

# ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

## MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION

APRIL 21, 2009

A special meeting of the Ichabod Crane Board of Education was held on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Library.

All Board Members Present:

Gary Bagnato	Thomas Neufeld
Landra Haber	John Phillips
Edward Harsen	Regina Rose
Andrew Kramarchyk <i>(arrived 7:17pm)</i>	Anthony Welcome

School Officials Present:

James P. Dexter, Superintendent, Maureen VanDeusen, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Greg Giammarco, Business Administrator

Board President John Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Board President John Phillips announced the fire exits and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Member Regina Rose 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 HABER 2<sup>ND</sup> WELCOME

To approve the agenda as presented.

Carried, 7-0

### Meeting Open For Public Participation

No one requested to address the Board.

Board President, John Phillips asked if there were any questions on the distribution regarding Cost per Student.

### Superintendent's Report – Administrator's Comments

Superintendent James P. Dexter reported on the following:

- 22 component school districts meet tonight to vote on administrative and vote on Questar III Board members
- Fiscal data includes cost per pupil for general education students
- Information on analysis of population of Columbia County available soon
- Meeting with the Stuyvesant Town Board went well
- Update on Board Candidates

Discussion Action ItemsMOTION HABER 2<sup>ND</sup> BAGNATO

To approve the 2008-2009 Tentative Administrative Budget for the QUESTAR III Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties, in the amount of \$3,827,613.

Carried, 7-0

Board Member Andrew Kramarchyk arrived at 7:17 p.m.

QUESTAR BOARD CANDIDATES

To approve, as follows, the casting of votes by the Board of Education for candidates nominated for (3) three vacant positions on the QUESTAR III Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties, for three-year terms, July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012. Nominations are as follows:

MOTION HABER 2<sup>ND</sup> WELCOME

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Erin Loffredo, Averill Park, NY (from the Averill Park Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

Carried, 8-0

MOTION HARSEN 2<sup>ND</sup> BAGNATO

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mr. Paul Puccio, Castleton, NY (from the Schodack Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

Carried, 8-0

MOTION KRAMARCHYK 2<sup>ND</sup> HABER

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Edna Knabbe, Ghent, NY (from the Chatham Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

Carried, 8-0

Board Open Discussion

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Landra Haber's decision not to run for re-election
- Football Program
- Free Dental Cleaning offered to Ichabod Crane students
- Timeline for results of Dr. Seversky's report on projected district statistics
- Board Members participation in graduation
- Vote day on May 19<sup>th</sup> and the Voter Exit Poll

Public Participation – Agenda Items Only

Members of the public commented on the following topics:

- Graduation
- Solar Panel installation
- Columbia County Newspaper

Adjournment

MOTION HABER 2<sup>ND</sup> ROSE

To adjourn the meeting at 8:10

Carried, 8-0

Meetings

05/05 (Tue) - Regular Board Meeting – 7PM

05/12 (Tue) – Budget Hearing – 7PM

Committee Meeting Dates:

04/22 (Wed) – 5PM – Audit Committee - CO

04/28 (Tue) – 6PM – Communication Committee with Public Information Session  
Middle School Library

05/06 (Wed) – 5PM – Policy Committee – CO

05/07 (Thu) – 5:30PM – Facilities Committee –CO

OUTLINE OF IMPORTANT DATES

<b>APRIL 27, 2009 (MON)</b>	<b>VOTER REGISTRATION DATE (3-7pm) Held in Central Office</b>
<b>MAY 7, 2009 (THU)</b>	<b>VOTER REGISTRATION DATE (3-7pm) Held in Central Office</b>
<b>MAY 5, 2009 (TUE)</b>	<b>POSTING OF SCHOOL BUDGET DOCUMENTS (14 Days Prior to Annual Vote)</b>
<b>MAY 12, 2009 (TUE)</b>	<b>BUDGET HEARING – 7PM BOE Candidates Introduced</b>
<b>MAY 19, 2009 (TUE)</b>	<b>ANNUAL MEETING: BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION HS Gymnasium 8AM-9PM</b>

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Mindy M. Potts, District Clerk