

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION

JANUARY 22, 2008

A Budget Development Meeting of the Board of Education of the Ichabod Crane Central School District was held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2008 in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Andrew Kramarchyk	Kevin Reis
William Murphy, MD (<i>arrived 7:25pm</i>)	Regina Rose
Andrew Pellettieri (<i>arrived 7:47pm</i>)	Anthony Welcome
John Phillips	

MEMBERS ABSENT

Landra Haber
William Martin

SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT

James P. Dexter, Superintendent, Maureen Van Deusen, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator, William Schneider, High School Principal, Brett Miller, Assistant High School Principal, Tim Farley, Middle School Principal, and Mindy Potts, District Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT:

Paul Thompson, Athletic Coordinator
Barb Ireland, Curriculum Liaison
Jen Rickert, Curriculum Liaison
Dave Valentine, Curriculum Liaison
Mike Behrens, High School Technology Chair
Karen Hummel, Art Department Chair
Kristen Mesick, Guidance Department Chair
Linda McCarthy, Math Department Chair
Connie Melone, English Department Chair
Barb Byrne, Science Department Chair
Dave Bulan, Music Department Chair

The Board President, John Phillips, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and announced the fire exits.

President Phillips informed the Board of the recent death of a sixth grade student, Loukas Gravlin, and of his mother, Malea Gravlin. Mr. Phillips also expressed his gratitude to the staff and administration that came in on their day off to help begin dealing with the aftermath of this tragedy.

President Phillips then conducted the Pledge of Allegiance and read the District Mission Statement:

"In our quest for excellence, the Ichabod Crane Central School District is dedicated to preparing all students to meet the challenges of our future and to appreciate the value of their own lives by nurturing each individual's unique talents, instilling a desire for life-long learning, and fostering a strong spirit of community."

MOTION WELCOME 2ND ROSE

To approve the present agenda as presented
Carried, 5-0

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Superintendent James Dexter noted the Athletics Budget Request reflected appropriations for football, however that would show up in the budget only if the appropriate amount of money was received by the April 1, 2008 deadline and therefore an offsetting revenue will match the appropriations.

Superintendent Dexter also noted the district had received the initial state aid figures for 2008-2009.

Superintendent Dexter thanked the Middle School staff for "being remarkable," adding that there were not enough positive words to say about them during a very difficult time.

MEETING OPEN FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON DEVELOPMENT
OF THE 2008-2009 BUDGET

No one asked to speak.

2008- 2009 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Tim Farley, Elementary Principal

- Middle School, Grades 6-8, Tim Farley, Principal
 - Barb Ireland, Curriculum Liaison: requests from the Middle School
 - Jen Rickert, Curriculum Liaison: discussed current staffing in the Middle School

Board member Andrew Pellettieri arrived at 7:47

HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATION

William Schneider, Principal & Brett Miller, HS Asst. Principal

- High School, Grades 9-12, Bill Schneider, Principal
Mr. Schneider reported every department across the board was using technology in the classrooms. Requests for increases in the budget reflect this use and the increasing use of digital technology at the college level and in the workplace.
 - Mike Behrens, District-Wide Business Technology Practical Arts Department Chair: requests for Technology Department at the High School and Proposed 5 year plan for upgrading equipment district-wide
 - Dave Bulan, District-Wide Music Chair: status of Music Department, and use of technology in music at the High School
 - Brett Miller, Assistant Principal: requests for High School Social Studies Department
 - Karen Hummel, District-Wide Art Department Chair: requests for High School Art Department
 - Connie Melone, English Department Chair: requests for English Department
 - Kristin Mesick, District-Wide Guidance Department Chair: requests from Guidance Department
 - Linda McCarthy, Math Chair: requests from Math Department
 - Barb Byrne, Science Chair: Science Department requests

The following motion was considered at 9:30PM

MOTION REIS 2ND WELCOME

To limit the Board comments in order to adjourn the meeting to executive session at 10:00PM to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law

KRAMARCHYK - YES	REIS - YES
MURPHY - YES	ROSE - YES
PELLETTIERI - ABSTAIN	WELCOME - YES
PHILLIPS - YES	

Carried, 6-0-1

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC PRESENTATION

Paul Thompson, Athletic Coordinator

- Interscholastic Athletic Program, Paul Thompson, Athletic Coordinator

BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No one asked to speak.

At 10:00 p.m., the Board adjourned to executive session.

President Phillips called for a motion to appoint a Clerk Pro Tem.

MOTION ROSE 2nd REIS

To appoint ANTHONY WELCOM as Clerk Pro Tem

KRAMARCHYK - YES REIS - YES

MURPHY - YES ROSE - YES

PELLETTIERI - YES WELCOME - NO

PHILLIPS - YES

Carried, 6-1

The meeting was reconvened at 10:40 p.m.

MOTION REIS 2ND PELLETTIERI

To adjourn the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

Carried, 7-0

ADDITIONAL JANUARY/FEBRUARY BUDGET DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

- 01/29/08 - 7PM - ICMS LIBRARY
- 02/12/08 - 7PM - ICMS LIBRARY
- 02/26/08 - BUDGET ROUND TABLE - 7PM - ICMS LIBRARY

DISTRIBUTIONS

- AVERAGE CLASS SIZE 6-8
- BASELINE BUDGET 6-8
- BUDGET REQUEST LOG
- Revised ELEMENTARY STAFF REPORT
- Revised PRIMARY STAFF REPORT

Anthony Welcome, Clerk Pro Tem

Mindy M. Potts, District Clerk