

Schuylerville Central School

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2014

Board Members Present: Stan Barber, Mike Booth, Becky King, Jack Macica, Veronica Wood, and Dr. Sherman

Board Member(s) Absent: Lou Maggiore and Robert Thivierge

Administration Present: Gregg Barthelmas, Eric Blakely, Laura Delair, Aaron Grady, John Haggerty, Lynn Mastrianni, and Matt Sickles

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

At 7:00 pm President Stan Barber called the meeting to order and led the pledge.

II. *PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments at this time.

III. PEP/GREEN RIBBON SCHOOLS REPORT

Angela Meislin reported the following:

- Tae Kwon Do Program raised \$1625
- 5th grade St. Patrick's Social
- Rainbow Food Week was a success items such as homemade hummus
- April Poetry Contest 0 winners to be announced soon
- Raffle Basket raised \$1336. Bake Sale not finalized
- 5th grade moving up is June 20th
- Tools for School approximate balance is 54,000 points
- Box Tops fund raiser donated \$815.46 to Arts-In-Education
- Hosting staff appreciation lunch in May

Green Ribbon Schools

- Family Earth Night was April 25th planned by the Middle School Green Team
- Family Recess Night was May 7th planned by High School Environmental Club
- Screen Free Week is May 5-9th
- Turtle Challenge will begin after Memorial Weekend
- Levi Cahan and his students will be starting a school garden to donate the food.

IV. STA REPORT

Jason Mehan reported the following:

- Elementary Effective Schools has decided to bring back the Pep Rally next year.
- Invitations to attend the Outdoor Education Program for 6th grade at Camp Chingachgook were given to the board members.

V. BOARD DISCUSSION

Peter Schmidt presented the Board with a proposed foreign language trip to Central America in 2016. The approximate cost per student is \$2,300 for 10 days. The itinerary involves Flores, Jungle Lodge at Tikal, Tikal National Park, Antigua, touring the Old Colonial City, hiking the Pacaya Volcano, Lake Atitlan, coffee tour, just to name a few. Mr. Schmidt feels this is an alternate choice to the Spain/France trip in 2015.

VI. BOARD ACTION

A. J. Macica moved, seconded by Becky King to approve the following consent business items as presented:

- To accept the regular minutes of April 7, 2014.

- To accept the BOCES meeting minutes of April 22, 2014.
- To declare bus #117 Vin # 1HVBBABN2YH337794 and # 120 Vin # 1GDHG31F6Y1203043 an obsolete/surplus.
- To approve and accept the 2013-2014 Property Tax Report Card.
- To accept the Financial Reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2014.
- To accept the Claims Auditor Report for March and April 2014.
- To accept the March 2014 Treasurer's Report.
- To declare the following obsolete/surplus:
 - 3 cots tag # 10833, 10834 and one without a tag number;
 - 1- ASKO automatic transfer switch series 300, 400 amps, 3 phase, cat # A300340041xc, Serial # 143317;
 - 1- square D 225 amp, enclosed circuit breaker;
 - 1- square D 100 amp, enclosed, 3 pole circuit breaker;
 - 1- square D 250 amp, enclosed circuit breaker;
 - 1-GE 400 amp, Hi Break circuit breaker, cat No. SGHB36BB0400;
 - 1-Square D 400 amp circuit breaker, LA36400;
 - 1-Square D 400 amp molded case circuit breaker, LA36400 series 4.

Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

- B. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to approve the CSE/CPSE Section 504 recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- C. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to approve 12 additional credit hours for Tyler Greene for courses taken effective January 28, 2014. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- D. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to accept the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Schuylerville Central School District hereby re-appoints Laura Foehser from the seniority/recall list, pursuant to Education Law 3013, to a teaching position in the elementary tenure area, effective September 2, 2014 at MA Step 6 +18 . Laura Foehser will be reinstated with the 1 (one) year and 10 (ten) months seniority which she had accrued prior to being exceded. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- E. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to amend and adopt the following policy # 7511 Immunization of Students. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- F. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to accept the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Schuylerville Central School District hereby approves the amendment to the employment agreement of Ryan Sherman as Superintendent of Schools, dated May 12, 2014, setting forth the revised terms and conditions of his employment and approves the payment of money provided therein. Motion carried 4-1 (Veronica Wood).
- G. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to approve the 2014-2015 Athletic Advisors and Co-Curricular Advisors as attached. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- H. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to accept the following resolution: WHEREAS, pursuant to a resolution of the Board under section 3651(1-a) of the Education Law, the Schuylerville Central School District established a reserve fund known as the Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund to be used for the purpose of paying judgments and claims from a tax certiorari proceeding, in accordance with Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law; and WHEREAS, the establishment resolution provided for the future funding of this Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying anticipated liabilities from pending Article 7 cases; IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED: The Schuylerville Central School District Board hereby transfers, from the current fund balance to the Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund the amount of one hundred ninety-four thousand and 00/100 (\$194,000) dollars, for the payment of pending tax certiorari claims and judgments resulting from challenges to the 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14 tax roll. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- I. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to accept the resignation of Cathy Drew as Internal Claims Auditor effective May 12, 2014. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- J. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to appoint Mary Jennings as Internal Claims Auditor (\$15.50 per hour) effective May 13, 2014. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)
- K. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to accept the resignation of Dawn Champagne as cafeteria monitor effective May 16, 2014. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

L. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to approve the 6th grade Outdoor Education Program at Camp Chingachgook, Lake George, NY on June 2-6, 2014. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

VII. *PUBLIC COMMENTS

VIII. ANTICIPATED EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

At 7:29 p.m. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to enter executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

At 8:25 p.m. J. Macica moved, seconded by B. King to return to public session and adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

* A public comment period not to exceed thirty (30) minutes each shall be provided at each business meeting. In an effort to provide an opportunity for all interested speakers, all speakers shall be limited to three (3) minutes during the public comment period. When members of the public speak to the Board, they shall state their name and address, the name of the organization (if any) which they represent, and the agenda item they wish to comment on. Please be aware that by law individual student information or particular personnel issues cannot be discussed at public sessions of the board. The Board will not permit interruptions, slanderous remarks or "name-calling" by speakers or the audience. We take public comment very seriously and careful notes will be taken. However, the board generally does not respond while the meeting is in public session.