

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Thursday, January 15, 2009

TIME: 7:30PM – Public Session
Executive Session
8:00PM - Public Session

PLACE: Administration Building
200 North Broadway
Sleepy Hollow, NY

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED: That the Board goes into executive session to discuss recommendations from the Committee on Special Education, Committee on Preschool Special Education and particular personnel matters and matters related to negotiations.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____ TIME _____

3. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

RESOLVED: That the Board returns to public session.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____ TIME _____

4. SILENT MEDITATION
5. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
6. CALL OF THE ROLL
7. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND REQUESTS FROM THE PUBLIC
8. CITIZENS' COMMENTS (three minutes)
9. MINUTES

- a. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, having received copies of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 11, 2008 approves as amended.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

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10. EDUCATIONAL/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. Budget Update
2. Budget Calendar Review
3. Superintendent's Report
4. Update on Facilities

11. BOARD MATTERS

12. CITIZENS' COMMENTS (three minutes)

13. BOARD ACTION

CONSENT AGENDA – The use of a Consent Agenda permits the Board of Education to make more effective use of its time by adopting a single motion to cover those relatively routine matters which are included. Any member of the Board who wishes to discuss individually a particular piece of business on the consent agenda may so indicate and that item will be transferred to the Regular Agenda for consideration and a separate vote, thus preserving the right of all Board Members to be heard on any issue.

A. Staff Personnel

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Staff Personnel Motions, as listed:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

In accordance with Policy #9020, be it

1. **RESOLVED:** That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following retirement resignations:
 - a. Zoila Franco-Flood, teaching assistant – John Paulding School, effective June 30, 2009, after 11 years of service.
 - b. Andra Townsend, bus driver, effective June 30, 2009, after 16 years of service.
 - c. Emilia Kelly, teaching assistant – Tappan Hill School, effective June 30, 2009, after 40 years of service.

2. **RESOLVED:** That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional/non-instructional substitute staff for the 2008/09 school year:

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| a. James Hart | Teacher | \$85.00 per diem |
| b. Kristen Schoene | Teacher | \$85.00 per diem |
| c. Kelly Lima | Teacher | \$85.00 per diem |
| d. Gertie Tippitt | Teacher | \$95.00 per diem |
| e. Erin Sullivan | Long Term Sub Teacher | \$290.00 per diem |
| f. Christen Voytovich | Long Term Sub Teacher | \$290.00 per diem |
| g. Erin Sullivan | Long Term Sub. Counselor | \$290.00 per diem |
| h. Marissa Mucciolo | Permanent Bldg. Sub Teacher | \$100.00 per diem |
| i. Kristen Schoene | Teaching Assistant | \$13.00 per hour |
| j. Lisa LeFever-Booker | Clerical | \$14.23 per hour |
| k. Lisa LeFever-Booker | Teaching Assistant | \$13.00 per hour |

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- 3. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional/non-instructional staff for the 2008/09 school year:
 - a. Christopher Davis, Maintenance Mechanic (Air Conditioning and Heating), 8 hours per day, probationary, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, at a salary of \$46,688 (prorated amount December 29, 2008 through June 30, 2009 will be \$23,883), based on Step 1 of the CSEA salary schedule, effective December 29, 2008. (New position)

- 4. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following to a stipend position, effective January 5, 2009 through June 30, 2009:

- a. Grade 8 Team Leader Heidi Larsen \$2,184.00 (prorated)

B. Student Personnel

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Student Personnel Motion, as listed:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

- 1. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accepts the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education (CSE) at its November 20, 21, 25, December 3, 4, 5, 10, 17, 20, 2008 meetings and the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) at its November 18; December 10, 2008 meetings, as attached. (Appendix #).

C. Finance & Facilities

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Finance & Facilities Motion, as listed:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

- 1. **WHEREAS**, lawsuits have been commenced to challenge the assessments on the property owned by Phelps Memorial Hospital Center/Phelps Professional Building, Co., LP, having a street address of 777 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow, and designated and described as Section 110.11, Block 1, Lot 3 on the Tax Maps and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Mount Pleasant For assessment years 1998 through 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns (the "School District"), through its Attorney, John F. Burkhardt, Esq. appeared in the pending litigation to protect the interests of the School District; and

WHEREAS, several discussions were held with the attorney for the petitioner, the Assessor for the Town of Mount Pleasant Assessor and counsel for the School District and various settlement proposals were discussed at length prior to arriving at a tentative settlement; and

WHEREAS, the School District's counsel, the Town of Mount Pleasant Assessor and the Town Attorney all recommend approving the tentative settlement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the best interests of the School District to settle this lawsuit with the following reductions in assessed values:

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| Ass't Year | Original AV | Corrected AV | Reduction |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1998 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 1999 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2000 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2001 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2002 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2003 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2004 | \$129,300.00 | \$129,300.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2005 | \$129,300.00 | \$110,991.00 | \$18,309.00 |
| 2006 | \$129,300.00 | \$96,208.00 | \$33,092.00 |
| 2007 | \$129,300 | \$90,720.00 | \$38,580.00 |
| 2008 | \$129,300.00 | \$90,187.00 | \$39,113.00 |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that John F. Burkhardt, Esq. is authorized to execute a Stipulation, Consent Judgment and any other relevant settlement documents consistent with this Resolution on behalf of the respondent-intervenor, the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns.

2. **WHEREAS**, lawsuits have been commenced to challenge the assessments on the property owned by David J. and Stephanie R. Leggio, having a street address of 76-80 South Broadway, and designated and described as Section 1, Sheet 11, Block 39, Lot 15 on the Tax Maps and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Greenburgh for assessment years 1999 through 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns (the "School District"), through its Attorney, John F. Burkhardt, Esq. appeared in the pending litigation to protect the interests of the School District; and

WHEREAS, several discussions were held with the attorney for the petitioner, the Deputy Town Attorney for the Town of Greenburgh and counsel for the School District and various settlement proposals were discussed at length prior to arriving at a tentative settlement; and

WHEREAS, the School District's counsel and Deputy Town Attorney recommend approving the tentative settlement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the best interests of the School District to settle this lawsuit with the following reductions in assessed values:

| Ass't Year | Original AV | Corrected AV | Reduction |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1999 | \$31,100.00 | \$31,100.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2000 | \$31,100.00 | \$31,100.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2001 | \$31,100.00 | \$31,100.00 | \$0.00 |
| 2002 | \$31,100.00 | \$26,440.00 | \$4,660.00 |
| 2003 | \$31,100.00 | \$25,920.00 | \$5,180.00 |
| 2004 | \$31,100.00 | \$23,660.00 | \$7,440.00 |
| 2005 | \$31,100.00 | \$23,090.00 | \$8,010.00 |
| 2006 | \$31,100.00 | \$21,810.00 | \$9,290.00 |
| 2007 | \$31,100.00 | \$21,170.00 | \$9,930.00 |
| 2008 | \$31,100.00 | \$21,170.00 | \$9,930.00 |

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that John F. Burkhardt, Esq. is authorized to execute a Stipulation, Consent Judgment and any other relevant settlement documents consistent with this Resolution on behalf of the respondent-intervenor, the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns.

3. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education adjusts the 2008-2009 General Fund Budget from \$60,178,218.80 to \$60,188,657.12, for e-rate funds.
4. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Budget Calendar for the 2009-10 school year, as per the attachment to these minutes (Appendix #).

D.. General

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following General Motions, as listed:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

1. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts, with appreciation, the following gifts:
 - a. Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, 280 cases of three-hole punched Xerox paper, at a retail value of \$7,378.00.
 - b. The Foundation of the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns, a check in the amount of \$2,544 to be used for the new gymnasium banner at Sleepy Hollow High School.
 - c. Beth Ford, of a check in the amount of \$500.00, to be used to support literacy at John Paulding School.
2. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with JCC on the Hudson, 371 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY, to provide internship and enrichment, as part of the 21st Century Community Learning Center, at a fee of \$15,500, effective January 14, 2009 through June 3, 2009. (Grant funded)
3. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., 300 Hamilton Avenue, White Plains, NY, to provide health services, at a rate of \$65.00 per hour, 15 hours per week, effective January 12, 2009 through June 30, 2009.

14. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Treasurer's Report: December 2008
- b. Warrant Reports
- c. Use of Facilities

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Agenda/Conferences

A. Agenda

Board of Education Meeting – Executive Session: 7:30PM;
1/29 Foreign Language Report Public Session: 8:00PM

B. Noteworthy Conferences/Meetings

- 1/19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Schools Closed
- 1/20 EPTA Meeting 7PM – John Paulding
- 1/21-22 Grades 6-8 ELA Assessment
- 1/22 SHHS Incoming Gr. 9 Orientation 7PM
- 1/23 WLM Winter Wonderland Celebration – 6PM Gr. 2; 7:45PM Gr. 3
- 1/27 WLM Principal’s Chat 2PM
- 1/27-30 SHMS/HS Mid Year Exams

18. CITIZENS’ COMMENTS (three minutes)

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLVED: That the Board goes into executive session to discuss particular personnel matters.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____ TIME _____

20. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

RESOLVED: That the Board returns to public session.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____ TIME _____

21. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLVED: That the meeting of the Board be adjourned.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____ TIME _____

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USE OF FACILITIES

- 1/3-25 Tarrytown Nursery School
Sign to post registration dates
Washington Irving School Fence
- 1/12-26 Family YMCA at Tarrytown
Sign to announce Open Registration for all programs
Morse and Washington Irving School Fence
- 1/7-1/28 Margot Irish Volleyball Scholarship
Sign to promote participation in volleyball league
Washington Irving School Fence
- 1/14,21,28 Sleepy Hollow Recreation Department
2/3,10,25 Soccer for elementary students
John Paulding School All Purpose Room (3:15PM-5:15PM)
- 1/16,23,30 Sleepy Hollow Recreation Department
2/6,27 Basketball for 1st & 2nd graders
3/6,13 W.L. Morse School gymnasium (3:15PM-5:15PM)
- 1/1-3/29 Korean Church of Westchester
Korean Language Class, Sunday Fellowship
John Paulding School (Saturday 9AM-1PM; Sunday 9:30AM-3PM)
- 2/26-5/14 Margot Irish Volleyball Scholarship
Women's Volleyball
Sleepy Hollow High School gymnasium (7:30PM-9:30PM)
- 1/14-28 Transfiguration School
Sign to advertise School Open House
Washington Irving School Fence