

*Watervliet City School District  
Watervliet, New York 12189*

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

*November 18, 2008  
7:00 P.M.  
Watervliet Jr.-Sr. High School*

**A G E N D A**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**                      PRESIDENT, **Donna M. Neary-Hart**

**II. BOARD MEMBERS**                      PRESIDENT, **Donna M. Neary-Hart**  
VICE PRESIDENT, **Mark W. Scully**  
**Christine Chartrand**  
**Frank McGrouty**  
**Virginia Mullaney**

**SUPERINTENDENT**                      **Paul J. Padalino**

**III. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

In accordance with Board Policy Number 2310, the privilege of speaking from the floor will be extended to any person in attendance. Persons desiring to speak shall be required to give their name and address and will be limited to three (3) minutes for their presentation. The time allowed each speaker may be adjusted by the chair. The speaker's privilege may also be terminated by the chair if found to be out of order.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**V. BOARD, STAFF AND STUDENT REPORTS**

School District **Renovation Project** Update **Bruce Wiggins**

**Character Education** Presentation **Dave Wareing**

**Web Site** Presentation **Jill Aurora**

**VI. GENERAL**

1. Resolved that the Board approve the Board of Education Minutes for the meeting held **October 21, 2008**, submitted by Bernadette L. Boardman, Clerk of the Board, as recommended by the Superintendent.
2. Resolved that the Board approve the **Committee on Special Education's** recommendations for the meetings held **October 20, 2008, October 23, 2008** and **November 3, 2008**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CPSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.
3. Resolved that the Board approve the **Committee on Pre-School Special Education's** recommendations for the meeting held **October 29, 2008**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CPSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.
4. Resolved that the Board approve the following **Treasurer's Reports** for the month of **October 2008**, submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent:

*Schedule of Warrants & Payrolls*

*Revenue Status Report*

*Cash & Investments*

*Appropriation Status Report*

5. Resolved that the Board approve the following **payment requests**, submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent:

**WATERVLiet CSD ADDITIONS & ALTERATIONS**

|                                   |                                       |              |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| <i>Collins &amp; Scoville</i>     | <i>Invoice #14 – Phase 2</i>          | \$ 5,216.19  |
| <i>Collins &amp; Scoville</i>     | <i>Invoice #13 – CM Phase 2</i>       | \$ 9,599.86  |
| <i>Collins &amp; Scoville</i>     | <i>Invoice #7 – Phase 3</i>           | \$ 42,943.84 |
| <i>Eastern Building</i>           | <i>Application #5 – Phase 2</i>       | \$263,363.50 |
| <i>Northern Instrumentation</i>   | <i>Application #3 – Phase 2</i>       | \$ 59,026.06 |
| <i>WJV Mechanical</i>             | <i>Application #3 – Phase 2</i>       | \$ 53,708.00 |
| <i>Needham Risk Management</i>    | <i>Invoice #1401</i>                  | \$ 660.00    |
| <i>B.P. Donegan, Inc.</i>         | <i>Invoice Dated October 31, 2008</i> | \$ 1,401.58  |
| <i>Evergreen Testing</i>          | <i>Invoice #06461</i>                 | \$ 2,741.75  |
| <i>Ferrara, Fiorenza, et. al.</i> | <i>Services – October, 2008</i>       | \$ 444.00    |
| <i>Construction Trailer</i>       |                                       |              |
| <i>William Scotsman</i>           | <i>10/27/08 – 11/26/08</i>            | \$ 358.32    |
| <i>Time Warner</i>                | <i>11/02/08 – 12/01/08</i>            | \$ 201.50    |
| <i>Verizon</i>                    | <i>10/16/08 – 11/15/08</i>            | \$ 155.82    |
| <i>Crystal Rock</i>               | <i>October, 2008</i>                  | \$ 5.97      |
| <i>Xerox</i>                      | <i>September, 2008</i>                | \$ 252.19    |

6. Resolved that the Board approve the **Substitute Registry** submitted by **BOCES**, as recommended by the Superintendent (packets #8, #9, #10 and #11).
7. Resolved that the Board approve the **contract** with **EMTech** for basic **HVAC** coverage at a cost of **\$5,400.00** for the Elementary School and **\$16,500.00** for the Jr. – Sr. High School, as recommended by the Superintendent.
8. Resolved that the Board approve the **External Auditors Annual Report**, submitted by Teal, Becker and Chiaramonte CPAs, P.C., as recommended by the Superintendent.

9. Resolved that the Board approve the **Instruction Contract with the Menands Union Free School District** for the 2008 – 2009 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.
10. Resolved that the Board approve the **Consulting Agreement with Needham Risk Management** for the 2008 – 2009 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.
11. Resolved that the Board approve the **transfer** of **Michaeleen Backus** from the position of **Elementary Teacher** to the position of **Literacy Coach**, remaining in the Elementary Teacher tenure area, at a Step IV salary of \$37,281.00, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, at **Watervliet Elementary School**, effective November 17, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
12. Resolved that the Board approve the **resignation** of **Angela M. Petronio** from the position of **Elementary Teacher** at **Watervliet Elementary School** effective November 17, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
13. Resolved that the Board approve the **resignation** of **Kristin LaClaire** from the position of **Teacher Assistant** at **Watervliet Elementary School** effective November 6, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
14. Resolved that the Board approve the **transfer** of **Eileen Reinfurt** from the position of **Cafeteria Monitor** at **Watervliet Elementary School** to the position of **Teacher Assistant, Attendance Office** at the **Watervliet Junior-Senior High School**, beginning November 10, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$7.15, as recommended by the Superintendent.
15. Resolved that the Board approve the **maternity leave** request for **Tracy Coffey**, effective October 27, 2008 through January 30, 2009, to return on February 2, 2009, as recommended by the Superintendent.
16. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Kristyn Brozowski** to the position of **Elementary Teacher** at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for a probationary period beginning November 4, 2008 and ending November 4, 2011, at a Step I salary of \$35,373, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.
17. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Sara Heidelmark** to the position of **Special Education Teacher, Grades 4-6, Self-Contained**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for a probationary period beginning November 18, 2008 and ending November 18, 2011, at a Step 1 salary of \$35,373, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

18. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Kristin LaClaire** to the position of **Special Education Teacher** at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for a probationary period beginning November 6, 2008 and ending November 6, 2011, at a Step I salary of \$35,373, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.
19. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Ashleigh Rozell** to the position of **Substitute Living Environment Teacher** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, beginning October 27, 2008 and ending January 30, 2009 at a per diem rate of \$170 (with benefits), as recommended by the Superintendent.
20. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Erin Manning** to the permanent position of **Clerk Typist** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, at an annual salary of \$21,000, as recommended by the Superintendent.
21. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Marcie Wilson** to the permanent position of **Clerk Typist** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, at an annual salary of \$21,000, as recommended by the Superintendent.
22. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Jeremy Smith** to the position of **Assistant Football Coach** for the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School Varsity Football Team**, during the 2008 – 2009 football season, at a salary of \$3,220.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.
23. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **April Rogers** to the position of **Cafeteria Monitor** at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, beginning November 19, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$7.15, as recommended by the Superintendent.
24. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Jacquelyn Chiera** to the position of **Home Tutor** for the **Watervliet City School District**, beginning November 18, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$25.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.
25. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Cristi Green** to the position of **Home Tutor** for the **Watervliet City School District**, beginning November 18, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$25.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.
26. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Helen Krause** to the position of **Home Tutor** for the **Watervliet City School District**, beginning November 18, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$25.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.
27. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of **Bonnie Robinson** to the position of **Home Tutor** for the **Watervliet City School District**, beginning November 18, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$25.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.

28. Resolved that the Board approve the **appointment** of the following volunteers for the winter season, as recommended by the Superintendent:

**Wrestling**

- Jefferson LaMountain
- Jeremy Eveleth
- Dennis Walsh

**Cheerleading**

- Megan Sandoval

**Boys' Varsity Basketball**

- Brian Eastman (scout)
- Scott O'Reilly (scout)

**Girls' Basketball**

- Dave Cady (scout)
- Mark Cady (scout)
- Ron Bedouin (scout)
- Khalan Heid (scout)
- Amy Sheridan (scout)
- Rich Tetrault (scout)

29. Recommend a motion that the Board awards the status of **tenure**, in the area of **Mathematics**, to **Camelia Sofrone**, effective November 27, 2008, as recommended by the Superintendent.
30. Resolved that the Board approve the **home schooling** request of Matthew and Deborah Tremblay for their son, Daniel Tremblay, Grade 7, as recommended by the Superintendent.
31. Resolved that the Board accepts with thanks the **donation** of **95 dictionaries** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students at the Watervliet Elementary School by **Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baniak**, representing the **Watervliet Elks**, as recommended by the Superintendent.
32. Resolved that the Board approve the **excision** and **disposal** of three broken **televisions**, as recommended by the Superintendent.
33. Resolved that the Board approve the **excision** and **disposal** of one **outdated computer and 12 monitors**, as recommended by the Superintendent.

34. Resolved that the Board approve the **excision and disposal** of the District's irreparable **1997 GM Pick-up Truck**, as recommended by the Superintendent.
35. Resolved that the Board approve the **excision and disposal** of approximately 50 **broken chairs** from computer labs 302 and 304 at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, as recommended by the Superintendent.
36. Resolved that Board of Education hereby accepts and agrees to the **Amendment to the Agreement between the Board of Education and the Superintendent**, dated November 17, 2008, and hereby authorizes the President of the Board, or the Vice President in her absence, to execute said Agreement on behalf of the District and to file same with the District Clerk.
37. Resolved that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts and approves the **compromise and settlement** with release of a claim made on behalf of a retired teacher with respect to certain **insurance premiums** as contained in the stipulation of settlement approved by counsel to the District, and further, authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute said Agreement on behalf of the District and to file same with the District Clerk and to thereafter, authorize the payment of sums due under the settlement Agreement.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**Tax Collection**

**VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

*NOTE: All district appointments are subject to fingerprint clearance by the NYS Education Department and verification of Permanent or Pending Certification by NYS.*