

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, April 24, 2007

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.

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 (four minutes)

9. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, having received copies of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 12, 2007 approves same:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

10. BOARD MATTERS

11. EDUCATIONAL/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. Superintendent's Report
2. BOCES Budget Vote
3. High School Report
4. Update on Facilities Project

12. CITIZENS' COMMENTS (four 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.

Staff Personnel

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

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

1. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following resignation:
 - a. Maureen Chebetar, Teacher Aide – John Paulding, effective April 27, 2007, after five years of service.

In accordance with Policy #9020, be it

2. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional/non-instructional staff for the 2007/08 school year:
 - a. Ann Marie Murphy, Elementary Principal

Assignment:	W.L. Morse School
Appointment Type:	Probationary
Probationary Dates:	July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010
Tenure Area:	Elementary Principal
Certification:	New York State Permanent Certification – SDA, N-6 New York State Provisional Certification - SAS
Education:	New York University, New York, NY - BFA Long Island University, Brookville, NY - MS Ed. Fordham University, Bronx, New York - MS Ed.
Experience:	Viola Elementary School, Suffern, NY Principal - 2 years Round Hill Elementary School, Washingtonville, NY Assistant Principal - 2 years North Rockland Central School District, Garnerville, NY Elementary Teacher - 1 year Paramus Public Schools, Paramus, New Jersey Elementary Teacher - 3 years
Salary	\$125,000

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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 substitute staff for the 2006/07 school year:

- a. Maritza Perez Long Term Teacher Aide \$14.58 per hour
- b. Edward Mahoney Long Term Teaching Assistant \$16.34 per hour

4. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants an unpaid child care leave of absence to Benita DeSousa Afonso, ESL Teacher – TH/JP, effective October 16, 2007 through December 7, 2007.

5. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants an unpaid child care leave of absence to Heather Schoenberg, Reading Teacher – TH, effective October 3, 2007 through October 15, 2007.

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 February 28, March 7, 14, 28, 2007 meetings as attached (Appendix #).

C. Finance and Facilities

1. RESOLVED: That at the meeting of the Board of Education of the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns held on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, the 2007-08 Estimated Administrative Budget for the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services be approved.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

2. RESOLVED: That at the meeting of the Board of Education of the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns held on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, three votes be cast, for the following three candidates to serve as Trustees on the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services for the time period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010.

- _____ Nancy Fisher
- _____ Georgia Riedel
- _____ Joseph Wooley

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

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

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

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3. **WHEREAS**, litigation has been commenced to challenge the assessments on the property currently leased by The Bank of New York, having a street address of 64 North Broadway, Tarrytown and designated and described as Section 1, Sheet 8, Block 0025, Lot 1 on the Tax Maps and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Greenburgh for assessment years 2001 through 2006; and

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

WHEREAS, several meetings 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 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 law suit with the following reductions in assessed values:

<u>Ass't Year</u>	<u>Orig. AV</u>	<u>Corrected Ass't</u>	<u>Reduction</u>
2001	\$155,000	\$127,050	\$27,950
2002	\$155,000	\$110,150	\$44,850
2003	\$155,000	\$107,000	\$48,000
2004	\$155,000	\$95,500	\$59,500
2005	\$155,000	\$95,500	\$59,500
2006	\$155,000	\$95,500	\$59,500

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.

4. **WHEREAS**, law suits have been commenced to challenge the assessments on the property currently owned by 303 South Broadway Building Corp., having a street address of 303 South Broadway, Tarrytown and designated and described as Section 2, Sheet 17, Block 00000, Lot P11 on the Tax Maps and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Greenburgh for assessment years 1996 through 2006; and

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

WHEREAS, several meetings 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 the Greenburgh Deputy Town Attorney recommend approving the tentative settlement; and

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

<u>Year</u>	<u>Original AV</u>	<u>Corrected AV</u>	<u>Reduction</u>
1996	\$1,132,000	\$725,000	\$407,000
1997	\$1,132,000	\$1,132,000	\$-0-
1998	\$1,152,000	\$1,152,000	\$-0-
1999	\$1,152,000	\$1,152,000	\$-0-
2000	\$1,152,000	\$1,152,000	\$-0-
2001	\$1,152,000	\$1,130,000	\$22,000
2002	\$1,152,000	\$1,062,200	\$89,800
2003	\$1,077,000	\$1,003,200	\$73,800
2004	\$1,077,000	\$950,000	\$127,000
2005	\$1,077,000	\$925,000	\$152,000
2006	\$1,077,000	\$900,000	\$177,000

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.

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 the Board of Education appoints the following residents as election inspectors for the annual election and budget vote to be held on May 15, 2007

District #1

Kay Camillieri
Helen DeMilia
Mary McCarthy
Gloria Koval
Jean Maguire
Marion Losier
Millie McCarthy
Rose DeMilia

District #2

Jeanne Arduino
Agostino Caterano
Sylvia Krell
Violet Zelyez
Joan Wald
Marge Batos

Standby: Mary Johnson

2. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education appoints the following residents to serve as chief inspectors and assistant clerks for the annual election and budget vote to be held on May 15, 2007

District #1

Helen DeMilia – Chief Inspector
Kay Camillieri – Assistant Clerk

District #2

TBD – Chief Inspector
Jeanne Arduino – Assistant Clerk

14. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Treasurer’s Report: March 2007
- b. Use of Facilities

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Agenda/Conferences

A. Agenda

5/3/07 – Board of Education meeting – Executive Session: 7:30PM;
Public Session: 8:00PM

Budget Hearing
Middle School Research Status Report

5/8/07 Evening Registration 4:00-8:00PM
for residents of Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow
Board Room of the Administration Building
200 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow

Residents may also register in the office of the district clerk
from 9:00AM to 3:00PM on any day that school is in session through
May 10, 2007

5/15/07 – SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE AND BOARD ELECTION
7:00AM – 9:00PM – Washington Irving School for Tarrytown Residents
– Morse School for Sleepy Hollow Residents

B. Noteworthy/Conferences/Meetings/Events

- 4/26 WI Spring Concert
- 4/26 SHHS Junior Dinner 7:00PM – 11:00PM Town & Country, Congers, NY
- 4/27 JP Trip Around the World 8:30AM – 11:30AM, All Purpose Room
- 4/30 SHMS/HS Chorus Concert - 7:30PM WI Auditorium
- 4/30-5/4 Grade 4 Science Assessments
- 5/1-2 Grades 7-8 Science Assessments

18. CITIZENS’ COMMENTS (four 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

- 4/15-4/30 Sleepy Hollow Performing Artists
Sign to announce summer programs
Washington Irving School Fence
- 5/30 Sleepy Hollow MS/HS English Department
Celebration of Writing and National English Honor Society Induction
Joe Carmody Auditorium
- 5/18-6/29 Fordham University
Doctoral Class
Sleepy Hollow High School – Room 22N
(Fridays 4:00PM-8:00PM)
- 9/7-10/26 Fordham University
Doctoral Class
Sleepy Hollow High School – Room 22N
(Fridays 4:00PM-8:00PM)
- 9/1-10/3 United Way of the Tarrytowns
Sign to promote United Way Benefit
Washington Irving School Fence