

Watervliet City School District
Watervliet, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

DATE: October 17, 2011

TYPE OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

MEETING OPENED: 6:20 P.M.

WHERE: Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President, Mark W. Scully
Vice President, Christine Chartrand
Jeffrey Clermont
Jennifer Donovan
Frank McGrouty

SUPERINTENDENT: Dr. Paul J. Padalino

STUDENT COUNCIL REP: Peta Evans

The meeting was opened at 6:20 P.M., with President Mark Scully officiating.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Lou Spsychalski, Watervliet Youth Football League – 187 Maxwell Road, Latham, NY 12110 – Apologized for the comments made by the announcer at the YFL game this past weekend and thanked the District for the use of the fields. Mr. Spsychalski accepted full responsibility for the timing issue and the situation that occurred as a result.

Ms. Michelle Foster – 1820 Avenue B, Watervliet, NY 12189 – Expressed disappointment that the YFL game was cut short because of the Powder Puff game, noting that this was the last game of the season for the 5-6 grade boys.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to be discussed.

BOARD STAFF AND STUDENT REPORTS

There were no staff or student reports.

ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the Board of Education Minutes for the meetings held **September 20, 2011**, submitted by Bernadette L. Boardman, Clerk of the Board, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Committee on Special Education's** recommendations for the meetings held **September 19, September 21, and September 22, 2011**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Committee on Pre-School Special Education's** recommendations for the meeting held **September 21, 2011**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CPSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Treasurer's Reports** for the month of **September, 2011**, submitted by Diane Malecki, School Business Administrator, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Substitute Registry** submitted by **BOCES**, as recommended by the Superintendent (packets #5, #6, #7, #8 and #9).

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Stipulation of Settlement** of the pending **tax certiorari proceedings** filed by **Golub Properties** of Watervliet, Inc./Price Chopper Operating Co., Inc., against the Assessor, the Board of Assessors and the Board of Assessment Review of the City of Watervliet, and the City of Watervliet for tax years 2009, 2010 and 2011 (Index Nos. 5990-09, 4785-10 and 5003-11), relative to tax parcel 32.59-4-18) which provides that the assessment for the subject property will be set by the City Assessor at \$1,300,000 for 2009, \$1,300,000 for 2010, and \$1,275,000 for 2011, authorize the School District's attorneys to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the following **Bid Results**, submitted by Diane Malecki, School Business Administrator, as recommended by the Superintendent:

DUPLICATING PAPER

CPG Contract Paper, Inc. \$26.79/case

Other Bids

Graphic Paper State Contract \$27.88/case

Superior Business Products \$34.95/case

W.B. Mason No bid received

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Concussion Management Plan and Procedures**, as outlined in the attached, effective October 18, 2011, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **termination** of **Jacquelyn Chiera** from the position of **Reading Teacher** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, due to her decision to decline an extension of her probationary period, effective November 18, 2011, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **resignation** of **Janel Dievendorf** from the position of **Teaching Assistant** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, effective October 7, 2011, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **resignation** of **Mark Snyder** from the position of **Editor** of **The Chronicle** newspaper at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School** effective October 18, 2011, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Jeffrey Bradway** to the position of **Teaching Assistant** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning October 3, 2011 and ending October 3, 2014, at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$9.50, plus Associate and Bachelor degree stipends, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Elizabeth Voltz** to the position of **Teaching Assistant** at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning October 11, 2011 and ending October 11, 2014, at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$9.50, plus Associate and Bachelor degree stipends, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Laura Abate** to the position of **ESL Teacher**, for the **Watervliet City School District**, for a probationary period beginning October 11, 2011 and ending October 11, 2014, at a Step 9 salary of \$46,698, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Michael Foster** to the position of **Substitute Bus Driver** for the **Watervliet City School District Transportation Department**, effective October 18, 2011, at an hourly rate of \$13.65, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Jessica Grogan** to the position of **Long-Term Substitute Elementary Teacher** at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, effective October 31, 2011, at a rate of \$170.00 per day, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of the following staff to the position of **After School AIS Instructor** at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for the remainder of the 2011 – 2012 school year, at a rate as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent:

- Corina Spain
- Laurel Gregware-Barrett
- Rachel Anderson
- Danielle Gorman
- Lauryn Lloyd
- Kim Tallmadge
- Amber Albanese
- Michele DeGuire
- Heidi Waldron
- Sharon Foglia
- Allison Reynolds

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the following **teaching coverage** for the 2011 – 2012 academic school year at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, as recommended by the Superintendent:

- Mark Snyder – 1.0

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of the following as teachers to the **NovaNet Program**, at a salary as per contract, for one hour per week, per position, for up to 40 weeks, as recommended by the Superintendent:

- Jhael Dragon, NovaNet Program Math Teacher
- Melissa DeGraw, NovaNet Program English Teacher
- James Murphy, NovaNet Program Social Studies Teacher
- Ashleigh Rozell, NovaNet Program Science Teacher

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Stephanie Randall** to the position of **After School Fitness Center Supervisor**, effective October 18, 2011 at an hourly rate of \$13.65 per hour, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Trevor Watson** (student) to the position of **Scoreboard/Shot Clock Operator** at home games, at a rate as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Jennifer Donovan, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **awarded** the status of **tenure** to the following **teachers**, effective **November, 2011**, as recommended by the Superintendent:

- Kristyn Brozowski Elementary Teacher
- Kristin LaClaire Elementary Special Education Teacher

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **excision** of **outdated textbooks** from the Reading/Universal Pre-Kindergarten office, as outlined in the attached, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Christine Chartrand, seconded by Jennifer Donovan and unanimously accepted, the Board **recognized** and **thanked Mr. and Mrs. H. Boehning** for their donation of **backpacks filled with school supplies** to students at the Watervliet Elementary School, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Christine Chartrand, seconded by Jennifer Donovan and unanimously accepted, the Board **recognized** and **thanked Ms. Wanda Winnie** and the **New York State Correctional Services Industries Program** for their donation of **backpacks filled with school supplies** to students at the Watervliet Elementary School, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Jeffrey Clermont and unanimously accepted, the Board **recognized** and **thanked Mrs. Beth Capitula** for her donation of **Notebooks** to students at the Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School, as recommended by the Superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Padalino noted that in the near future information will be posted on the web site about the dates and times of **Facilities Planning Committee** meetings.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Peta Evans noted that **student pictures** were taken on September 22 and are currently being distributed.

Miss Evans invited the Board to attend the **Talent Show** on November 3, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. O'Brien congratulated and thanked the teachers receiving tenure.

Mrs. Chartrand noted that the chicken barbeque and homecoming events were a success.

Dr. Caplan thanked the **staff** and **students** for the **success of recent events**, including the bonfire, chicken barbeque, homecoming, football games and powder puff game.

Dr. Padalino noted that he attended the **Apple Run** at the Elementary School and all of the children seemed to enjoy the event.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Jeffrey Clermont, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **adjourned** the meeting at 6:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bernadette L. Boardman
Clerk of the Board*

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