



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

October 23, 2012
Presiding: Chris Foster

Members Present: Chris Foster
Jennie Glasser
Dori Salisbury
Peter Schaefer
Jessica Zweig
District Clerk: Susan Radley

Members Absent: Neil Bonesteel
Bill Reinhardt

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools: Dr. James D. Hoffman
Assistant Superintendent of Schools: Sharon Lawrence
Assistant Superintendent for Business: Michael Ouimet
Representatives from Twin Town Little League
Community members

A Bus Purchase/Poestenkill Land Donation Presentation was held at 6 p.m. in the HS Cafeteria.

A meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Averill Park High School – *Cafeteria* on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. (*Meeting began at 7:21 p.m.*)

- I. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Superintendent's Report
- 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.
- 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.
 - A. RESOLVED, to approve the Minutes of October 9, 2012.
 - B. Financial Recommendations FINANCIAL RECOMMENDATIONS
 1. RESOLVED, to approve the revenue status report for September 2012.
 2. RESOLVED, to approve the budget status report for September 2012.
 3. RESOLVED, to approve budget transfers as presented for ordinary contingent expenditures necessary to maintain the educational program or necessary to preserve property or ensure the health and safety of students or staff.

4. RESOLVED, to approve to accept student art lab fees in the amount of \$1,330 and increase the General Fund budget (A2110450101202) by this amount.
5. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education amends the Flex Benefit plan by adopting the summary to reflect federal changes to the maximum flex spending account reimbursement as detailed on Page 4, Paragraph 2.

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 of Sondra Willis as teacher aide, effective October 26, 2012.
2. RESOLVED, to approve to accept the resignation of Martha Scanu as Varsity Basketball Cheerleading Coach, effective October 5, 2012.
3. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Meghan Krug Varsity Basketball Cheerleading Coach, effective November 5, 2012.
4. RESOLVED, to approve an increase in hours for John Kwasnowski as school bus driver from 5.25 to 5.5 hours per day, effective October 29, 2012.
5. RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Jo-Anne Rounds as Home Instructor for the 2012-2013 school year.
6. RESOLVED, to approve the following substitutes, contingent upon Section 87 Commissioner of Education regulation on fingerprint clearance:
Louis Gaspard - school bus driver

SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS

D. Special Education Recommendations

RESOLVED, to approve to accept the recommendations made by the Committee on Special Education and their meetings on October 2 and 4, 2012; and approve amendments - No Meeting – ID#000305272, ID#000205262, ID#000301011 and ID#000201664 as per new State Education Guidelines.

EXTENDED TRIP APPROVED

- E. RESOLVED, to approve an overnight trip to Washington, D.C. on Friday, March 22-Sunday, March 24, 2013 for approximately 40-48 high school students.

On a motion by Mrs. Salisbury, seconded by Mrs. Glasser, to approve consent agenda items A-E.

YES: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

V. Discussion Items

VI. Board Member Reports

VII. Visitor Comments

Visitors were invited to make brief comments or direct questions to the Board.

Those wishing to address the Board were asked to complete the top portion of the request

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

Visitors wishing to ask questions were asked to complete the bottom portion of the request form and submit it to the Clerk. The Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee will research the question and contact the individual who submitted the request. When possible, questions will be answered immediately.

Anyone wishing to ask questions is always encouraged to send their question to the Board of Education or Superintendent via our school website.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Mrs. Glasser, to move to go into Executive Session at 7:50 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: 5

NO: 0

Motion Carried

Mrs. Glasser left prior to Executive Session.

VIII. 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] _____

IX. Information Items:

2012-2013 Board Meeting Schedule

Budget Transfers of \$10,000 or less

On a motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Mrs. Salisbury, to return to regular session at 8:30 p.m.

YES: 4

NO: 0

Motion Carried

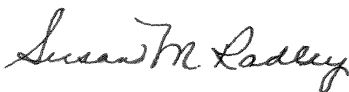
MEETING ADJOURNED

On a motion by Ms. Zweig, seconded by Mrs. Salisbury, to adjourn meeting at 8:31 p.m.

YES: 4

NO: 0

Motion Carried



Susan M. Radley, District Clerk