

**Watervliet City School District
1245 Hillside Avenue
Watervliet, New York**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**Tuesday
July 1, 2008
Watervliet High School**

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mrs. Donna Neary-Hart, President

II. BOARD MEMBERS

President, Donna Neary-Hart
Vice President, Mark S. Scully
Christine Chartrand
Frank McGrouty
Virginia Mullaney

Paul J. Padalino, Superintendent

III. OATH OF OFFICE: Superintendent will administer the Oath of Office to Mrs. Mullaney and Mr. Scully. Each will serve three year terms of office.

IV. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

V. GENERAL

1. Resolved, that the Board of Education appoints a President and Vice President as selected by the Board of Education.
2. Resolved. that the Board approves the Board of Education Minutes from the May 20th and June 17th meetings as submitted by the Clerk of the Board.
3. Resolved, that the Board approves the policy statements and the eligibility guidelines for Free and Reduced Price Meals for the 2008/2009 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.
4. Resolved, that the Board approves the prices for school lunches/breakfast as submitted by Mr. Daryl Whited, Food Service Manager, effective September, 2008.

Breakfast: \$1.25

Lunch: \$1.75

5. Resolved, that the Board approves the following appointments:

Treasurer – John Heid
Assistant Treasurer – Bonnie Sicko
Clerk of the Board -
Assistant Clerk of the Board – John Heid
Independent Auditor, CPA – Teal, Becker and Chiaramonte
Internal Claims Auditor – Michaleen Backus
Internal Auditor – Dorfman & Robbie, CPA
Attorney – Ferrara, Fiorenza, Barrett & Reitz
School Physician – Drs. O’Bryan and Kansas
Purchasing Agent – Jennifer Dugan
Tax Collector – Bonnie Sicko
Activity Treasurer WES – Jennifer Dugan
Activity Treasurer WHS – Alice Bulmer

6. Resolved, that the Board establishes the following Petty Cash Funds;

High School - \$40
Elementary School - \$40
Superintendent’s Office - \$40
Business Office - \$100
Tax Collection - \$100
Cafeteria WES - \$125
Cafeteria WHS - \$125

7. Resolved, that the Board designates Bank of America and Chase Bank as Official Depository of Funds.

8. Resolved, that the Board authorizes the Treasurer to invest funds, as recommended by the Superintendent.

9. Resolved, that the Board approves the designation of the official newspaper as The Troy Record.

10. Resolved, that the Board authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to:

- A. Sign all applications for Federal Grants and Programs
- B. Transfer funds within the budget, up to \$5,000, upon the recommendation of the Business Manager.
- C. Certify Payrolls
- D. Sign all contracts pertaining to disabled students
- E. Approve attendance at educational meetings, conferences, graduate courses for administrative, instructional and support staff.

11. Resolved, that the Board approves the bonding of District employees:

- A. Treasurer - \$1,100,000
- B. Assistant Treasurer - \$100,000

- C. Tax Collector - \$1,100,000
- D. Central Treasurer - \$100,000
- E. Other Staff - \$100,000

12. Resolved, that Board approves the establishment of mileage reimbursement for district employees authorized to travel in performing official school district business as follows:

Present Rate: .485
New Rate: .505

13. Resolved, that the Board approves the following Committee on Pre – School and Special Education appointments:

Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE)

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| Janelle Yanni | Chairperson |
| Tina Ploof | Parent Member |
| Rory Wood | Parent Member (alternate) |
| Albany County Rep. | As designated by the County |
| Student’s Regular Ed. Teacher | |
| Student’s Special Ed. Teacher | |
| Parents of Student | |
| Related-Services Personnel | If appropriate |

Committee on Special Education (CSE)

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| Janelle Yanni | Chairperson |
| Veronica Bedard | School Psychologist (Watervliet High School) |
| Daniele DeInnocentiis | School Psychologist (WES) |
| Tina Ploof | Parent Member |
| Rory Wood | Parent Member (alternate) |
| Kathleen Bisceglia | Special Education Chairperson |
| Robert Strang | Guidance Counselor |
| Kelly Creaser | Guidance Counselor |
| Dave Olszewski | Guidance Counselor |
| Jacqueline Valachovic | Guidance Counselor |
| Fran DeCrescenzo | Counselor |
| Student’s Regular Ed. Teacher | |
| Student’s Special Ed. Teacher | |
| Parents of Student | |
| School Physician (If Requested) | |
| Related-Service Personnel (If appropriate) | |
| Student (If appropriate) | |

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

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| Veronica Bedard | Chairperson (WHS) |
| Daniele DeInnocentiis | Chairperson (WES) |

Tina Ploof Parent Member
 Rory Wood Parent Member (alternate)
 Student's Regular Ed. Teacher
 Guidance Counselor
 Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding student (ex: related-services personnel)
 Student (If appropriate)
 Parents of student

Sub-Committee on Special Education*
 Watervliet Elementary School
 Danielle DeInnocentiis Chairperson
 Robert Strang Guidance Counselor
 Fran DeCrescenzo Counselor
 Tina Ploof Parent Member
 Rory Wood Parent Member (alternate)
 Student's Special Ed. Teacher
 Student's Regular Ed. Teacher
 Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding student (ex: related-services personnel)
 Student (If appropriate)
 Parents of student

Sub-Committee on Special Education*
 Watervliet High School
 Veronica Bedard Chairperson, School Psychologist
 Kathleen Bisceglia Special Education Chairperson
 Tina Ploof Parent Member
 Rory Wood Parent Member (alternate)
 Student's Special Ed. Teacher
 One Regular Ed. Teacher
 Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding student (ex: related-services personnel)
 Student (If appropriate)

*Sub-Committee may perform the functions of the Committee on Special Education except when a student is a:

New referral	BOCES Placement
Transfer	Private School Placement
Special Class	

Impartial Hearing Officers:

To be selected from a rotational selection list. Pursuant to section 200.1(x) of the Regulations of the Commissioner, these individuals are certified by New York State. This list, provided by the New York State education Department, is in alphabetical order and the officers are listed by county. An IHO must be selected from the school district's

list of IHO's beginning with the first name appearing on the list. After an IHO has been selected by the district, the district continues down the list in alphabetical order upon request of any further impartial hearings.

14. Resolved, the Board appoints John DiPofi as the surrogate parent for the 2008-2009 school year.

15. Resolved, that the Board appoint the following Club advisors and Coaches, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Watervliet Junior-Senior High School

Art Club: Beverly Lavick
Chess Club: Frank Parisi
Computer Coordinator: Dan Lindemann
Detention Monitor: Joseph Cea
Drama Club Advisor: Dawn Sylvester
Health Coordinator: Dennis Robinson
Homemakers of America: William Gallagher
Jazz Ensemble: Joseph Bonville
Jr. High Student Council: Donna Belokopitsky
Marching Band: Terry Bradway
Master Minds Advisor: Yuriy Berin
National Jr. Honor Society: Joe Dievendorf
National Honor Society: Scott Burke
Newspaper Advisor: David Oszwelski
Photography Club Advisor: Yuriy Berin
Russian Club Advisor: Steven Leggiero
SHOW/SADD Advisor: Dennis Robinson
Ski Club Advisor: Frank Parisi
Student Council (HS): Scott Burke
Study Tables: James Gardner/Camelia Sofrone
Yearbook Advisor: Janeen Schoonmaker
Yearbook Business Manager: Donna Belokopitsky
Varsity Club Advisor: Peter Strand

Class Advisors:

2009: Donna Belokopitsky
2010: Megan Thouin/Kyle Annis
2011: none
2012: Kerry Degnan/Camelia Sofrone

Department Chairs:

English: Beth Bonville
Business: Dan Lindemann
Fine Arts: Joseph Bonville

Foreign Language: Steven Leggiero
Math: Yuriy Berin
Physical Education: Cheryl Hotaling
Science: Frank Parisi
Social Studies: Bryan Satterlee
Special Education: Kathy Bisceglia

Coaching Fall

_____ Head Varsity Football	- Erick Bernard
Asst. Varsity Football	- Don Hogan
Asst. Varsity Football	- Mike Manning
J.V. Head Football	- Brian Hoefer
J.V. Asst. Football	- Daryl Whited
J.V. Asst. Football	- Aaron Sorell
Modified Head Football	- Mike Prendergast
Modified Asst. Football	- Mike Michela
Modified Asst. Football	- Joe Holland
Varsity Girls' Soccer	- Dave Olszewski
Modified Girls' Soccer	- Meagan Morrissey
Boys/Girls' Cross Country	- Dennis Lane
Varsity Girls' Volleyball	- Angela Pastizzo*
Varsity Girls' Volleyball	- Ena Minnick*
J.V. Girls' Volleyball	- Peter Strand
Modified Girls' Volleyball	- Megan Thouin
Varsity Girls' Tennis	- Stephanie Randall
Varsity Girls' Cheerleading	- Lindsey Westfall

Coaching Winter

_____ Varsity Boys' Basketball	- Walter Bowden
J.V. Boys' Basketball	- Peter Strand
Freshmen Boys' Basketball	- Brian Hoefer
Modified Boys' Basketball	- Dave Olszewski
Varsity Girls' Basketball	- Gordie Johnson
J.V. Girls' Basketball	- Tim Mitchell
Modified Girls' Basketball	- Rachel Manning
Varsity Boys' Wrestling	- Dennis Lane
J. V. Boys' Wrestling	- Steve Leggiero
Modified Boys' Wrestling	- Mike Prendergast
Varsity Boys' Indoor Track	- Jeremy Smith*
Varsity Girls' Indoor Track	- Don Hogan*
Varsity Girls' Bowling	- Cheryl Hotaling
Varsity Boys' Bowling	- Dennis Robinson
Varsity Girls' Cheerleading	- Lindsey Westfall

Coaching Spring

Varsity Boys' Baseball	- Peter Strand
J.V. Boys' Baseball	- Mike Prendergast
Modified Boys' Baseball	- Dave Olszewski
Varsity Girls' Softball	- Frank Parisi
J.V. Girls' Softball	- Eric Lewis
Modified Girls' Softball	- Daryl Whited
Varsity Girls' Track	- Don Hogan
Varsity Boys' Track	- Erick Bernard
Modified/Varsity Asst.	- Jeremy Smith
Varsity Boys' Tennis	- Stephanie Randall

*equal share of stipend

Volunteers to Fall Sports Programs

Football - Jeremy Smith and Dennis Robinson

Volleyball - Michele Schoonmaker

Watervliet Elementary School

Art Club: Meghan Van Epps

Chess Club: Paul Travers

Chorus: Mary Collett

Computer Club: Kathy Terpening

Band: Jeff Roberts

Drama: Don Stevens

Elementary Engineers: Robert Strang, Jeff Roberts

Environmental Club: Jennifer O'Rielly

Student Council: Jeff Robert, Robert Strang

Boys 5/6 Intramurals: Robert Strang

Boys 3/4 Intramurals: Paul Travers

Odyssey of the Mind: Joelle Byrd, Kim Suedkamp

Spanish: Kim Tallmadge

Year Book: Jeff Roberts

16. Resolved that the Board approves the 2008/2009 Athletic Handbook, as recommended by the Superintendent.
17. Resolved, that the Board accepts, with thanks, the following donations for the purpose of purchasing a new baseball scoreboard to be installed this summer, as recommended by the Superintendent.

- **Watervliet Teachers Association: \$2,000**
- **Dunkin Donuts: \$500**

18. Resolved, that the Board accepts the resignation of Ms. Kristen Lombard from the position of Special Education Teacher at the Watervliet Elementary School, effective August 31, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
19. Resolved, that the Board accepts the resignation of Mr. Benjamin Clark from the position of Special Education Teacher at Watervliet Junior-Senior High School, effective August 31, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
20. Resolved, that the Board accepts the Resignation of Ms. Anne Keefer from the position of Teacher Assistant at the Watervliet Elementary School, effective June 30, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
21. Resolved, that the Board accepts the resignation of Ms. Margaret Mahoney from the position of Teacher Assistant at the Watervliet Junior-Senior High School, effective June 19, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
22. Resolved that the Board declares the 679 library books identified by Mrs. Palmquist as obsolete and approves the disposal of said books, as recommended by the Superintendent.
23. Resolved, that the Board approves the Voluntary Transfer of Mrs. Michelle Deguire to the position of Elementary Teacher/Math Specialist, as recommended by the Superintendent.
24. Resolved, that the Board appoints Ms. Lindsay DiSalvo to the position of Spanish teacher at Watervliet Junior – Senior High School for a three year probationary period commencing on September 2, 2008 and ending on September 2, 2011 at a salary of \$35,373.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.
25. Resolved, that the Board appoints Ms. Jessica Pedone to the position of Math Teacher at Watervliet Junior-Senior High School for a three year probationary position commencing September 2, 2008 and ending on September 2, 2011, at a salary of \$36,074, as recommended by the Superintendent.
26. Resolved, that the Board sets the following dates as Regular Board of Education Meetings for 2008 – 2009: (all meetings will be held at Watervliet Junior Senior High School at 7:00 pm)
 - July 29
 - August 19
 - September 16
 - October 21
 - November 18
 - December 16
 - January 20

- February 10
- March 17
- April 21
- May 19
- June 23

27. Resolved, that the Board re-adopts the Watervliet City School District Code of Conduct for 2008/2009, as recommended by the Superintendent.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. ADJOURNMENT