

**CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 Catskill, New York  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**  
**July 29, 2009**  
 Catskill Elementary School Library  
**7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** K. Allen, M. Bulich, B. Cotten, R. Griffin, K. Haas, M. Leibowitz, J. Osswald, L. Warner

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** A. Jones

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** K. Farrell, K. Lewis, D. VanKleeck

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:05 pm by Board President Griffin and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Call to Order

**A MOTION (Leibowitz/Haas) to approve the board meeting minutes of July 7, 2009. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Minutes

There was no one who wished to speak to the Board.

Visitor Recognition

Dr. Farrell showed the board a video with our students answering questions on the recession. She also gave the board an update on the upcoming events.

Superintendent's Report

Terry Damon of Armlin Damon & McMordie gave the board an update on the progress of the construction of the high school & middle school addition and the classroom conversion at the middle school.

Construction Update  
 Armlin Damon & McMordie Report

**A MOTION (Cotton/Bulich) to approve the following resolution regarding a surrogate parent. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Appointment of Surrogate Parent

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Anne Marie Bremiller is appointed to serve as a Surrogate Parent for Student No. 31000869 for all matters relating to the identification, evaluation and educational placement of the Student in relation to the provision of a free appropriate public education.

Personnel Instructional

**A MOTION (Cotton/Allen) to MOVE and APPROVE the following resolutions regarding personnel. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Resignation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the resignation of Chad Jaconski from his position as Chemistry Teacher at Catskill High School, effective August 5, 2009, for personal reasons.

Chad Jaconski

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the following leave of absence request from Robyn Scotland, per the Family and Medical Leave Act and CTA contract, anticipated effective dates are December 7, 2009 through February 1, 2010.

Leave of Absences

Robyn Scotland

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the following leave of absence request from Courtney McDonnell-Near, per the Family and Medical Leave Act and CTA contract, anticipated effective dates are October 23, 2009 through January 18, 2010.

Courtney  
McDonnell-Near

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the reassignment of Diane Jubie, as Teaching Assistant, 7 hrs a day, assigned to Pre-K, effective September 8, 2009, paid at the rate of 17.76 per hour.

Reassignment

Diane Jubie

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the three-year probationary appointment of Theresa Prendergast, as Teaching Assistant, 7 hrs a day, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, assigned to Pre-K, effective September 8, 2009, paid at the rate of 12.47 per hour.

Appointment

Theresa Prendergast

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby adjusts the June 24, 2009 Summer School appointments to show the correct salary:

Summer School

Appointment

Adjustments

<b>SECONDARY SUMMER SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Subject Area (# of courses)</b>	<b>Salary</b>
Paul Irvis	Integrated Algebra I, IA & Course II (up to 2 Classes)	\$1,760 per class
Mitch Stevens	Driver's Education	\$5,100

Paul Irvis

Mitch Stevens

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following PreK-12 Department Director appointment, effective July 1, 2009, with a yearly salary of \$4,000:

Department Director

Appointment

<b>Physical Education &amp; Health</b>	Marielena Davis
--	-----------------

Marielena Davis

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby terminates the services of Tracylynn Todriff as Monitor at the Catskill Elementary School, effective July 30, 2009.

Personnel –  
Non-Instructional  
Terminations

Tracylynn Todriff

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby terminates the services of JeanMarie Accardi as Monitor at the Catskill Elementary School, effective July 30, 2009.

JeanMarie Accardi

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby terminates the services of JeanMarie Accardi as Bus Attendant assigned to Transportation, effective July 30, 2009.

JeanMarie Accardi

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts the resignation of Alison Rivenburgh as Monitor, 4.5 hr/day, effective March 8, 2009, to accept another position within the district.

Resignation

Alison Rivenburgh

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the probationary appointment of Alison Rivenburgh as 1:1 Teacher Aide assigned to Kindergarten at the Catskill Elementary School, effective March 9, 2009, and paid at the rate of \$12.37 per hour (salary category G of the CSEA Agreement).

Appointments

Alison Rivenburgh

**A MOTION (Warner/Leibowitz) to approve the following resolution regarding a teaching assistant appointment. VOTE: Yes: Bulich, Cotten, Griffin, Haas, Leibowitz, Osswald, Warner; No: Allen. Motion Carried 7 Yes, 1 No.**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the three-year probationary appointment of Stephanie Terpening, as Teaching Assistant, 7 hrs a day, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, assigned to Pre-K, effective September 8, 2009, paid at the rate of 12.47 per hour.

Stephanie Terpening

**A MOTION (Haas/Warner) to approve the following resolution regarding the after school program coordinator. The motion was withdrawn.**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby appoints Don Osborn to the position of Program Coordinator for After School Program, effective September 1, 2009 until August 31, 2010, and paid a salary of \$4,500.

After School Program  
Coordinator - Motion  
Withdrawn

**A MOTION (Leibowitz/Bulich) to approve the following resolution regarding the extra-classroom accounts. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board hereby receives the Extra-Classroom Activities Accounts update, for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, as submitted by the Extra-Classroom Activities Account Treasurer.

Receiving of  
Quarterly Extra-  
Classroom Activities  
Accounts Update

**A MOTION (Warner/Bulich) to approve the following resolution regarding transportation services from First Student. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board of Education hereby awards the Transportation services contract for the 2009-2010 school year for the transport of Catskill students in grades 1 to 12, from home to school to First Student as follows:

Awarding of  
Transportation  
Services, First  
Student

- \$60,348 per bus, per year, based upon 20 buses
- \$54,834 add/delete cost of bus, per bus, per year, if needed
- \$15,000 school bus attendant, per year, if requested by the School District
- \$15,000 school bus monitor, per year, if requested by the School District

**A MOTION (Leibowitz/Cotten) to approve the following resolution regarding transportation services from Cocksackie Transport. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board of Education hereby awards the Transportation services contract for the 2009-2010 school year for the transport of Catskill pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students from their home to school to Cocksackie Transport as follows:

Awarding of  
Transportation  
Services, Cocksackie  
Transport

- \$54,735 per bus, per year, with 4 daily trips, based upon 1 bus
- \$54,735 per bus, per year, with 3 daily trips, based upon 2 buses
- \$54,735 per bus, per year, with 2 daily trips, based upon 1 buses
- \$54,735 add cost of bus, per bus, per year
- \$35,000 delete cost of bus, per bus, per year

- \$17,220 school bus attendant, per year, if requested by the School District
- \$17,220 school bus monitor, per year, if requested by the School District

***A MOTION (Cotten/Leibowitz) to approve the following resolution regarding a donation. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Acceptance of Donations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the donation of \$500 from Magliocca Stores, Inc., DBA McDonald’s for the Victor Armstead Scholarship fund at the Catskill High School.

Magliocca Stores, Inc., DBA McDonald’s

***A MOTION (Allen/Warner) to approve the following resolution regarding a donation. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the donation of \$100 from Snapper Family for the Math and Science departments at the Catskill High School.

Snapper Family

***A MOTION (Warner/Haas) to approve the following resolution regarding a donation. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the donation of a dumbbell rack valued at \$240 from Sammel Architecture, PLLC for the fitness center at the Catskill High School.

Sammel Architecture, PLLC

***A MOTION (Haas/Leibowitz) to approve the following resolution regarding a donation. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the donation of 3 Dell 1905FP monitors and 2 Dell 196FP monitors valued at \$425 from Sammel Architecture, PLLC for the Catskill Central School District.

Sammel Architecture, PLLC

***A MOTION (Leibowitz/Warner) to approve the following resolution regarding a donation. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the donation of a Slik professional camera tripod and an Ambico camera tripod valued at \$100 from Mary Jean Pomilla for the Catskill Central School District.

Mary Jean Pomilla

***A MOTION (Haas/Bulich) to approve the following resolution regarding the return of scholarship funds. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Whereas, the Steven Guterman scholarship has criteria which is no longer permissible for the Catskill School District to maintain; and

Return of funds of the Steven Guterman scholarship

Whereas, the authorized representative for the scholarship has chosen to have the current funds returned;

The Board of Education, hereby agrees to return the current balance of \$527.26 to the authorized representative.

**A MOTION (Leibowitz/Allen) to approve the following resolution regarding a leave of absence for a 2006 Clarke Scholarship recipient. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the recommendation of the Clarke Scholarship Committee to approve a Leave of Absence for the Class of 2006 Clarke Scholarship recipient for student number 200051 for two semesters, Fall 2009 and Spring 2010, pursuant to the established Clarke Scholarship Guidelines.

Leave of Absence for the Class of 2006 Clarke Scholarship

**A MOTION (Cotten/Leibowitz) to approve the following resolution regarding the health office year-end report. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts the year end Health Office summaries for the 2008-09 school year, as submitted by the High School, Middle School and Elementary School Nurses.

Acceptance of 2008-09 Year End Health Offices Summaries

**A MOTION (Cotten/Osswald) to approve the following resolution regarding the library year-end reports. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts the year end Library Media Centers reports for the 2008-09 school year, as submitted by the Librarians.

Acceptance of 2008-09 Year End Library Reports

**A MOTION (Cotten/Haas) to approve the following recommendations regarding Section 504 Accommodations. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Recommendation: The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education accept the recommendations for student ID 101245 as presented by the Section 504 Accommodation Committee.

Section 504 Accommodation Recommendations

**A MOTION (Osswald/Leibowitz) to approve the following resolution regarding CSE/CPSE recommendations. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

Resolved: That the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE meetings of 3/18/09, 3/17/09, 3/19/09, 3/24/09, 3/25/09, 3/26/09, 3/27/09, 3/30/09, 4/2/09, 4/3/09, 4/06/09, 4/7/09, 4/08/09, 4/09/09, 4/20/09, 4/21/09, 4/22/09, 5/7/09, 5/28/09, 6/03/09, 6/9/09, 6/11/09, 6/24/09, 7/21/09 and 7/28/09 be approved.

CSE/CPSE Committee Recommendations

**A MOTION (Bulich/Warner) to approve the following resolution regarding change orders. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following change orders associated with each of the approved projects pursuant to the recommendation and prior approval of the Owner's Representative and the Superintendent in accordance with the District's Change Order Commitment Approval and Authorization Process.

Approval of Change Orders

<u>Change Order No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Change Order Amount</u>	<u>Previous Contract Amount</u>	<u>Revised Contract Amount</u>
-------------------------	--------------------	----------------------------	---------------------------------	--------------------------------

**A. CHS Rear Addition Project - (Project 005-015)**

**1. Bast Hatfield Inc.-General Contractor**

22	Credit due to owner for cleaning performed by district staff.	(\$96.00)	\$1,949,229.99	\$1,949,133.99
----	---	-----------	----------------	----------------

**2. Crisafulli Bro. Plumbing & Heating-HVAC Contractor**

5	Back charge due to owner for damage to equipment due to water leak related to contractor's work.	(\$3,313.00)	\$389,781.31	\$386,468.31
---	--	--------------	--------------	--------------

<b>TOTAL CHS- Rear Addition Project- Project (005-015):</b>	<b><u>(\$3,409.00)</u></b>
---	----------------------------

**B. CHS Front Addition Project - (Project 005-017)**

**1. Phoenix Electric Co., Inc.-Electric Contractor**

2	Provide electrical changes to guidance suite as directed by the Architect per the district's request.	\$2,465.00	\$413,447.00	\$415,912.00
3	Modification of main electrical service as directed by the Architect due to a discovered condition.	\$7,735.00	\$415,912.00	\$423,647.00
4	Installation for electric and data drop for the Choice Room-126 as directed by the Architect per the district's request.	\$2,125.00	\$423,647.00	\$425,772.00
5	Remove and relocate data, power, cable and related wiring and ceiling tile to allow for demo and removal of existing structure installation of new at high school lobby as directed by the Architect due to a discovered condition.	\$5,000.00	\$425,772.00	\$430,772.00

<b>TOTAL CHS- Front Addition Project- Project (005-017):</b>	<b><u>\$17,325.00</u></b>
--	---------------------------

<b>Total Change Orders Approved for All Contractors included in this Resolution:</b>	<b><u>\$13,916.00</u></b>
--	---------------------------

There were no committee reports.

Committee Reports

The board agreed by consensus to change the time for the August 19<sup>th</sup> board meeting to 6:00 PM to do a building walkthrough.

Time Change for Board Meeting

Future Meetings of the Board of Education are as follows:

August 5, 2009 – Board Retreat – 6:00 PM

August 19, 2009 – Board Member Building Walkthrough – 6:00 PM

Regular Meeting –Elementary Library – 7:00 PM

September 9, 2009 – Workshop/Special meeting – Elementary Library – 7:00 PM

September 30, 2009 – Regular meeting/New Teacher Reception – Secondary Library – 6:30 PM

October 14, 2009 – Workshop/Special meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

October 28, 2009 – Regular Meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

November 18, 2009 – Regular Meeting – CHS Cafeteria – 7:00 PM

December 9, 2009 – Regular Meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

January 13, 2010 – Workshop/Special meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

January 27, 2010 – Regular Meeting– Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

February 10, 2010 – Workshop/Special meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

February 24, 2010 –Regular Meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

March 10, 2010 – Workshop/Special meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

March 31, 2010 – Regular Meeting– Secondary Library

Future Meetings

April 14, 2010 – Special Meeting – Possible Budget Adoption– Secondary Library  
 April 27, 2010 – Regular Meeting - Vote on BOCES Annual Budget & BOCES Board  
 Members – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM  
 May 4, 2010 – Tuesday - Public Hearing – CHS Auditorium – 7:00 PM  
 May 12, 2010 – Workshop/Special Meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM  
 May 18, 2010 – Tuesday - Board Member & Budget/Propositions  
 VOTE 6:00 AM – 9:00 P.M. – CHS Gymnasium  
 May 26, 2010 – Regular Meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM  
 June 9, 2010 – Workshop/Special meeting/Academic Awards – CHS Cafeteria – 6:30 PM  
 June 30, 2010 – Regular Meeting – Secondary Library – 7:00 PM

The board had a brief discussion of the revisions to policy 4526, Technology Use.

Discussion of  
Policy 4526

There was no one who wished to address the board.

Visitor Recognition

The board took a fifteen minute break.

Break

***A MOTION (Jones/Warner) to go into executive session at 8:40 PM for the purpose of the employment history of a particular individual. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Motion for  
Executive Session

There was a consensus to return to public session at 9:20 PM.

Return to Public  
Session

***A MOTION (Warner/Leibowitz) to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM. VOTE: Unanimous, 8-0. Motion carried unanimously.***

Adjournment

---

Donna Van Kleeck, District Clerk

\*Note: 1-751 would include minutes from previous meetings since July 1, 2005.