

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

WORKSHOP MEETING

6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012

Bennett Elementary School

MINUTES

1. Opening Items

- 1.01 Call to Order 6:00
- 1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement
- 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.04 Roll Call

Present: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit,
Not Present: Trustee McKeon, Trustee Hickey

2. Executive Session

- 2.01 Enter Executive Session at approximately 6:05

Motion: Enter executive session to discuss the employment history of the Treasurer, Confidential Staff and a particular administrator also to discuss pending litigation and OTA negotiations.

Motioned By: Trustee Osmond

Second By: Trustee Kurnit

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit,

Not Present: Trustee McKeon, Trustee Hickey

Now Present

Mike arrived at approximately 6:45 pm

- 2.02 Exit Executive Session

Motion: The Board will vote to exit executive session

Motioned By: Trustee Fletcher

Second By: Trustee Spencer

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit,
Trustee McKeon

Not Present: Trustee Hickey

- 2.03 Re-enter Public Session at approximately 7:30

Motion: The Board will vote to re-enter public session at approximately

Motioned By: Trustee Fletcher

Second By: Trustee Spencer

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit,
Trustee McKeon

Not Present: Trustee Hickey

3. Acceptance of Minutes

- 3.01 Accept the minutes (proposed 7:35)

Motion: The Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of 9/11/12

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Fletcher

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

Not Present: Trustee Hickey

4. Welcome

4.01 Principal Gabriel Buono will welcome the Board (proposed 7:40)

8:10

Principal Gabriel Buono reported:

- Open House will have staggered start time to accommodate parents with children in multiple grades
 - 4:15 4th grade parent
 - 5:15 3rd and 5th grade parents
 - 6:15 6th grade parents
- Use Infinite Campus to release 5 week reports on Parent Portal instead of paper sent home
 - Parents will be able to sign up for Parent Portal tomorrow night
 - Parents without computers will be mailed hard copy
- After school activities
 - 150 students staying for after school activities (4th through 6th)
 - Varying numbers each night
 - Art is most popular
 - surveying children who did not get into art: they will choose next art activity - origami or masks

5. Board District News

5.01 The Board will announce district news (proposed 7:45)

Trustee Osmond attended Fiber Flame PTA fundraiser

- Owners wanted to do a fundraiser that will benefit both Onteora and Saugerties Elementary PTAs
- Raised \$763 for each district's PTA
- Mission is to further creative arts in the schools

Trustee Fletcher went to a student-organized 5k run to benefit an orphanage in Laos

- extremely well coordinated

Trustee McGillicuddy reported:

- Thursday Ulster County Legislative Action Committee meeting in New Paltz.
 - Cecilia Tkaczyk, running for State Senate, is coming to meeting
- West Hurley Committee has 7 community members and the first meeting is on 10/11/12 at 6pm at Central
- On 10/15/12, Dr. McGill, Trustee Osmond and Trustee McGillicuddy will have a meeting with Mike Hein

6. Superintendent District News

6.01 The Superintendent will report on District News (proposed 7:50)

Superintendent Phyllis McGill reported:

- Emphasize what Principal Gabriel Buono said about after school program
 - Stagger days and times of staff so there is no additional cost to District for after school
 - Offerings are: Football; indoor field hockey; science; gardening; music: guitar, jam band or jazz band; art: sculpture, piñatas, jewelry making and water colors
- Accident reported in Freeman correction: dump truck hit the bus
- At the NYSCOSS meeting met with Commissioner King

7. Student Representative Report

7.01 Liza Tumen, the Student Representative to the Board will report (proposed 7:55)

- Big debate now is to have a color or black and white year book
- Yesterday was last day to vote for junior/senior class officers
- Girls Soccer team won yesterday
- Sat. is football game – hoping to win first home game in 15 years
- Week after is Homecoming

8. Public/Student Comment

8.01 The public and students may comment on any agenda or non agenda item.

(proposed 8:00 duration 10 min or more)

No comment was made

9. Reports

9.01 Mike Rossi, External Auditor Report (proposed 8:10 duration 10 min)

8:25

- Reported to Audit Committee, as required by 5 point plan
- Reserves:
 - Repair reserve can only be used with a public hearing, or money has to be replaced in within 2 years
 - Employee retirement can only used for Employee Retirement System (ERS not TRS)
 - Unemployment Reserve is for unemployment only
 - Tax Certiorari is to hedge tax proceedings
 - if favorable, the money returned to the undesignated fund balance
 - Capital Reserve can only be spent with voter approver
 - Debt Reserve can only be used for payments of debts
 - Employee benefit reserve is for paying out benefits (i.e. sick days upon retirement)
 - Assigned Fund Balance is the amount of money placing back in budget for next year and for encumbrances (carry over purchase orders from the last year)
 - Unassigned General Fund is the amount allowed to carry in Fund Balance (4%)
- School Lunch Fund has negative a fund balance
 - supported by General Fund with \$225,000 but still lost \$96,000
- Some ECA clubs had no fiscal activity

- Board should look at them and see if money should be transferred
- Expenditures of federal awards was \$1.3 million
 - Federal awards will be below \$1 million next year
- All opinions by West and Company are positive (clean opinion)

9.02 Richard Kohrs will report on the Energy Performance Contract (proposed 8:20 duration 30 min)

8:40

- Work with District to enhance strategic goals that District has set for Facilities
 - Continue the school district's commitment to facility renewal and to be energy efficient
- Environmental impact:
 - 1.4 million pounds of carbon out of environment due to this project
- Energy savings of \$198,000 per year
 - Biggest savings is in building controls, lighting, pipe insulation, boilers and domestic hot water heaters
- Program includes:
 - Windows at Woodstock
 - Boilers at Phoenicia
 - Domestic hot water heaters instead of using the boilers to heat water
 - Building Management System – all schools will be linked with network control system
 - Lighting improvement system goes even further than Central Hudson
 - Lighting controls
 - Exterior lighting
 - Solar voltaic as an educational tool in HS
 - Gyms, auditorium and large rooms will have fans – high up, low impact
 - to help circulate warm air so boilers won't have to work as hard
 - Steam traps
 - Electronic device management
 - Vending machine controls
 - Insulating pipes at Middle School/High School
 - New weather stripping
 - Kitchen hot water valves replaced so it forces people to stand by sink when hot water is on
 - Engine block heater controls

Discussion

- Facilities Committee unanimously approved the EPC
- Boilers rated at 95% efficient
- Possible to use woody bio mass for one of the new boilers?
 - On smaller scale not bad to go with pellets or wood
 - Very costly
 - Emissions from wood burning boilers of that size very difficult to get approved by SED
 - Burden falls on Director of Facilities Jared Mance and staff to keep going
 - Oil boilers are consistent and easier to run

- Provided to Facilities committee – Woody bio mass works where it is not required to have heat everyday students are there
 - Does not work as primary boilers for a school
- SED does not look favorable when changing heating methodologies when doing EPC
- Required to install dual fuel burners on all new boilers in NYS – must be liquid (not wood)
- Can build on solar energy to be more than educational
- Any asbestos not known prior to start of work is not their responsibility
- Tracking of savings has already started
 - Looked at energy bills through process
 - Continue to collect information through construction, post construction and through 18 year contract
 - Make sure there is no change in building operation, no unforeseen incident at school (i.e transformer out – utility use plummeted)
- For first year after completion letter signed, will monitor district closely to be sure all equipment is functioning the way it was designed

9.03 Report on Florida Trip for the Baseball Team (proposed 8:50 duration 10 min)
9:30

Varsity Baseball Coach/Teacher Mike Kocher:

- Asking if Varsity Baseball team can make a Florida trip during Spring Break 2013
- In 2006-2008 team made 3 trips
 - Same plan for 2013
 - Each plan went off perfectly
- In order for trip to be possible there are 2 criteria:
 - Spring break is before the season starts
 - Players must be responsible, trustworthy and reliable
- Asking for 3 things:
 - Players use supplemental insurance
 - Allow team to use equipment in Florida
 - Provide transportation to and from the airport
 - Team will reduce number of scrimmages to offset cost for transportation.
 - Completely funded by players

Discussion:

- Team would be eliminating a scrimmage and a non-league game (\$350 each) to pay for the airport transportation
- Currently 13 students committed – 19 eligible (participated in JV or Varsity for 1 year)
- Board did approve the Spanish Club airport transportation 2 years ago

9.04 Claims Auditor, Julie Wright will present the 2011-2012 Report (proposed 9:00)
9:40

- Completed first year

- 3,000 claims for year and there were few mistakes
- 4 areas of concern:
 - Incorrect invoice numbers
 - Incorrect number amounts on warrants
 - Insufficient back up
 - Missing approval signatures

10. ** 5 Minute Break

10.01 The Board will take a 5 minute break (proposed 9:05)
9:40

11. Board Goals

11.01 The Board will discuss their Goals for 2012-2013 (proposed 9:10 duration 20 min)
9:45
Consensus to approve 2012-2013 goals

I. Educational Vision

Promote a stimulating, healthy and safe environment conducive to learning, which improves the educational experience for all students, creates a stimulating learning environment that teaches beyond the test while meeting State and Federal requirements, and that increases graduation rate and aspirational performance measures.

Action Items

1. Continue or begin to study, at Board and Superintendent level, effectiveness and cost of integrating or further integrating such programs, courses and models as: International Baccalaureate, Project Lead the Way, STEM, E-Learning, Blended Learning, College and Career Readiness.
2. Request quarterly reports to study effectiveness of new grade configuration within the elementary schools: K-3 at Phoenicia and Woodstock, and Grades 4-6 at Bennett. Visit schools as necessary to see new model, especially that of Project Based Learning at Bennett, in operation.
3. Use data, as provided by Superintendent, to more effectively understand challenges and success rates of student body working towards graduation; request educational recommendations from Superintendent to further improve rates and individual performance, and approve accordingly.
4. Promote a learning environment emphasizing the unique character of Onteora with a curriculum-wide integration of the arts, environmental studies (as "Nature's Classroom") and local history, and support it with professional development as necessary. Explore the Catskill Center's "Sense of Place" curriculum as an example.
5. Encourage the expansion of technology into the educational environment to enhance instructional effectiveness and improve communication and efficiency.
6. Request and study information on pre-K programs within the District, and consider ways to improve Universal pre-K opportunities, either within or outside of the school buildings.
7. Ensure, through dialogue with and reports from Superintendent, effective transition from new Intermediate school at Bennett into Middle School, so as to improve social structure and educational results.

II. Facilities

Implement 5 Year Facilities Plan, and Energy Performance Contract. Review and maintain/renovate the District's facilities and grounds incorporating environmentally sustainable practices; use such practices as a teaching tool for students, to improve academic education and social culture.

Action Items

1. Establish a Board Advisory Committee to explore/advise on possibilities for the West Hurley Campus.
2. Establish an annual timetable for appraisal of current and future projects and present report to the community each Fall.

III. Community & Culture

Maintain an open, positive relationship with the Community and Superintendent and continue to work together to improve the culture in our schools and to advocate for and engage our Community.

Action Items

1. Work to raise Community interest and engagement in our local public schools (i.e. meeting with PTA, PTSO, HS Alliance, town boards, local groups, senior citizens, Rotary.)
2. Foster a climate for all district professionals to promote a positive climate for staff and for the educational experience of our Students.

3. Explore multiple uses of our schools for our Community.
4. Promote health and wellness in our school district.
5. Reduce bullying in all its forms through education and example.
6. Study later start time opportunities.
7. Advocate through the Legislative Action Committee and NYSSBA

IV. Budget & Finance

Maintain a long term fiscal plan that protects and maximizes the district assets through the use of collective bargaining, school tax reform and energy conservation to create a positive campus that attracts both families and successful teachers to our district.

Action Items

1. Propose long-term fiscal plan based on historical data, trends and projected returns on investments that acknowledge and work within the framework of the Property Tax Cap and other recognized fiscal limitations.
2. Include leaders of bargaining units in budget discussions to build a strong consensus in steps being taken to address increased costs and the need to emphasize professional respect and understanding of fiscal restraint in contractual negotiations.
3. Support and actively campaign for changes in State Funding for School Districts that reduces the tax burden on local homeowners while maintaining actual funding for schools. These may include but will not be limited to the Position Statements held by New York School Boards Association, Ulster County School Board Association and alternative funding approaches
4. Incorporate energy efficiency into the Operation & Maintenance of the school district buildings to realize both short and long-term cost saving measures.
5. Actively identify and take steps to protect and utilize our existing assets to ensure that they support a positive campus that will attract families and students to OCSD to ensure future growth.
6. Coordinate as much of our school operations and programming with District municipalities, local businesses, and organizations to support our communities, and therefore, our schools.

V. Board Development

Attract, develop and retain Board of Education Trustees, with a focus on Student Achievement and Educational Excellence along with responsible management of District finances.

Action Items

1. Encourage attendance at district, county, region, state and national meetings, conferences and webinars, especially the New York State School Boards Association annual convention, and the annual Rural Schools Conference. Endeavor to ensure that each Trustee attends at least one such conference during their period as Trustee.
2. Update and refresh Trustee and residents' education on Board process and District governance through "short courses" or FAQs to be offered during workshop meetings (e.g. The Board's role in the educational process or District management and administration, Robert's Rules of Order, or the ins and outs of the District's budgeting process.)
3. Host annual summer Board of Education retreat with Superintendent and approved facilitator.
4. All new Trustees to be appointed a Mentor Trustee, to receive information packet and to attend an orientation meeting with Superintendent, Board President and Mentor Trustee.
5. The Board will explore and/or implement a means by which the Board can improve its practices and process.

12. Consent Agenda

12.01 Approve Consent Agenda (proposed 9:30 duration 5 min)

Motion: Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02-12.11

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Fletcher

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

Not Present: Trustee Hickey

12.02 Personnel Agenda

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS 2012-2013

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Burkhardt, Patrick	Elementary Rec — Phoenicia	\$3,298.00
Casey, Lisa	Class Advisor — Junior	\$2,617.00

Chartrand, Louis	Sixth Teaching Assignment (CADD)	\$7,500.00
Colevas, Paul	Class Advisor – Senior	\$2,617.00
Connolly, Brian	Yearbook Co-Advisor – MS (split w/C.Wiltsie)	\$ 801.00
Conroy, Elaine	School Newspaper Advisor	\$1,200.00
Douglas, Jean	DECA Advisor	\$4,178.00
	1 st Longevity	\$ 153.00
	2 nd Longevity	\$ 204.00
	3 rd Longevity	\$ 306.00
Garcia-McWhinnie, Elena	Spanish Club Advisor – HS	\$1,644.00
Loheide, Laura	Gifted/Talented Co-Advisor – MS (split w/A.Weisz)	\$1,108.00
Matteson, Lori	Seventh Grade Trip Coordinator	\$ 467.00
McInerney, Sharon	Elementary Resource – Phoenicia 1	\$1,977.00
Nelsen-Epstein, Christi	French Club Advisor – HS	\$1,644.00
Schnell, Barbara	Coordinator of Elementary Education	\$4,500.00
Stewart, Valerie	Sixth Teaching Assignment (AIS LOTE)	\$7,500.00
Weisz, Amy	Gifted/Talented Co-Advisor – MS (split w/L.Loheide)	\$1,108.00
Wiltsie, Candice	Yearbook Co-Advisor – MS (split w/B.Connolly)	\$ 801.00
Carroll, Molly	Field Hockey – Modified – Assistant Coach (split w/D.Cease)	\$ 926.50
Cease, Deborah	Field Hockey – Modified – Assistant Coach (split w/Molly Carroll)	\$ 926.50
Chartrand, Louis	Wrestling – Varsity – Head Coach	\$4,736.00
	1 st Longevity	\$ 153.00
	2 nd Longevity	\$ 204.00
	3 rd Longevity	\$ 306.00
Cytryn, Herbert	Skiing – Varsity – Head Coach (Girls)	\$2,927.00
	1 st Longevity	\$ 153.00
	2 nd Longevity	\$ 204.00
	3 rd Longevity	\$ 306.00
Gale, Trevor	Wrestling – Modified – Assistant Coach	\$1,923.00
Groeters, Michael	Basketball – JV – Head Coach (Girls)	\$3,619.00
Guest, Samuel	Basketball – Varsity – Head Coach (Boys)	\$4,736.00
Hoyt-Friedman, Jacob	Basketball – Modified – Head Coach (Boys)	\$2,406.00
Occhi, Andrew	Basketball – Varsity – Head Coach (Girls)	\$4,736.00
Perez, Brian	Skiing – Varsity – Head Coach (Boys)	\$2,927.00
Pezzello, Eric	Wrestling – JV – Assistant Coach	\$3,345.00

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS 2012-2013 - RESCISION

NAME	POSITION
Thompson, Carolyn	Gifted/Talented Advisor - HS - RESCIND

PROCTORS

NAME	POSITION	RATE OF PAY
Barber, Katryna	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Colevas, Paul	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
DeSantis, Ernest	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Gray, Tracy	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Johnson, Elizabeth	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Kelder, Tina	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Poulten, Geordarna	Proctor (RETRO to 09/24/12)	\$36.00/hour
Santos, Jesus	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Schiappa, Elizabeth	Proctor	\$36.00/hour
Zygmunt, Debra	Proctor	\$36.00/hour

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	RATE OF PAY
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Gray, Tracy	Certified Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$10.00/hour
Langan, Holly	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95.00/day

RESIGNATIONS: INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Wortman, Kevin	Football – JV – Assistant Coach	09/30/12	Personal

**APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT**

NAME	POSITION	PROBATIONARY PERIOD	SALARY/STEP	REMARKS
Reiten, Nina	Occupational Therapist	09/14/12 – 03/14/13*	9MA	New position

*Revised start date

PART TIME APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY	REASON
McGill, Francis*	School Monitor - WD	10/03/12	Step 1	Replace J. Heinitz

*Pending pre-employment processing

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON	CURRENT POSITION
#2381	09/10/12 – 09/28/12	Medical Leave – Paid Family Medical Leave	Certified Teaching Assistant

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON	CURRENT POSITION
#1629	09/13/12 – 10/05/12	Medical Leave – Paid Family Medical Leave	Elementary Custodian
#1629	10/06/12 – 10/19/12	Medical Leave – Unpaid Family Medical Leave	Elementary Custodian

12.03 Hurley Tax Certiorari Settlement

Motion: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District (“District”) approves the settlement of the tax certiorari proceedings filed by the City of New York (“City”) against The Assessor and the Board of Assessment Review of the Town of Hurley (“Town”), which contested the assessed valuations of that portion of the lands and improvements known as the Ashokan Reservoir and situated in the Town, for the assessment years 2007 – 2012, upon the terms and conditions memorialized in a Stipulation of Settlement and Order, which shall be on file with the District Clerk; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools and District’s attorneys be authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement and Order.

12.04 Approve the Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (proposed 7:50 duration 10 min)

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves the Deposit Placement Agreement through Catskill Hudson Bank

12.05 Approve Schedule U - The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations

Motion: The Board hereby approves the Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE)

Recommendations, Schedule U, #10/12, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee McKeon

12.06 Side Letter of Agreement

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves the Side Letter of Agreement between the Onteora Central School District and Lisa Barringer, dated 6/25/12

12.07 Accept Donations

Motion: The Superintendent recommends approval to increase the 2012-2013 Budget per the following donations:

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation totaling \$177.47 CASH, from Target, to be used to support character education, PBIS, and diversity events and materials.

A2110.431.01	Supplemental	\$177.47
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The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation totaling \$250.00 CASH, from Sally Roy and Peter Nelson to be used for TUFS-Teaming Up For Success Program. This program is a teacher to student mentor program providing academic and personal support to students from 9th-12th grade.

A2110.431.01	Supplemental	\$250.00
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12.08 Volunteer Applications

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves the volunteer applicants below.

Woodstock Elementary School - Frank McGill

Phoenicia Elementary School:

Valerie Augustine	Ann McGillicuddy
Rena Baker	Anna Millenson
Andrea Barouch-Hebb	Marybeth Mills
Laura Beckwith	Corrine Naughton
Cynnie Boyer	Michelle Odat
Erik Buddenhagen	Dawn Palmer
Tina DeLaura	Kelly Peck
Melissa DelValle	Selena Reynolds
Kimberly Doyle	Beth Rice
Melanie Feldman	Heather Roberts
Richard Feldman	Jenna Rodgers
Laura Fraser	Joshua Rubin
Tracey Gardner	Shawna Ryan
Michele GarnerBrown	Laura Siegel
Stephanie Gindele	Elizabeth Strauss
David Hebb	Rosemary Strenz
Wendy Helm	Cynthia Troeger
Francis Huber	Carolina Turba
Kathleen Jackson	Gina Vanacore Tisch
Margaret Keaveny	Heather VanDeBogart
Heather Lane	Wendy Wolfenson
Sara Loughlin	Asada Yuki

12.09 Warrant Schedule 4

Motion: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has reviewed and hereby accepts the Warrant Schedule 4

12.10 Recognize Reserve Balances

Motion: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the following reserve account balances created with the excess of 4% from the unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2012 prior to the setting of the tax levy as they appear in the District's Annual External Audit Report.

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT—NAME	2010-2011 BALANCE	-	2011-2012 BALANCE
A815	RESERVE - UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	\$502,500.00		\$505,012.50
A821	RESERVE - ENCUMBRANCES	\$462,525.46		\$206,039.33
A827	RESERVE - ERS	\$402,000.00		\$1,490,732.00
A864	RESERVE - TAX CERTIORARI	\$4,886,244.44		\$4,910,675.64
A867	RESERVE - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ACCRUED	\$1,402,109.00		\$1,352,567.91
A878	RESERVE - CAPITAL	\$1,000,000.00		\$2,786,036.00
A882	RESERVE - REPAIRS	\$2,937,569.87		\$2,802,257.67
A884	RESERVE FOR DEBT	\$0.00		\$149,891.00
A909	FUND BALANCE	\$2,003,833.33		\$1,987,476.88
A910	APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE	\$2,000,000.00	-	\$2,000,000.00

12.11 Approve Settlement Agreement and Release

Motion: WHEREAS, the parents of Student No. 71086 have requested an impartial due process hearing with regard to Student No. 71086 special education services; and WHEREAS, the parents and the District are desirous of settling all claims; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all claims for tuition, tutoring, services, evaluations, compensatory education, attorney or expert fees, or damages be resolved in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Stipulation of Settlement to be entered into between the Board and the parent(s), a copy of which will be placed on file with the District Clerk upon execution by the parties; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to execute all documents in furtherance of this resolution.

13. Discussion

13.01 NYSSBA Position Statements (proposed 9:35 duration 10 min)

10:05

Tabled until the next meeting

Motioned By: Trustee Fletcher

Second By: Trustee McKeon

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

Not Present: Trustee Hickey

14. Committee Reports

14.01 Policy Committee Report (proposed 9:45)

Superintendent Phyllis McGill reported:

- Reviewed 5 policies
 - Food Service Program – from NYSSBA
 - Late Bus Runs – no longer just applies to Middle School/High School

- Use of District Credit Card
- Health and Wellness
- Volunteers – add that the Board needs to approve
- 11/5/12 is next meeting

14.02 Audit Committee Report

10:10

Trustee Spencer reported:

- Went over External Auditor's report in detail
- Audit Committee supports this report
- Last year of contract for External Auditor, need to go to RFP
 - Process is moving along
- Internal Auditor report: did not get final report without draft stamp
 - Still open action item for committee

14.03 Health and Wellness Committee Report

Trustee Fletcher reported:

- Talked primarily about food programs
 - good conversation
 - positive ideas- mostly with foods at the Middle School/High School
 - Next meeting 10/23/12
 - Have some new members

15. Old Business

15.01 The Board will discuss Old Business (proposed 9:55)

10:15

No old business was discussed

16. New Business

16.01 The Board will discuss New Business (proposed 9:55)

Trustee Fletcher:

- Phoenicia PTA meeting:
 - Committees – PTA did not know that parent members can get involved
 - Contact the PTA/PTSO to let them know the committees are open to parental/community involvement
 - PTA would like to open up after school activities to 3rd grade parents at Bennett that are on their side of the district and send out to Woodstock PTA as well
- Open a Board conversation about how to upgrade the Board computers
- Some items needs to be printed for the Board
- Concerned about the 5 week report being on-line
 - Superintendent Phyllis McGill clarified that the report cards will remain on paper

Trustee McKeon:

- Is there capability of digital signature?
- Ways that we can celebrate student achievement and district achievement

17. Request For Information

- 17.01 The Board will request information (proposed 10:00)
10:25
No information was requested

18. Public Comment

- 18.01 The public will comment on any agenda or non-agenda item Please limit comments to 3 minutes (proposed 10:05 duration 10 min)
- No public comment was made

19. Adjournment

- 19.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting is Tuesday, October 16 at MS/HS (Student Meeting) and at Phoenicia (Regular Meeting) (proposed 10:15)
Motion: The meeting is adjourned at 10:30
Moted By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee McKeon
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon
Not Present: Trustee Hickey

Minutes Recorded By:
Fern Amster, District Clerk



Board of Education: Ann McGillicuddy, Tony Fletcher, Laurie Osmond, Dan Spencer, Tom Hickey, Rob Kurnit, Michael McKeon