

Meeting of the Board of Education
Hicksville Union Free School District
Town of Oyster Bay, Hicksville, NY
Board Room, Administration Building

October 21, 2009

Recorded
Approved 11/18/09

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Powell, Ms. Garger, Ms. Sommers, Mr. Culhane, Ms. Lee. Mr. Coutieri arrived at approximately 7:18PM. Mr. Edelman arrived at approximately 8:16PM.

ALSO PRESENT: Maureen Bright, Supt of Schools; Brian Heyward, Asst Supt for Personnel; Marianne. Litzman, Asst Supt for Curr & Instruc; Sharon Denué, Asst Supt. for Business; Gary Steffanetta, Attorney.

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Powell at approximately 7:13PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NO. 1 Ms. Sommers moved, seconded by Ms. Garger, that the Board of Education recess into Executive Session to discuss personnel, special education and advice of counsel.

Voting on No. 1: 5-0. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education recessed into Executive Session at approximately 7:13PM. The Board returned from Executive Session at approximately 8:35PM. No action was taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Garger made the following announcements:

- A. Wednesday, November 4, 2009
Board of Education Committee Meetings
Board Room, Administration Building – 7:30 PM
- B. Wednesday, November 18, 2009
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Executive Session – 7:00 PM
Action Meeting – *Approximately* 8:30 PM
Board Room, Administration Building

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Reports were presented as follows:

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- Board Recognition

WARRANT REPORT

The Board of Education received the Warrant Report from the Claims Auditor for the period September 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009. *Filed with Official Minutes.*

GENERAL PUBLIC

MINUTES

NO. 2 Ms. Garger moved, seconded by Ms. Sommers, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meetings as prepared by the District Clerk:

- Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 23, 2009
- Minutes of Audit Committee Meeting of October 14, 2009

Voting on No. 2: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

CERTIFIED STAFF

NO. 3 Mr. Coutieri moved, seconded by Ms. Garger, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the actions detailed in the Personnel Actions Report:

Voting on No. 3: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS & FINANCE

OMNIBUS MOTION

NO. 4 Mr. Edelman moved, seconded by Mr. Coutieri, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

1. Treasurer's Report

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2009. *Filed with Official Minutes*

2. Transfer Report

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the Transfer Report for the period September 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009. *Attachment No. 2*

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3. Independent Auditor's Report
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the Independent Auditor's Report for fiscal year 2008-2009. *Filed with Official Minutes*
4. Bond Counsel
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract with Hawkins, Delafield & Wood as Bond Counsel for the Bond Anticipation Note for the district for fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 at a fee not to exceed \$5,235. *Attachment No. 3*
5. Financial Advisors
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve an additional \$3,000 to NYMAC (New York Municipal Advisors Corporation) to cover the cost of financial advisory services for the Bond Anticipation Note for the 2009-2010 school year, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 4*
6. Award of Bid
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to award the bid for SMART Board equipment, supplies and installation, Phase I only, Phase II subject to approval of application for ARRA funding, to Tequipment, Inc. the lowest responsible bidder meeting district specifications, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 5*
7. Consultant Contract
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract between Karen Smith and the Hicksville School District for the provision of professional staff development from October 22, 2009 through April 7, 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$16,500, subject to approval of application for ARRA funding, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 6*
8. Consultant Services Contract
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract between Jacqueline Nenchin and the Hicksville School District for the provision of professional staff development from October 29, 2009 through May 20, 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000, subject to approval of application for ARRA funding, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 7*
9. Consultant Contract
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is

asked to approve a contract between RCP Consultants and the Hicksville School District for the provision of professional staff development from October 28, 2009 through June 11, 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$27,000, subject to approval of application for ARRA funding, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 8*

10. Health and Welfare Services Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the health services contract with Jericho School District. Said contract reimburses individual school districts for health services provided to students who reside in Hicksville and attend private/parochial schools in other school districts for the 2008-2009 school year as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 9*

11. Federal Grant Subcontracts

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract with Manhasset School District, Approved Special Education provider pursuant to Federal 611 and 619 IDEA Flow-through funds to Section 4410 for preschool and/or school age students for the 2007-2008 school year. *Attachment No. 10*

12. Administration of Scholarship Funds

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the funds for, and charges the district treasurer with the administration of, a scholarship in the name of The Ricky Green Memorial Scholarship. *Attachment No. 11*

13. New Student Extra Classroom Activity Club

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the “Students Against Destructive Decisions” (SADD) Club in the extra classroom activity account of the Middle School. *Attachment No. 12*

14. Obsolete Equipment

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the disposal of obsolete equipment as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 13*

Voting on No. 4: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

OMINUBUS MOTION

NO. 5 Mr. Coutieri moved, seconded by Mr. Edelman, that the Board of Education, upon the

recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

1. Committee on Special Education
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the CSE reports. *Filed with Official Minutes*
2. Committee on Preschool Special Education
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the CPSE reports. *Filed with Official Minutes*
3. Section 504
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the Section 504 reports. *Filed with Official Minutes*
4. Special Education and 504 Plans
The Board of Education is asked to approve the District Special Education and 504 Plans for Continuum of Programs and Services for the period September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2010. *Filed with Official Minutes*
5. Impartial Hearing Officer
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Arthur Venezia to serve as Impartial Hearing Officer in the matter of a due process request by the parent of a certain student listed on Confidential Schedule "A", in accordance with District guidelines and policy.
6. Donation
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the following monetary donations from Target's "Take Charge of Education Program":

Burns Avenue	\$153.52
Dutch Lane	65.64
East Street	110.62
Fork Lane	190.02
Lee Avenue	165.71
Old Country Road	155.35
Woodland	175.40
Middle School	267.88

Voting on No. 5: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

POLICY

Adoption

NO. 6 Mr. Culhane moved, seconded by Ms. Sommers, that the following policies are presented to the Board of Education for adoption:

- # 1130E List of Official School District Newspapers 2009-2010
- # 1280E List of Sponsored Senior Citizen Clubs 2009-2010
- # 2461E List of Persons Issued Policy Manuals 2009-2010
- # 4320E Committee on Special Education 2009-2010 Membership
- # 4321.2E Committee on Preschool Special Education 2009-2010 Membership
- # 4321.3E Independent Education Evaluations Exhibit

Voting on No. 6: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously. Attachment No. 15

Reading

The following policies are presented to the Board of Education for reading:

- # 4321.3 Independent Educational Evaluations
- # 4321.3R Independent Educational Evaluations Regulation
- # 4861E Notice Regarding Student use of the Internet Attachment No. 16

CURRICULUM

OMNIBUS MOTION

NO. 7 Ms. Garger moved, seconded by Mr. Coutieri, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

1. Curriculum Writing

The Board of Education is asked to approve the following curriculum writing documents:

- Third Grade General Music
- Geometry Regents
- Geometry Honors Attachment No. 17

2. New Course Proposals

The Board of Education is asked to approve the following new course proposals:

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A Bridge to Algebra
Geometry Non-Regents
Algebra II/Trigonometry Non-Regents
Advanced Placement Calculus BC

3. Professional Development Plan
The Board of Education is asked to approve the Hicksville School District's Professional Development Plan. *Filed with Official Minutes*

Voting on No. 7: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously. .

DISCUSSION ITEM

Dutch Lane Enrollments/Class Size

GENERAL PUBLIC

Resolution

- NO. 8 Ms. Sommers moved, seconded by Mr. Coutieri, Resolved, on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of a set of two speakers from the Hicksville Athletic Booster Club with an approximate value of \$2,000 subject to the Superintendent receiving a written letter from the Hicksville Athletic Booster Club, and the speakers meeting the specifications set forth by the Superintendent or her designee on or before Saturday, October 25, 2009.

Voting on No. 8: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously. *Attachment No. 18*

ADJOURNMENT

- NO. 9 Ms. Sommers moved, seconded by Mr. Coutieri that the Board of Education Meeting be adjourned.

Voting on No. 9: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:05PM.

Helen Murray
District Clerk