

MINUTES

Date of Meeting : March 18, 2009
Location of Meeting : School 12
Time of Meeting : 7:00 p.m.
Type of Meeting : Board of Education

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At approximately 6:04 p.m., Mr. Mayo, Vice President, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Mrs. Adams
Mrs. Clinton
Mrs. Harvin
Mr. Mayo
Mr. Pollack
Mrs. Scully
Mrs. Wager-Rounds

Members Absent

Mr. Schofield (out of town)

Also Present

Mr. Atiba-Weza - Superintendent
Dr. Rivers - Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Hopke - Director of Management Services
Mrs. O'Neill - School Business Administrator
Mrs. DeFiglio - Clerk of the Board
Mr. McCarthy - School Attorney

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 6:05 p.m., Mr. Mayo made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel/contractual matters. This was seconded by Mrs. Scully and the vote carried: 7-0. Dr. Rivers, Mr. Hopke, Mrs. O'Neill, Mr. McCarthy and Ms. Culligan were invited into the Executive Session.

IV. MOVE TO PUBLIC SESSION

At approximately 7:08 p.m., the members of the Board of Education reconvened back into public session.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. Superintendent Oral Report

Mr. Atiba-Weza gave an update on the accountability report and hopefully School 12 and the middle school will be off the list next year. Carroll Hill School made significant progress in closing the achievement gap.

VI. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Education Committee (Mrs. Scully/Mrs. Clinton)

The report will be given at the next meeting.

VII. PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Seth Cohen – TTA President

He addressed the retirements on page 2 and page 4. Two of the teachers retiring this evening had mentored him as a teacher. He addressed the unclassified retirements on page 4 and stated that without them the teachers could not do what they do in the classroom without them. One in particular, Felice Moffre, is like a fixture at the high school and will be sorely missed.

VIII. BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

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

- a. February 4, 2009 Regular Board of Education meeting
- b. February 9, 2009 Special Board of Education meeting
- c. February 11, 2009 Special Board of Education meeting
- d. February 25, 2009 Policy and Planning Committee meeting

Motion: Mr. Mayo
 Second: Mrs. Wager-Rounds
 VOTE : Carried: 7-0

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Staff Matters – UNCLASSIFIED (reviewed by Mr. Hopke/Dr. Rivers)

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

Items 1 through 9 were through a Consent Agenda.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
 Second: Mr. Pollack
 VOTE : Carried: 7-0

1. Unclassified Employee – Retirements

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>
a. Ellen Culliton	Grade 5	School 18	6/30/09
b. Jon Getbehead	Science	THS	6/30/09
c. Nancy Hogan	Teaching Assistant	School 16	6/30/09
d. Elliot Mazer	Science	THS	6/30/09
e. Jane Morano	Teaching Assistant	CHS	6/30/09
f. Sylvia Morton	English	DMS	6/30/09
g. Sharon Zugalla	Grade 2	School 14	6/30/09

2. Unclassified Employee – Leave of Absence

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSGNMT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)\</u>
<u>REASON</u>			
a. Sabina Dinardo w/o pay	Grade 5	School 14	4/7/09 – 4/30/09
b. Katherine Fitzpatrick-Wallen w/o pay	Special Education	School 12	3/18/09 – 3/20/09
c. Robert Wallen w/o pay	Physical Education	School 14	3/18/09 – 3/20/09

3. Unclassified Employee – Extend Probationary Period

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>TENURE</u>	<u>CERTIFICATION</u>
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			<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Lisa Nicklaus	Elementary Teacher	100%	6/30/09	Pre-K to Grade 6, Permanent

4. Appointments – 2008-09 Summer School Principal

Stella Ritter	Elementary	\$3,500.00
Jennifer Span	Secondary	\$5,500.00

5. Appointments – 2008-09 Spring Student Internships

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUPERVISING</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>
<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>				

Matthew Lieberman	Sage College	Physical Education	Paul Bearup	THS
Katelyn Loughman	College of St. Rose	English	Sheryl Schoonmaker	DMS
Shannon Sloan	College of St. Rose	Special Education	Patricia Loughman	School 18

6. Appointments – 2008-09 Extended School Day (1.5 hours/day @2-3 days per week)

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
14	Kira Merrills	Grade 3 Extended Program	\$30.00 per hour

7. Appointments – 2008-09 Odyssey of the Mind (1.5 hours/day @2-3 days per week)

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
12	Patricia McCarthy Schwartz	Substitute Teacher	\$24.95 per hour

8. Appointments – 2008-09 21st Century Program (2.5 hours per day)

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
12	Thomas Carroll	Teacher	\$30.00 per hour
DMS	Ryan Roberts	Teacher	\$30.00 per hour

9. Appointments – 2008-09 Teen Night Volunteers

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NAME</u>			
DMS	Dawn Baldwin	Maria Cornelius	Marilyn Houser	MaryEllen LaPlante
	Debra Valenti	Laura Bevevino	Paul Cregut	Michelle Houser
	Jeanne Mentiply	Jamie Waters	Dawn Bulmer	Judi Hoffman
	Nancy Houser	Michele Meyer	Michael Bulmer	Sandy Hogan
	Robin Jones	Becky Moses	Kerry Carhart	Matt Hogan
	Kimberly Loccisano	Jeannie Steigler		

Motion: Mr. Mayo
 Second: Mrs. Harvin

Discussion: **Mr. Mayo** thanked the retirees for all their years in the district and wished them well. **Mr. Pollack** also congratulated all the retirees on their retirement.

VOTE : Carried: 7-0

B. Staff Matters – CLASSIFIED (Reviewed by P. Hopke)

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

Items 1 through 3 were through a Consent Agenda.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
 Second: Mrs. Adams
 VOTE : Carried: 7-0

1. Classified Employee – Retirements

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE(S)</u>
a. Richard Coonrad	Sr. Custodian	School 12	9/9/09
b. Eva DeFiglio	Clerk of the Board	District	6/30/09
c. Patricia Givney	School Nurse	THS	6/30/09
d. Carol Hunt	Typist	School 12	8/21/09
e. Cecelia Leonard	Typist	THS	6/30/09
f. Felice Moffre	Typist	THS	5/16/09
g. Thomas Ralston	Sr. Custodian	DMS	10/30/09
h. Neil Ryan	Custodian	School 14	6/30/09
i. Carol Schrom	Secretary to the Superintendent		6/30/09
j. Emmet Schrom	AM Custodian	DMS	10/30/09
k. John Sorriento	Sr. Custodian	School 1	6/30/09
l. MaryEllen Williams	School Nurse	THS	6/30/09

2. Classified Employee - Leave of Absence

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATES</u>
a. Jessica Maloney without pay	Occupational Therapist	Elementary	3/12/09 – 5/31/09

3. Appointments – 2008-09 Spring Student Internships

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUPERVISING TEACHER</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Christine Mylott	Utica College	Physical Therapy	Michelle Gladd	Schools 12 & 16
Jeanine Saatnan	Maria College	Occupational Therapy	Holly Lockrow	School 16
Motion:	Mr. Mayo			
Second:	Mrs. Harvin			

Discussion: All the members of the Board wished the retirees well on their retirements and thanked them for all their years of service. Each of the members recognized Mrs. DeFiglio on her retirement.

VOTE : Carried: 7-0

C. Superintendent’s Recommendations – PROGRAMS

Items 1 through 3 were through a Consent Agenda.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
 Second: Mr. Pollack
 VOTE : Carried: 7-0

1. Professional Development

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves Donna Christmas to provide “Discipline in Classroom Strategies” on April 7, 2009 and shall be remunerated in the amount of \$600.00. (To be paid from MTIP)

2. Independent Educational Evaluators (Addendum II)

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the attached list of Independent Educational Evaluators.

3. Capital Repertory Theatre

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the Capital Repertory Theatre to provide an in-school performance of Friend of a Friend and to be remunerated in the amount of \$900.00 (Budget Code F09R2020.40 – 21st Century).

Motion: Mr. Mayo
Second: Mrs. Wager-Rounds
VOTE : Carried: 7-0

D. FINANCE/BUSINESS

1. Emergency Repairs

RESOLUTION: WHEREAS School 14 does not have its own on site heating system and derives its heat from the steam boiler plant at the High School which supplies heat to School 14 through underground hydrotherm piping; and

WHEREAS the underground hydrotherm piping has deteriorated to the point where alternative plans are required to ensure the ongoing provision of heat to School 14; and

WHEREAS the Board of Education has authorized its architect, TetraTech, to submit plans to the New York State Education Department to include the provision of an on site heating system for School 14 as part of the plans and specifications for work included in the scope of work identified as Review Number 072110 scheduled for 2009; and

WHEREAS emergency repairs are required to continue to provide heat to School 14 during the 2008-09 heating season;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the emergency repairs conducted by T. McElligott, Inc. on October 24, 2008 to the leaking hydrotherm piping and the subsequent emergency repairs on November 13 and November 14, 2008 to another section of leaking hydrotherm piping between the Troy High School and School 14.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
Second: Mrs. Scully
VOTE : Carried: 7-0

2. Creation of School One Student Association

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the creation of the School One Student Association.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
Second: Mrs. Scully
VOTE : Carried: 7-0

3. School One Student Association Advisor

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of Patti Bayly to the position of Advisor for the School One Student Association.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
Second: Mr. Pollack

VOTE : Carried: 7-0

4. Health Services Contract – Wynantskill School District

RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Health Services Contract for the Troy School District students attending private and parochial schools in the Wynantskill School District in the amount of \$21,782.94.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
Second: Mrs. Harvin
VOTE : Carried: 7-0

5. Cooperative Bid – Acquisition of Duplicating Supplies

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, authorize the Enlarged city School district of Troy to participate in a Cooperative Bid for the Acquisition of Duplicating Supplies. The Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central Schools will coordinate this effort.

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of school districts in New York State, to bid jointly on Duplicating Supplies AND...

WHEREAS, The Enlarged City School District of Troy is desirous of participating with Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake, Scotia-Glenville, Niskayuna, Mohonasen, Schalmont, Ballston Spa and Bethlehem Schools, in New York State in the joint bidding of the Duplicating Supplies mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Enlarged City School District of Troy hereby appoints Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central Schools to act as bidding agent AND...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Enlarged City School District of Troy authorizes Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central Schools to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned bid AND...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Enlarged City School District of Troy agrees: (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating school districts on quality standards; (2) that unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the bidding agent; (3) that after award of contract it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder.

Recommend adoption of the following resolution which will authorize this school district to participate in the joint agreement for Duplicating Supplies. The Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central School District will coordinate this cooperative effort.

WHEREAS, it is the plan of a number of school in New York State to agree jointly to award the Duplicating Supplies Bid, and

WHEREAS, the Enlarged City School District of Troy is desirous of participating with other school district in New York State in the joint agreement of the products mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0 and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Enlarged City School District of Troy hereby authorizes Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central School District to represent it in all matter leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned products, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Enlarged City School District of Troy agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of the agreement, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Enlarged City School District of Troy agrees: (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) it will negotiate contract according to the recommendations; (3) that after contract agreement it will conduct all negotiations directly with the vendor.

Motion: Mr. Mayo
Second: Mrs. Harvin
VOTE : Carried: 7-0

PART II

X. BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Election Machines

It was recapped that Liberty Voting Systems no longer leases out the voting machines. Also due to the fact that the only won 1 county for purchasing of the new voting machines, no longer carry the machines. Based on this information, the district will be using the voting machines from the county.

XI. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE MEETINGS

March 18, 2009	Board of Education Meeting School 12 6:00 p.m. Executive Session – if needed 7:00 p.m. Public Meeting Finance/Budget Committee meeting School 12 Following the Board Meeting
March 24, 2009	Policy and Planning Committee Meeting Doyle Middle School Media Center 6:00 p.m. Special Board Meeting for the Budget Workshop Doyle Middle School Media Center Following the Policy and Planning Meeting
April 1, 2009	Board of Education Meeting Doyle Middle School Media Center 6:00 p.m. Executive Session – if needed 7:00 p.m. Public Meeting Education Committee Meeting Doyle Middle School Media Center Following the Board Meeting

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

At approximately 7:40 p.m., Mr. Mayo made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. This was seconded by Mrs. Scully and the vote carried: 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva DeFiglio
Clerk of the Board