

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Thursday, August 30, 2007

TIME: 7:15PM – 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

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, having received copies of the minutes of the

- a. Organization meeting of July 5, 2007 approves same:

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b. Regular meeting of July 5, 2007 approves as amended.

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

c. Special Public meeting of July 23, 2007, approves as amended:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

d. Special Public meeting of August 2, 2007, approves as amended:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

10. BOARD MATTERS

- 1. Annual NYSSBA Meeting Delegate

11. EDUCATIONAL/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS

- 1. Superintendent’s Report
- 2. Facilities Update
- 3. Goals Discussion
- 4. Agenda Topics Discussion

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 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 resignations:
 - a. Michael Jacobs, School Counselor - SHMS, effective August 31, 2007, after two years of service.
 - b. Kelly Deyo, Reading Teacher – WI, effective August 31, 2007, after six years of service.
 - c. Loretta Melomo, Office Assistant - Grant Funded Programs, effective August 10, 2007, after 10 months of service.
 - d. David Davis, teaching assistant – John Paulding, effective August 31, 2007, after five years of service.
 - e. Jean Pincus, teaching assistant – Morse, effective August 31, 2007, after one year of service.
 - f. Ryan Fischer, teaching assistant – Morse, effective August 31, 2007, after three years of service.

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- g. Meaghan Stapleton, teaching assistant – WI, effective August 31, 2007, after one year of service.
 - h. Carlyn Hammond, teaching assistant – John Paulding, effective August 31, 2007, after five years of service.
 - i. Nadia White, from the position of Summer School ESL teacher, effective July 26, 2007.
2. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby ends the provisional employment of Maritza Viera, Secretary to School Principal – John Paulding, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, effective August 13, 2007.

In accordance with Policy #9020, be it

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 2007/08 school year:
- a. Daniel Larkin, Mathematics Teacher (Replacement)

Assignment:	Sleepy Hollow High School
Appointment Type:	Probationary
Probationary Dates:	September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010
Tenure Area:	Mathematics
Certification:	New York State Initial Certification, Mathematics 7-12,
Education:	Pace University, Pleasantville, New York - MS, BS
Experience:	Sleepy Hollow Middle/High School, Sleepy Hollow, NY Student Teacher, 3 months Math Tutor, 1 year
Salary	MA, Step 1 (\$55,677)

 - b. Ann Winze, Music Teacher (Replacement)

Assignment:	Washington Irving Intermediate School
Appointment Type:	Probationary
Probationary Dates:	September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010
Tenure Area:	Music
Certification:	New York State Initial Certification - Music pending
Education:	Indiana University, Bloomington, IN - MM Lawrence University, Appleton, WI - BM
Experience:	The Elisabeth Morrow School, Englewood, New Jersey Music Teacher, 4 years Summer Music Camp Teacher, 4 years Nightingale-Bamford School, New York, NY Music Teacher, 2 years
Salary:	MA+15, Step 5 (\$72,424)

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- c. Dina Moricco, English Teacher (Replacement)
 Assignment: Sleepy Hollow High School
 Appointment Type: Probationary
 Probationary Dates: September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010
 Tenure Area: English
 Certification: New York State Initial Certification – English 7-12, pending
 Education: Manhattanville College, Purchase, New York - MAT
 Siena College, Loudonville, New York - BA
 Experience: Albertus Magnus High School, Bardonia, New York
 English Teacher, 1 year
 Clarkstown School District, New City, New York
 Substitute Teaching Assistant, 4 years
 Salary: MA, Step 1 (\$55,677)
- d. Miriam Ocasio, School Counselor (Replacement)
 Assignment: Sleepy Hollow Middle School
 Appointment Type: Probationary
 Probationary Dates: September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010
 Tenure Area: School Counselor
 Certification: New York State Permanent Certification, School Counselor
 Education: Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York – MBA
 Medaille College, Buffalo, New York - BS
 Experience: Sleepy Hollow Middle and High School, Sleepy Hollow, NY
 School Counselor, 5 years
 Washington Irving Intermediate School, Tarrytown, NY
 School Counselor - After School Program,
 Salary: MA, Step 5 (\$69,861)
- e. Mrinalini Rajwar, Director of Technology (Replacement)
 Assignment: District Wide
 Appointment Type: Probationary
 Probationary Dates: TBD
 Tenure Area: Director of Technology
 Certification: New York State Certification, SAS
 Education: SUNY New Paltz, New Paltz, New York - C.A.S, pending
 Harvard University, Cambridge, MA - Ed.M.
 Experience: South Orangetown School District, Blauvelt, New York
 Director of Technology, 2 years
 Irvington School District, Irvington, New York
 Director of Technology, 4 years
 Salary: \$135,000
- f. Cindy Brand, Teaching Assistant – W.L. Morse, 6¼ hours per day, probationary, at a salary of \$20,655, based on Step 1 of the teaching assistant salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010. (New position)
- g. Carlos Pelaez, School Monitor – SHHS, 8 hours per day, probationary, at a rate of \$15.08 per hour, based on Step 6 of the CSEA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007. (Replacement)

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- h. Donelle Charles, School Monitor – SHHS, 8 hours per day, probationary, at a rate of \$13.21 per hour, based on Step 1 of the CSEA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007. (Replacement)
 - i. Rhanda Rabadi, Teaching Assistant – SHHS, 6¼ hours per day, probationary, at a salary of \$20,655, based on Step 1 of the teaching assistant salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010. (Replacement)
 - j. Rita Sanchez, Teaching Assistant – SHMS, 6¼ hours per day, at a salary of \$20,655, based on Step 1 of the teaching assistant salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. (Leave Replacement)
 - k. Valerie Rhames, Teaching Assistant – W.L. Morse, 6¼ hours per day, probationary, at a salary of \$20,655, based on Step 1 of the teaching assistant salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010. (Replacement)
 - l. Robel Caceres, Teaching Assistant – SHHS, 7¼ hours per day, probationary, at a salary of \$24,045, based on Step 1 of the teaching assistant salary schedule, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010. (Replacement)
4. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following to Secondary Summer School 2007 positions, effective July 23, 2007 through August 13, 2007:
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| a. | Rita Sanchez | ESL Teacher | \$1,620 (prorated) |
| b. | Lynne Garfinkel | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| c. | Lew Monaco | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| d. | Cynthia Partee | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| e. | Robert Molina | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| f. | Laura Dobson | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| g. | Virginia Lawrence | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| h. | Trish McNabb | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
| i. | Chris DiCesare | Regents Grader | \$35 per hour |
5. 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 2007/08 school year:
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| a. | Gladys Otero | Clerical | \$ 20.32 per hour |
| b. | Lorena Veliz | Bus Attendant | \$ 13.11 per hour |
| c. | Roseann Tucci | Clerical | \$ 28.03 per hour |
| d. | Lisa Micchelli | Long Term Sub. Teacher | \$290.00 per diem |
6. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby revises the following:
- a. Maryann Rizzi, Office Assistant (Automated Systems) from .5 FTE to .1 FTE, 7 hours per day, 12 months per year, at a salary of \$36,137 (prorated salary August 6, 2007 through June 30, 2008 will be \$32,709), based on Step 3 of the CSEA salary schedule, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, effective August 6, 2007.

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7. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants salary transfers to the following staff members, effective September 1, 2007, as per the attached list (as per contractual obligation):
8. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves compensation of \$50.00 per credit hour for credits earned beyond MA+60 to the following staff members, effective September 1, 2007, as per the attached list (as per contractual obligation):

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 April 25; May 23; June 18, 20, 22; July 18, 25, 2007 meetings and the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) at its, 2007 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 Motions, as listed:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____ VOTE _____

1. **WHEREAS**, litigation has been commenced to challenge the assessments on the property known as Rivercliffe Condominium, having a street address of 83-89 Main Street, Tarrytown and which is designated and described as Section 1, Sheet 6A, Lot A2 through D6 on the Tax Maps and Assessment Rolls of the Town of Greenburgh for assessment years 1999 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, the Town of Greenburgh Assessor 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>
1999	\$247,200	\$247,200	\$-0-
2000	\$247,200	\$247,200	\$-0-
2001	\$247,200	\$247,200	\$-0-
2002	\$247,200	\$212,592	\$34,608
2003	\$247,200	\$210,117	\$37,083
2004	\$247,200	\$197,760	\$49,440
2005	\$247,200	\$190,341	\$56,859
2006	\$247,200	\$185,397	\$61,803

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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.

2. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the issuance of serial bonds in the amount of **\$746,302.35** for tax certiorari judgments, as follows: (a) **\$137,965.53** pursuant to the Consent Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated April 2, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **Spelimi Real Estate Co., Inc.** v. the Town of Greenburgh, its Board of Assessors and Board of Review and the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns (Index Nos. 16337/99, 16005/00, 16379/01, and 17708/02); (b) **\$24,493.36** pursuant to the Order of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated May 30, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **Atiganos Realty** v. the Town of Greenburgh, the Assessor for the Town of Greenburgh and the Board of Assessment Review of the Town of Greenburgh (Index Nos. 16645/04, 17835/05 and 20076/06); (c) **\$73,819.02** pursuant to the Order of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated May 30, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **VDC Realty Corp.**, v. the Town of Greenburgh, the Assessor for the Town of Greenburgh and the Board of Assessment Review of the Town of Greenburgh (Index Nos. 16839/03, 17004/04, 18669/05 and 20755/06); (d) **\$18,887.55** pursuant to the Consent Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated June 14, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **Samuel S. Vieira** v. the Assessor of the town of Mt. Pleasant, the Board of Review of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, and the Town of Mt. Pleasant (Index Nos. 14764/00, 15379/01, 17164/02, 16816/03, 15422/04, 17164/05 and 18945/06); (e) **\$21,588.00** pursuant to the Consent Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated June 14, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **Samuel and Gracinda Vieira** v. the Assessor of the town of Mt. Pleasant, the Board of Review of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, and the Town of Mt. Pleasant (Index Nos. 14767/00, 15380/01, 17161/02, 16815/03, 15424/04, 17161/05, and 18946/06); (f) **\$37,627.35** pursuant to the Consent Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated June 7, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **Gracinda X. Vieira** v. the Assessor of the town of Mt. Pleasant, the Board of Review of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, and the Town of Mt. Pleasant (Index Nos. 14765/00, 15378/01, 17162/02, 16811/03, 15423/04, 17162/05, and 18944/06); (g) **\$109,887.08** pursuant to the Consent Order and Judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated June 14, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **The Bank of New York** v. the Town of Greenburgh and the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns (Index Nos. 16537/05 and 18325/06); and (h) **\$322,034.46** pursuant to the Final Order on Consent of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Westchester, dated June 19, 2007, in the Matter of the Application of **303 South Broadway Building Corp.**, v. the Assessor of the Town of Greenburgh and the Town of Greenburgh and the Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns (Index Nos. 16427/96, 15275/97, 15044/98, 14725/99, 14407/00, 14247/01, 16008/02, 16512/03, 14757/04, 16621/05, and 18466/06), as per the attached detailed resolution (Appendix #), as recommended and approved by our bonding attorney Hawkins, Delafield & Wood.
3. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the issuance, not to exceed \$5,000,000, of Tax Anticipation Notes as per the attached detailed resolution (Appendix #) as recommended and approved by our bonding attorney, Hawkins, Delafield & Wood.
4. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education establishes a tax certiorari reserve, as of June 30, 2007, in the amount of \$2,600,000.

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5. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby increases the rate of pay for election inspectors from \$10.00 per hour to \$11.00 per hour, for the 2007/2008 school year.

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 is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Adecco to provide secretarial services, for the 2007/2008 school year, at a rate not to exceed \$40,000.
2. RESOLVED: That, the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Steve Tubin, to serve as Accompanist for the Washington Irving Chorus, at a rate of \$50 per hour, not to exceed \$3,900 for the 2007/08 school year.
3. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with PAS Auto School, to provide drivers education at Sleepy Hollow High School, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2008.
4. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to amend the agreement with Learning Shop, Inc., to provide home instruction, from \$50.00 per hour to \$55.00 per hour, not to exceed \$66,000, for the 2007/08 school year.
5. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Sleepy Hollow Physical Therapy to provide trainer functions for all athletic teams, at a fee of \$20,750, for the 2006/2007 school year.
6. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts District Goals for the 2007-2008 school year, as per the attachment to these minutes (Appendix #)
7. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the dates indicated on the attachment to these minutes (Appendix #) as days of religious observance for the 2007-2008 school year.
8. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Patricia Schumacker, to serve as Fit Kids Coordinator for the summer school program – SHMS, at a rate of \$35 per hour, for the 2007/08 school year. (Funded by Westchester County Fit Kids Grant)
9. RESOLVED: That the Public Schools of the Tarrytowns enter into an agreement to participate in the Mid-Westchester Special Education Consortium for the provision of special education and alternative education to students of the various districts which make up the consortium.
10. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute a lease agreement with Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary, 50 Wilson Park Drive, Tarrytown, New York, for a term of five (5) years, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2012. (Appendix #)

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11. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby adopts the following textbook:

a. Physical Science with Earth Science

Author: Feather; McLaughlin; Thompson; Zike

Publisher: Glencoe/McGraw-Hill

To be used by the Sleepy Hollow Middle School Science Department

12. RESOLVED: That the Board of Education appoints the following residents to serve on the Board of Registration for the 2007-2008 school year:

District #1:	Katherine Camillieri	Millie McCarthy
	Helen DeMilia	Mary McCarthy
	Jean Maguire	Marion Losier
	Margaret Pircio	

District #2:	Jean Arduino	Sylvia Krell
	Marilyn Helwig	Mafalda Tornello
	Joan Wald	Violet Zelyez

13. RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts, with appreciation, the following donations:

- a. Pediatrics of Sleepy Hollow, a check in the amount of \$200.00, towards the printing of the 2007/08 school calendar.
- b. Dr. Jacobo Lavie, a check in the amount of \$200.00, towards the printing of the 2007/08 school calendar.
- c. Pediatric Dental Care of Westchester, P.C., a check in the amount of \$200.00, towards the printing of the 2007/08 school calendar.

14. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Treasurer's Report: June 2007
- b. Warrant Reports
- c. Use of Facilities

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Agenda/Conferences

A. Agenda

9/20/07 Board of Education meeting – Executive Session: 7:30PM;
Back to School Report Public Session: 8:00PM

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B. Noteworthy Conferences/Meetings

- 9/4-5 Staff Development Day
- 9/6 First Day of School for Students
- 9/6-18 TH Early Dismissal 10:30AM/Home Visits
- 9/8 SHHS Volleyball Tournament 8:30AM
- 9/10 EPTA Exec. Board Meeting 9:30AM – Board Room (Admin. Bldg.)
- 9/11 SHMS Back to School Night 7:30PM
- 9/13-14 Schools Closed in observance of Rosh Hashanah
- 9/17 JP Principal’s Coffee 12:00PM
WI Play Try Outs 2:15PM
SHMS/HS PTSA Meeting 7:30PM - Cafeteria
- 9/19 TH Full Day Kindergarten Begins
SHMS Photo Day
WI Back to School Night 7:00PM
- 9/20 WLM Principal’s Coffee 3:15PM

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

7/26-8/6	Family YMCA at Tarrytown Washington Irving School Fence Sign to promote Shakespeare in the Park
8/6-8/20	Family YMCA at Tarrytown Washington Irving School Fence Sign to promote open registration for fall classes
8/13-8/24	Family YMCA at Tarrytown Washington Irving School Fence Sign to promote preschool program
8/27-9/10	SH Chamber of Commerce Washington Irving School Fence Sign to publicize waterfront festival on Sept. 9 th
8/27-9/10	SH Chamber of Commerce Morse School Fence Sign to publicize waterfront festival on Sept. 9 th
9/07-6/08	Family YMCA at Tarrytown Tappan Hill School Before & After School Program for PreK Students (Monday thru Friday)
9/07-6/08	Family YMCA at Tarrytown Tappan Hill School Before & After School Program for K Students (Monday thru Friday)
10/07-6/08	Family YMCA at Tarrytown Tappan Hill School Enrichment Classes (Monday and Wednesday)
9/07-6/08	Sleepy Hollow Recreation W.L. Morse School Cafeteria After school program
9/07-6/08	Sleepy Hollow Recreation W.L. Morse School Gymnasium Aerobic Classes (Monday and Wednesday from 6:30-7:30PM)
9/07-6/08	Family YMCA at Tarrytown W.L. Morse School After School Program and Enrichment Classes