Committee Meeting
Doyle Middle School Media Center
Following the Workshop

May 22, 2007

Diversity Subcommittee Meeting
Doyle Middle School Media Center
6:00 p.m.

XI. MOTION TO ADJOURN

At approximately 8:05 p.m., Mr. Pollack made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. This was seconded by Mrs. Scully and the vote carried: 9-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva DeFiglio
Clerk of the Board