



Minutes of the Board of Education
Averill Park High School

February 8, 2011
Presiding: Neil Bonesteel

Members Present: Neil Bonesteel
Chris Foster
Jennie Glasser
Peter Schaefer
Pamela Tatar
Jessica Zweig
William Reinhardt

Student Ex-Officio Member: Kyle Gicewicz

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Josephine P. Moccia
Assistant Superintendent for Business: Michael Ouimet
Assistant Superintendent of Schools: Sharon Lawrence

6:00 p.m. – Executive Session

Recommended an executive session to discuss:

- proposed, pending or current litigation;
- collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;
- the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation;
- matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
- the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property;
- other [specify] _____

A meeting of the Board of Education was held at 6:30 p.m., February 8, 2011 at the Averill Park High School – *LGI Room*.

- I. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance Neil Bonesteel
- II. Superintendent’s Report PUBLIC COMMENT
- III. Public comment limited to topics on this evenings’ agenda. Those wishing to address the Board were asked to complete the request form and submit it to the Board in order to be recognized by the Board of Education President. Comments were limited to three minutes per speaker. CONSENT AGENDA
- IV. Consent agenda - move to approve the consent agenda as listed A-E
Although Board action is required, it is generally unnecessary to hold discussion on these items. With the consent of all members, they are therefore grouped and approval is given in one motion. In the event a Board member wants to discuss any item, it is moved to an appropriate place on the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED

A. RESOLVED, to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2011.

B. Financial Recommendations

FINANCIAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the proposal from Marvin & Company, P.C. to provide independent audit services for a three-years period: 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13.
2. RESOLVED, to approve to abolish the Grades 4/5 activity account at Poestenkill Elementary School.
3. RESOLVED, to approve to accept a donation in the amount of \$50 from Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Charbonneau for the Athletic Department in the name of Patricia McDowell-Sullivan and increase the General Fund budget by this amount (A2855400900000).
4. RESOLVED, to approve the 2010-11 Health and Welfare Contract with the Bethlehem Central School District in the amount of \$797.00 for one student attending non-public schools.
5. RESOLVED, to approve to accept student field trip fees in the amount of \$3,553.00 and increase the General Fund budget by this amount (A2110400200002).
6. RESOLVED, to approve the Budget Status Report and Revenue Status Report for January 2011.

C. Routine Personnel Actions

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board took action on routine resignations, appointments, leaves and terminations.

1. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the resignation for retirement purpose of Marie Hunt, Elementary teacher, effective June 30, 2011. Mrs. Hunt has been with the district for 26 years.
2. RESOLVED, to approve the following individuals as home instructors, effective January 24, 2011 through June 30, 2011: Colleen Reilly, Kristine Schaefer
3. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Donald Eyeran as school bus driver from 5.25 to 5.5 hours per day, effective February 14, 2011.
4. RESOLVED, to approve the reinstatement of Cynthia Ainsley as child care worker for 2.75 hours per day, effective January 31, 2011.

5. RESOLVED, to approve the reinstatement of Marlene Thompson as child care worker for 1.25 hours per day, effective January 31, 2011.
6. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Tia DeGuire as child care worker from 1.5 hours per day to 1.5 hours Monday and Friday and 3.5 hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, effective January 31, 2011.
7. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Colleen Catlin as child care worker from 12.25 hours per week to 3.75 hours per day, effective January 31, 2011.
8. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Rebecca Cushing as child care worker from 2 to 2.5 hours per day, effective January 31, 2011.
9. RESOLVED, to approve a change in status for Jane Danbury as school bus driver from probationary to permanent, effective February 9, 2011.
10. RESOLVED, to approve the following substitutes, contingent upon Section 87 Commissioner of Education regulation on fingerprint clearance:
 - Sally McKenna – teacher aide
 - Tamara Thibeault – teacher aide, school monitor, food service helper
 - Jean Villagio – teacher aide
 - Michael Walczak – school bus driver

SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS

- D. RESOLVED, to accept the recommendations made by the Committee on Special Education as a result of their meetings on January 10, 20 and 24, 2011 and the recommendations made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education as a result of their meeting on January 10, 2011. RESOLVED, to accept IEP Amendments – No Meeting – ID# 000205916, ID# 000019941 and ID# 000205260, as per new State Education Guidelines.
- E. RESOLVED, to approve an extended trip for Averill Park High School students to travel to Italy during April break 2012. (*Exact dates to be determined by school calendar*).

On a motion by Ms. Zweig, seconded by Mr. Foster, to approve consent agenda items A-E.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion Carried

- V. Presentations
 - A. Middle School Essential Elements
 - B. Budget Presentation

VI. Board Member Reports

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

VII. Visitor Comments

VISITOR COMMENTS

Visitors were invited to ask questions or to make brief comments to the Board. Those wishing to address the Board were asked to complete the request form and submit it to the Board in order to be recognized by the Board of Education President. Comments were limited to three minutes per speaker.

On a motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded Ms. Zweig, to move to go into Executive Session at 8:50 p.m., in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 5111, Article 7 and Subdivision E & F of the Laws of 1977 and Formal Opinion of Counsel No. 239, Paragraph B to discuss the following checked items:

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion Carried

VIII. Executive Session

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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X collective negotiations under the Taylor Law;

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IX. *Information Items:*

2010-2011 Board Meeting Schedule

2010-2011 Enrollment Summary Update

Mrs. Glasser left at 9:40 p.m.

On a motion by Mr. Reinhardt, seconded by Ms. Zweig, to return to regular session at 10:15 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

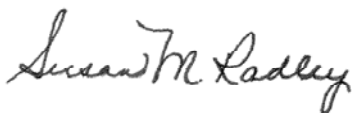
Motion Carried

On a motion by Mrs. Tatar, seconded by Mr. Schaefer, to adjourn meeting at 10:15 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried



Susan M. Radley, District Clerk