ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 12, 2010

Phoenicia Elementary School

1. Opening Items

Information: 1.01 Call to Order 6:00

Trustee Osmond called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30

Information: 1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement Information: 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance

Information: 1.04 Roll Call

Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Kurnit

2. Executive Session

Action: 2.01 The Board will enter executive session at approximately 5:30 pm to discuss a specific personnel matter.

Motion: The Board will enter executive session at approximately 5:30 pm to discuss a specific personnel matter.

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Fletcher.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Now Present

Trustee Spencer arrived at approximately 6:00pm

Action: 2.02 The Board will re-enter the public session at approximately 6:00 pm

Motion: The Board will re-enter the public session at approximately 6:00 pm

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee McGillicuddy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Spencer,

Trustee Kurnit

3. Acceptance of Minutes

Action, Minutes: 3.01 The Board of Education hereby accepts minutes of 9/28/10 (proposed 6:05 duration 5 min)

Motion: The Board of Education hereby accepts minutes of The Board of Education hereby accepts minutes of 9/28/10

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Spencer,

Trustee Kurnit

Report by the External Auditor Michael Rossi from West & Company 6:40 pm

Michael Rossi of West & Company explained:

- 3 opinions in financial statement
 - Yellowbook Audit numbers that school district presents through their funds
 - A133 Single Audit because we receive or spend more than \$500,000 in Federal Awards.
 - This year about #2.3 million in Federal Awards. Will go down by about \$1 million because ARRA Stabilization will be gone
 - Extraclassroom Activity Fund expenditures that are recognized when the funds are spent
- Right now net assets in district are \$19 million, but in next few years will be negative because of retirement/health insurance that Onteora will owe
- Contractually obligated to pay health insurance on retirees. On "Pay as You Go now, but does not recognize the outstanding liability there. Number is set by an Actuarial Firm
- No significant findings at this time. Still dealing with the Extraclassoom Activity Funds
- Still concerned about School Lunch Fund.
 - \$250,000 deficit from past years.
 - Trustee Spencer to bring information from Audit Committee discussion on this.
- Mr. Rossi commended the Board on the Business Office staff, in particular Assistant Superintendent McLaren and Treasurer Monica Kim

4. Community Forum

Information: 4.01 Recap of last meeting's Community Forum (proposed 6:10 duration 5 min)

Trustee Osmond gave a recap of last meeting's Community Forum

The goal is to have 3 Community Forums over 6 Board of Education meetings and recap at meeting in between

Creating a Task Force, for which the Board will set charges and a time line.

Information: 4.02 The Board will discuss the charge for the Task Force and a call for members (proposed 6:15 duration 30 minutes)

6:45

The Board had a discussion about the charges for the Task Force

- Be financially modest and educationally sound
- · Have representatives from each area of the district
 - Need one from West Hurley

Task Force Charge:

The Task Force's purpose will be to advise the Board of Education of an educationally desirable, sound direction for the structure of the Middle School, and shall also consider whether the existence of a Middle School is the ideal model, or whether some other configuration would be more educationally and fiscally sound.

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In order to accomplish this, the Task Force will take into consideration the past recommendations of the Future of the District Committee, Middle School Steering Committee, KSQ Architects as well as broader current data and educational findings. The Task Force shall also meet with the Interim Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent of Business, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Administrative Cabinet, Board Facilities Committee, Presidents of OTA and ONTEA, PTA presidents and student representatives to gather input and feedback.

The Task Force shall present its recommendations to the Board of Education by the end of January 2011. These recommendations will take into account the unique nature of the District, school configuration, student population, available facilities and budgetary impact. The Task Force will meet at least once a month.

5. Welcome Address

Information: 5.01 Principal Linda Sella will give the welcome address (proposed 6:45 duration 10 min)

7:15

Phoenicia Elementary School Principal Linda Sella reported:

- The students and staff have been gardening. The school participates in the Farm to Table week where local chefs cook in the garden with vegetables harvested from their garden.
 - Teach the children that we truly live off the land
- 5 week reports went out, had a successful Open House and a Pot Luck supper
- Summer Reading Challenge read for 20 minutes and exercise for 15 minutes a day. Assemblyman Cahill comes in June and will be back 2pm Wednesday 10/13
- Eat Smart and Live Well without spending a lot of time or money
 - Free program from Cornell Co-Op extension
 - Will be open district wide
 - 6 week workshop for parents

6. Board District News

Information: 6.01 The Board will announce district news (proposed 6:55 duration 5 min) 7:20

Trustee Spencer attended the Parent Alliance Meeting at the High School

- very well attended and very educational
- lively discussion
- taking on topics that the Board can't take on

Trustee Fletcher went to Phoenicia Garden Event

- wonderful to see children enjoy harvesting and eating the vegetables cooked in the garden
 - Homecoming:
 - raffle tickets from Booster club had great prizes the community businesses had given generous certificates

Trustee Osmond reported that the Board had met with BOCES Superintendent Martin Ruglis to go over the applicants for the Superintendent position

Now Present

Trustee McKeon arrived at approximately 7:25pm

7. Superintendent District News

Information: 7.01 the Superintendent will report on District News(proposed 7:00 duration 10 min)

7:25

Interim Superintendent Charlotte Gregory reported:

- Dealing with situations elementary and secondary bullying
 - Cabinet will discuss more intense educational programs that need to occur
- Recognized Director of Transportation, Dave Moraca who has been put on State Education Department Transportation advisory committee.
- There will be a workshop on Cyberbullying on November 3rd in the High School
 - o 5th and 6th graders will be bused in
 - o MS and HS students will see the presentation next
 - 7:00 pm for parents
- Next in Speaker Series will be a presentation by the County Officer dealing with sex offenders
- January roll forward the changes that Race to the Top means to the school district and future educational program.

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reviewed the ELA and Math test scores – the current scores and how the state has raised the bar and changed the metric system

- State found that students are performing better because tests are predictable.
- Results were linked as to how students will do in college
- In the future tests will be longer and unpredictable
- Will train teachers to engage students to be able to better perform
- Implementing formative assessments 3 or 4 times during year
 - Teachers can assess students and adjust their teaching
- What will the district do to help meet these expectations?
 - Interim Superintendent Charlotte Gregory answered:
 - Have a 3-5 year plan and have a percentage of improvement each year
 - Some commitments from staff
 - Asked Union President to identify 6 distinguished educators -one from each building - on a committee
 - Each school district will pool RTTT funds with regional BOCES for professional development
 - Systemic change in the way we teach

8. Student Representative Report

Information: 8.01 Student Representative Angie Cross will report (proposed 7:10 duration 10 min)

Student Representative Angie Cross asked:

- Can they have another mirror in girl's locker room
 - Speak to HS principal
- What is being done in the Elementary School level to promote environmental awareness?

Request for Information, response back at next meeting

Acknowledge last meeting's Public Comment

Trustee Osmond acknowledged last meeting's public that spoke during the Community Forum

9. Student Comment

Information: 9.01 Students may comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 7:20 duration 10 min or more)

No student comment was made

10. Public Comment

Information: 10.01 The public may comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 7:30 duration 10 min or more)

Maxanne Resnick - Next Friday 10/22/10 Levon Helm Concert. Lea Kwiecinski - Bullying, drug abuse and sex education— what programs will address these issues?

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien announced Project Northland, a drug and alcohol awareness program for 6-8 grades. Teachers just had an in-service program to implement this program with the students.

Action, Information: 7.02 The Superintendent will give an update on Race to the Top

8:10

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves that the Superintendent submit an "intent to file" a Final Scope of Work and become a Local Educational Agency participant in the New York's Race To The Top plan.

Discussion ensued regarding RTTT participation, which is mandatory by the state.

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Interim Superintendent Charlotte Gregory reminded the Board that the Under- Sheriff will be at the next meeting to discuss a SRO.

11. 5 Min Break

Information: 11.01 5 Minute Break (proposed 8:20)

The Board took at break at approximately 8:40pm

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12. Discussion and Possible Action

Action, Report: 12.01 Report by the External Auditor Mike Rossi from West & Company (proposed 7:40 duration 10 min)

8:45

Resolution: Resolved to accept the External Auditor's report for 2009-2010 school year.

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Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Information: 12.02 First reading of Policy 5661 District Wellness Policy (proposed 7:50 duration 5 min)

8:45

Discussion about what to include in policy

- Administrative Regulation as to what foods to avoid
- Health and Wellness committee to discuss other sweetners

Action, Discussion: 12.03 Second reading and adoption of Policy 7380 Bullying (proposed 7:55 duration 5 min)

9:00

Resolution: The Board of Education hereby approves the adoption of Policy 7380 Bullying, as presented.

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Action, Discussion: 12.04 Second Reading and adoption of Policy 4330 Administrative Staff (proposed 8:00 duration 5 min)

Resolution: The Board of Education hereby approves the adoption of Policy 4330 Administrative Staff as presented.

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee McGillicuddy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Action, Discussion: 12.05 Professional Development Plan (proposed 8:05 duration 10 min)

9:05

Updated plan worked on by administrators and unions with Assistant Superintendent

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O'Brien.

- Is a work in progress, as Race to the Top requirements need to be considered
- Graduation rate requirement by the State has jumped to 80%, so plan is geared toward that

Resolution: The Board of Education hereby approves the Professional Development Plan dated September 2010.

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Action: 12.06 Approve hotel rooms for NYSSBA convention (proposed 8:15 duration 5 min) 9:20

Motion: Resolved to approve an amount not to exceed \$1000 for hotel rooms for the NYSSBA convention

Motion by Trustee Kurnit, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

13. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 13.01 Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02 - 12.08 (proposed 8:25 duration 5 min)

Motion: The Board approves items 12.02 through 12.08

Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee McGillicuddy.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Action (Consent): 13.02 Personnel Agenda

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

POSITION	AMOUNT
Elem Rec Co-Advisor – Phoenicia	\$1,616.50
Class Co-Advisor – Seventh	\$404.50
Wrestling – Varsity – Head Coach	\$4,643
\$153	
\$204	
\$306	
Skiing – Varsity – Head Coach (Girls)	\$2,870
Wrestling – Modified – Assistant	\$1,885
Senior Class Play Director	\$2,566
	Elem Rec Co-Advisor – Phoenicia Class Co-Advisor – Seventh Wrestling – Varsity – Head Coach \$153 \$204 \$306 Skiing – Varsity – Head Coach (Girls) Wrestling – Modified – Assistant

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Haggerty, Michael	Skiing – Varsity – Head Coach (Boys)	\$2,870
Hoyt-Friedman, Jacob	Basketball – JV (Boys)	\$3,548
Kaspyrzk, Christopher	Elem Rec Co-Advisor – Phoenicia	\$1,616.50
Kaspyrzk, Christopher	Elem Rec – Bennett	\$3,233
Laks, David	Elementary Resource Co-Advisor – Phoenicia 2	\$969
Loheide, Laura	Class Co-Advisor – Seventh	\$404.50
Loheide, Laura	Gifted/Talented Advisor – MS	\$2,173
Louis, Jean-Daniel	National Honor Society Advisor 1 & 2	\$1,280
Morris, Ashton	Science Olympiad Asst. Coach – MS	\$1,258
Patschke, Stephen	Elementary Resource Co-Advisor – Phoenicia 2	\$969
Perrotta, Jeremy	Track – Winter – Head Coach	\$2,870
Perry, Frederick	Track – Winter – Assistant	\$2,563
Pezzello, Eric	Wrestling – JV – Assistant	\$3,279
Thomas, Doris	Basketball – Modified – Head Coach (Girls)	\$2,359
Wolfrom, Jane	Gifted/Talented Advisor – Phoenicia	\$2,173

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Gold, Wendy	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Griffin, Christine	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Kight, Heather	Substitute Registered School Nurse	\$95/day
Millman, Jacob	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Mojica, Jennifer	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Newton, Michelle	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Rolnick, Leslie	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Schiappa, Elizabeth	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Warren, Michelle	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Woerner, Leah	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day

APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME POSITION AMOUNT
Cole, Dale Substitute Custodial Worker \$9/hr

Action (Consent): 13.03 Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations

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, #10/10, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Osmond

Action (Consent): 13.04 Donation by Catskill Watershed

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation totaling \$2,000, CASH, from the Catskill Watershed Corporation to be used by the Phoenicia Elementary School.

Interim Superintendent Charlotte Gregory will bring back to Cabinet to be cohesive on grant applications

Action (Consent): 13.05 Donation of TV to Woodstock

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation by Joseph Toochim of a 27 Inch Panasonic Television valued at \$50.00, for instructional use at the Woodstock Elementary School.

Action (Consent): 13.06 Aug 10 Financial Report

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has reviewed and hereby approves the FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT for August, 2010.

Action (Consent): 13.07 403(b) Provider Name Change

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District acknowledge the 403(b) provider name change from Mutual Inc. to Mutual Inc/Plan Member Services.

Action (Consent): 13.08 Surplus Equipment

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District declare the Air Compressor Model #SC23 (Inventory Tag # 11058), the 65 Passenger School Bus VIN# 1HVBBABN1*YH284943, the Genie Industries Model # DPL-30SP, and the Duel Personnel Lift as surplus and authorizes the sale of these items at the Ulster County BOCES Auction to be held on October 23, 2010.

14. Discussion

Discussion: 14.01 Ongoing discussion of Board Goals (proposed 8:30 duration 15 min)

Try to finish the rest of the agenda and come back to Board Goals

15. Committee Reports -5 min each

Information: 15.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report. Next meeting is at 4:30 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 12/6/10 (proposed 8:45)

Trustee Spencer reported that the bulk of the last meeting was about the external audit. Next meeting is 12/6/10

Information: 15.02 Facilities Committee - Trustee Kurnit to report. Next meeting is at 3:30 in the Central Administration Conference room on 11/8/10

Trustee Kurnit reported:

- that they discussed the current status of energy RFP
 - Questions sent to 2 vendors, waiting for replies
- Director of Facilities Jared Mance reported a problem with the plastic lockers in the MS/HS Gym
- Possibility of a Solar Panel Project

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- Not sure if it will be a Senior class, Green Committee project or done by the district.
- Bennett Wind Turbine Project is still going along
- 5 year building condition survey is being completed and will be ready on time (January 15th)
 - Mosaic Associates will then work on a 5 year Facilities Plan connected to Building Condition Survey
 - Could affect Energy RFP and Task Force Plans
- Problem with new keys Jared will rekey some of the HS

Information: 15.03 Green Committee - Trustee Osmond to report. Next meeting is at 2:40 in the HS Conference room on 11/3/10

Trustee Osmond reported:

- There was a large student turnout
- Reporter Lisa Childers attended
- Ask Administration to get recycling bins at athletic event
- Discussion on going to rallies in Washington DC and be a recycling presence

Information: 15.04 Arts Task Force - Trustee Fletcher to report. 9:40

Trustee Fletcher reported:

- They are dissolving
- Great success in the charges given by the Board
 - o Real interaction between teachers and volunteers
 - Can call on volunteers at any time the district may need, Trustee Fletcher has the contacts
- Drama is still lacking in district

Information: 15.05 Policy Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is in the Central Administration Conference room at 9:30 on 11/1/10

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that they met last Monday and discussed policies that came to the Board tonight.

Information: 15.06 District Committee: Health and Wellness Committee - Assistant Superintendent O'Brien to report. Next meeting is 2:45 pm in the Health Room of the High School on 10/28/10

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reported:

- Focused on Farm to You program work in Middle School/High School and Elementary School in gardening projects
- Athletic Director Nick Millas:
 - discussed a tool he has to review policy
 - School Health Index by CVC which can self evaluate the district according to nutrition, physical education and health education
- Next meeting10/28 at 2:45 next meeting

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16. Old Business

Discussion: 16.01 The Board will discuss Old Business (proposed 9:15 duration 10 min)

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Trustee Spencer as where we are in drugs and alcohol in the district – ongoing programs, direction the district is moving, and protocols with how incidents are handled

Interim Superintendent Charlotte Gregory said that Cabinet is constantly confronting it.

Ulster County is conducting the Pride Survey again this year

17. New Business

Discussion: 17.01 Belleayre Agreement again this year (proposed 9:25 duration 10 min) 9:50

Consensus to sign the contract for the Belleayre Ski Program again.

Discussion: 17.02 The Board will discuss the committee advisory groups for the Superintendent Search (proposed 9:35 duration 10 min)

The Board decided on the following Superintendent Search Committee:

- 2 from Central Administration
- 2 from Onteora Administration Association
- 2 from Onteora Teachers Association
- 2 from ONTEA
- 2 from Confidential Managerial
- 2 Students
- 4 from the Community

18. Request For Information

Discussion: 18.01 The Board will request information (proposed 9:45 duration 10 min)

Student Representative Angie Cross asked what is being done at the elementary level for environmental awareness

19. Public Comment

Information: 19.01 The public will comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 9:55 duration 10 min)

No public Comment was made

20. Adjournment

Action: 20.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting 10/26/10 at Woodstock Elementary (proposed 10:05)

Motion: The meeting is adjourned at 10:10 pm

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Motion by Trustee Osmond, second by Trustee Spencer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

2010– 2011 Board of Education Meeting Schedule *NOTE: snow dates

	NOTE. SHOW date		
July 6, 2010	Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
August 3, 2010	Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
August 24, 2010	Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
September 14, 2010	Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
September 28, 2010	Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
October 12, 2010	Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
October 26, 2010	Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
November 9, 2010*	Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
November 30, 2010	Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
December 14, 2011	Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
January 11, 2011	Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
January 25, 2011	Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
February 8, 2011	Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
February 22, 2011	Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
March 8, 2011	Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
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March 22, 2011	Budget Recommendation Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
April 5, 2011	2010-2011 Budget Adoption	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
April 27, 2011 Wed	Regular Meeting AND	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
	a countywide vote date for BOCES Board S	Seats and BOCES Administrative Bu	dget
May 3, 2011	Regular Meeting and Budget Hearing	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
May 17, 2011	Budget Vote	All four (4) Elementary	2:00 to
	0 1176	Schools	9:00 p.m.
May 17, 2011	Special Meeting (Declaration of Votes Cast)	Middle-High School	9:30 p.m.
June 7, 2011	Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
June 21, 2011	Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
July 5, 2011	Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.

^{*} Meetings are held on Tuesdays @ 6:00 p.m. unless the meeting date is a **snow date**, the meeting will be held the **Thursday** of that week, except **November 9**th, snow date **Wednesday**