

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Thursday, March 5, 2009

TIME: 7:45PM – 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 February 12, 2009 approves same.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

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10. EDUCATIONAL/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS

- 1. Budget Recommendations
- 2. Superintendent’s Report
- 3. 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. Policy #6700 Purchasing – Second reading and discussion, amended version
#6700R Purchasing Regulations – Second Reading and discussion

B. 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 _____

- 1. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes five paid sick days for family illness purposes to James Giordano, Social Studies Teacher – Sleepy Hollow High School, for the remainder of the 2008/09 school year.

C. 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 January 21, 24; February 7, 10, 2009 meetings and the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) at its February 5, 10, 2009 meetings, as attached. (Appendix #).

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D. Finance & Facilities

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

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

1. **WHEREAS**, lawsuits have been commenced to challenge the assessments on the property owned by Edward Keegan, having a street address of 285 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow, and designated and described as Section 115.11, Block 4, Lot 34 on the Tax Map and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Mount Pleasant for assessment years 1999 and 2001 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, various settlement proposals were discussed at length prior to arriving at a tentative Settlement; and

WHEREAS, the School District’s counsel, and 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:

Ass’t Year	Original AV	Corrected AV	Reduction	Refund
1999	\$15,650.00	\$13,050.00	\$2,600.00	\$1,746.63
2000	\$15,650.00	\$15,650.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2001	\$15,650.00	\$12,065.00	\$3,585.00	\$2,791.48
2002	\$15,650.00	\$11,180.00	\$4,470.00	\$3,901.42
2003	\$15,650.00	\$10,750.00	\$4,900.00	\$4,833.56
2004	\$15,650.00	\$10,260.00	5,390.00	\$5,702.63
2005	\$15,650.00	\$9,625.00	\$6,025.00	\$6,949.36
2006	\$15,650.00	\$9,660.00	\$5,990.00	\$7,493.61
2007	\$15,650.00	\$10,010.00	\$5,640.00	\$7,293.15
2008	\$15,650.00	\$10,500.00	\$5,150.00	

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**, a petition has been filed to challenge the assessments on the property owned by EF Schools, Inc., located at Marymount Avenue, Tarrytown, and designated and described as Section 1, Sheet 12, Lots P73, P75, P77, P79, P83 and P85, all assessed under Parcel P73 on the Tax Maps and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Greenburgh for the 2008 assessment year; and

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

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WHEREAS, the Greenburgh Assessor, Deputy Town Attorney and School District’s counsel 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	Refund
2008	\$1,000,000.00	\$784,000.00	\$216,000.00	N/A

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.

E. 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. Wayne S. Stanton, of a 21-inch Sony VGA computer monitor, to be used by the Buildings and Grounds Department.
 - b. Mark A. Romney, of a check in the amount of \$1,000, to be used for the Even Start Program.

2. RESOLVED: That, the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Marcie L. Klebanoff, 178 Garth Road, Suite 5L, Scarsdale, NY 10583, to provide Assistive Technology training, at the rate of \$100.00 per hour, not to exceed \$1,400.00, for the 2008/09 school year.

14. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Treasurer’s Report: January 2009
- 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;
3/19 Character Education Program Report	Public Session: 8:00PM

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BUDGET WORK SESSIONS

Saturday, March 7th @8:30AM in the Board Room

Saturday, March 14th @8:30AM in the Board Room

Saturday, March 28th @8:30AM in the Board room

The work sessions are open to the public

5/19/09 - SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE AND BOARD ELECTION - 7:00AM – 9:00PM

Washington Irving School for Tarrytown residents

Morse School for Sleepy Hollow residents

Residents may register to vote in the office of the District Clerk, 200 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow, from 9:00AM to 3:00PM on any day that school is in session through May 14, 2009.

Evening registration will take place on Tuesday, May 12th from 4:00-8:00PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 200 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow.

For information on absentee ballots, please call the District Clerk at 631-9404

B. Noteworthy Conferences/Meetings

- 3/9 JV/Varsity Spring Sports Begin
SHMS/HS Interim Reports Mailed
Incoming 7th Gr. Parent Orientation - 6:30PM
- 3/10 SEPTA Meeting 7PM @ JP
- 3/10-11 Gr. 6-8 Math Assessments
- 3/10-13 TH Book Fair 8AM-11AM
- 3/11 End of 2nd Marking Period Gr. 1-6
SHHS Parent/Teacher Conf. 3PM-4PM & 6:30PM-8:30PM
- 3/12 WI Colonial Day
- 3/13 TH Book Fair Celebration 6:00PM
EPTA Exec. Board Mtg. 9:30AM – Admin. Bldg.
- 3/14 SAT Exams
- 3/16 Math/Science Honor Society Induction 7:30PM – SHHS Auditorium
- 3/17 SHMS Principal’s Chat 8AM
Incoming TH Kindergarten Info. Evening 7PM
EPTA Meeting 7PM @ JP
- 3/18 WI – YMCA Performance 7:30PM
- 3/19 SHMS Career Day

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.

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21. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLVED: That the meeting of the Board be adjourned.

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USE OF FACILITIES

4/4,18; 5/9; 9/26;10/10; 11/7	Friends of Music Concerts, Inc. Chamber Music Concerts SHHS Auditorium (5PM-11PM)
2/2-3/31	Tarrytown AYSO Indoor Soccer Practice Tappan Hill School Gymnasium (6PM-8PM)
4/25	Even Start Hispanic Health Day John Paulding School (11AM-5PM)
3/10-31	Tarrytown Volunteer Ambulance Corporation Sign to promote membership Washington Irving School Fence
4/27-5/19	Tarrytown Volunteer Ambulance Corp. Sign to announce Fund Drive Washington Irving School Fence
7/13-17	Sleepy Hollow Recreation David Lee Basketball Camp Sleepy Hollow High School Gymnasium (9:00AM-3:30PM)
2/25-3/11	Transfiguration School Sign to announce Open House Washington Irving School Fence
3/14, 21, 28	Sleepy Hollow Recreation Department Pitching Clinics Washington Irving School Gymnasium (2:00PM-4:00PM)
3/19	Tarrytown Recreation Department Adult Basketball League Game Washington Irving School Gymnasium (6:00PM-8:30PM)
6/29-7/3	Summer Arts Camp Theater Camp Washington Irving School Auditorium (9AM-2:30PM)