



Minutes of the Board of Education
Averill Park High School – Auditorium ~ 6:30 p.m.

May 8, 2012
Presiding: Chris Foster

6:30 p.m. ~ “Meet the Candidates”. Each candidate provided a two minute biography and then answered questions moderated by Questar BOCES personnel.

Ten Minute Break

Members Present: Chris Foster
Neil Bonesteel
Jessica Zweig
Jennie Glasser
Bill Reinhardt
Peter Schaefer
Sivan Saati, Student Ex-Officio Member

Members Absent: Dori Salisbury

Others Present: Interim Superintendent of Schools: Michael J. Marcelle
Assistant Superintendent of Schools: Sharon Lawrence
Assistant Superintendent for Business: Michael Ouimet
Superintendent of Schools, James Hoffman

A meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Averill Park High School – Auditorium on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

- I. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance Chris Foster
- I. Budget Hearing Presentation – Michael Marcelle, Interim Superintendent of Schools
- II. 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 Clerk in order to be recognized by the Board of Education President. Comments were limited to three minutes per speaker.
- III. Ten Minute Break
- IV. Consent agenda - move to approve the consent agenda as listed A-I
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.
 - A. RESOLVED, to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of April 17 and 24, 2012.
 - B. Financial Recommendations

1. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the Treasurer's Report for March 2012.
2. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the Claims Audit Report for March and April, 2012.
3. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the budget status report for May 2012.
4. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the revenue status report for May 2012.
5. RESOLVED, to approve budget transfers as presented for ordinary contingent expenditures necessary to maintain the educational program or necessary to preserve property to ensure the health and safety of students or staff.
6. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the Medicaid Report as submitted by Karie Mancino, Medicaid Compliance Officer for the quarter dated July 2011 to January 2012.
7. RESOLVED, to approve to establish a memorial account in memory of Rev. Dr. Raymond L. Kobielski. Dr. Kobielski was a principal at Averill Park High School. Friends of Dr. Kobielski will be making contributions to the memorial account. An award will be established and given annually to a graduating senior who meets the criteria for the award. (Awarded to a senior continuing their education at the college level and is a relative of Averill Park alumni).
8. RESOLVED, to approve to accept donations from the High School sponsored book sale in the amount of \$545.37 for the purpose of purchasing library books and increase the General Fund budget (A2610450100002) by this amount.
9. RESOLVED, to approve to accept a donation of \$10,900.00 from the West Sand Lake PTA for the purpose of funding playground improvements at the West Sand Lake Elementary School and increase the General Fund budget (A2110200000005) by this amount.
10. RESOLVED, to approve to accept student art lab fees and field trip fees in the amount of \$394 and increase the General Fund budget (A2110450101202, \$300.00; A2110400200002, \$94.00) by this amount.
11. RESOLVED, to approve to accept breakfast fees in the amount of \$68.00 as part of the Café 101 program and increase the General Fund budget (A2250450100002) by this amount.

12. RESOLVED, to approve to accept field trip fees in the amount of \$4,000.00 and increase the General Fund budget (A2110400200002) by this amount.
13. RESOLVED, to approve to accept a donation of \$21.00 from Hannaford Help Schools and increase the General Fund budget (A2110400200002) by this amount.
14. RESOLVED, to accept a donation from Dr. Craig Fischer, DMD for \$50 to the Algonquin Middle School to help alleviate the budget challenges facing school districts and increase the General Fund budget (A21104501000006) by this amount.
15. RESOLVED, to accept a donation of uniform tops valued at \$400 from the Averill Park Youth Lacrosse program for the Modified Girls' Lacrosse program.
16. RESOLVED, to approve the Instructional Contract between Averill Park Central School District and Wynantskill Union Free School District for the 2011-2012 school year.
17. RESOLVED, to approve the 2011-12 Health and Welfare Contract with the East Greenbush Central School District in the amount of \$3,790.85 for 7 students attending non-public schools.
18. RESOLVED, to approve the 2011-12 Health and Welfare Contract with the Enlarged City School District of Troy in the amount of \$4,383.54 for 7 students attending non-public schools.
19. RESOLVED, to approve the 2011-12 Health and Welfare Contract with the Albany City School District in the amount of \$14,263.70 for 22 students attending non-public schools.
20. RESOLVED, to approve to declare 140 text books as obsolete and authorize their disposal.

C. Routine Personnel Actions

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

1. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the resignation of Margaret Squazzo as Varsity Bowling Coach, effective April 11, 2012.
2. RESOLVED, to approve the resignation for retirement purposes of Sally Southard as teacher aide, effective June 28, 2012. Ms. Southard has been with the district for 23 years.

3. RESOLVED, to approve the resignation for retirement purposes of Karen Andriano as Food Service Manager, effective June 30, 2012. Ms. Andriano has been with the district for 13 years.
 4. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Alicia Fiato as teacher aide from 2 to 2.25 hours per day, effective May 14, 2012.
 5. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Carla Wagner as school bus attendant from 4.25 to 5 hours per day, effective May 14, 2012.
 6. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for Cathy O'Shea as school bus attendant from 3.5 to 4.25 hours per day, effective May 14, 2012.
- D. RESOLVED, to accept the recommendations made by the Committee on Special Education as a result of their meetings on March 30, April 4, 16, 26, 27, 2012 and the recommendations made by the Sub-Committee on Special Education as a result of their meetings on March 27, 28, 29, 30, April 2, 3, 5, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 26, 2012.
- E. RESOLVED, to approve an extended trip to Costa Rica during April break of 2013 for approximately 30 Spanish High School students.
- F. RESOLVED, to approve the following high school course offered at the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year with the existing staff:
First Year Seminar
- G. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the following Educational Development Committee (EDC) project for the 2011-2012 school year: Collaborative Greenhouse Courtyard Garden Project.
- H. RESOLVED, to approve the School District Calendar for the 2012-2013 school year.
- I. RESOLVED, to approve to adopt the following Resolutions:
- Approve the appointment of the Inspectors of Election and Custodian of Voting Machines to conduct the budget proposition and school board member vote on May 15, 2012, as per the list provided.
- Approve the appointment of Yvonne Phillips as Chief Inspector of Election to conduct the Budget Proposition and School Board Member vote on May 15, 2012.

On a motion by Mrs. Glasser, seconded by Ms. Zweig, to approve consent agenda items A-I.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried

V. Averill Park Central School District Board of Education Resolution Opposing Unfunded and Under-funded State Mandates

On a motion by Ms. Zweig, seconded by Mr. Schaefer, to approve the Averill Park Central School District Board of Education Resolution Opposing Unfunded and Under-funded State Mandates.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried

VII. Approve the revised contract between Averill Park Central School District and Greenbush Child Caring, Inc. for the 2012-2013 school year.

On a motion by Ms. Zweig, seconded by Mr. Bonesteel, to approve the revised contract between Averill Park Central School District and Greenbush Child Caring, Inc. for the 2012-2013 school year.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried

VIII. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement by the Averill Park Central School District and the Averill Park Administrators Association dated April 20, 2012 and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the agreement.

On a motion by Mr. Bonesteel, seconded by Mrs. Glasser, to table the Memorandum of Agreement by the Averill Park Central School District and the Averill Park Administrators Association dated April 20, 2012 to Executive Session.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried

IX. Visitor Comment

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 Clerk in order to be recognized by the Board of Education President. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker.

X. Board Reports

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Mr. Bonesteel, to move to go into Executive Session at 8:30 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: 6

NO: 0

Motion Carried

XI. Executive Session

Recommend 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] _____

XII. Information Items:

2011-2012 Board Meeting Schedule

Budget Transfers of \$10,000 or less

Tenure Recommendations

On Board – School News – Keeping School Buses Running

Mr. Reinhardt left at 8:31 p.m.

On a motion by Ms. Zweig, seconded by Mr. Schaefer, to move out of Executive Session at 9:27 p.m.

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

On a motion by Mr. Bonesteel, seconded by Mr. Schaefer, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement by the Averill Park Central School District and the Averill Park Administrators Association dated April 20, 2012 and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the agreement. (9:28 p.m.)

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

On a motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Mr. Bonesteel, to allow the Superintendent to sign a listing agreement with Scott Film Realty for the Sand Lake Elementary School. (9:29 p.m.)

YES: 5

NO: 0

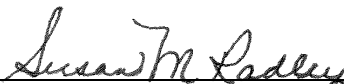
Motion Carried

On a motion by Mrs. Glasser, seconded by Mr. Schaefer, to adjourn meeting at 9:30 p.m.

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried



Susan M. Radley, District Clerk