

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION

APRIL 22, 2008

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

Members present:

Landra Haber

Andrew Kramarchyk

William Murphy, MD *(arrived 7:17 pm)*

Andrew Pellettieri *(arrived 7:35 pm)*

John Phillips

Kevin Reis

Regina Rose

Anthony Welcome

Members absent:

William Martin

School Officials Present:

James P. Dexter, Superintendent

Maureen Van Deusen, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator

Mindy Potts, District Clerk

Board President, John Phillips, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

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

Board Member, Kevin Reis 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."

Board President John Phillips made the following announcements:

- **Anticipated need for a 2nd June BOE meeting on June 17, 2008**
- **Former Board President, Bill Neander, donated memorabilia to the school**

MOTION HABER 2ND ROSE

To approve the present agenda

Carried, 6-0

MEETING OPEN FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one asked to speak.

MOTION REIS 2ND ROSE

To approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- 03/04/08 – Regular Board Meeting
- 03/18/08 – Budget Development Meeting
- 03/25/08 – Budget Roundtable

HABER - YES	REIS - YES
KRAMARCHYK - YES	ROSE - YES
PHILLIPS - YES	WELCOME - ABSTAIN

Carried, 5-0-1

Board Member, William Murphy, MD arrived at 7:15 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – ADMINISTRATOR’S COMMENTS

Superintendent James Dexter reported on the following topics:

- Ichabod Crane School District has achieved Energy Star Status for the second year in a row. It is the only district in NYS to reach this status.
- Senator Saland allocated Bullet aid in the amount of \$104,000 for Ichabod Crane
- The maintenance department was busy over vacation week working on many projects including: installing new carpet in MS Library and installing swings at Martin Van Buren
- Attendance and Strategic Planning/Academics meetings
 - Board Member, William Murphy, MD reported briefly on the Attendance Committee meeting which completed its scheduled two meetings on April 21, 2008
- Teacher webpages have been posted on the district website
- Initial planning for potential field dedication

Board Member Andrew Pelletieri arrived at the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

MOTION KRAMARCHYK 2ND HABER

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.

HABER - YES	PHILLIPS - YES
KRAMARCHYK - YES	REIS - YES
MURPHY - YES	ROSE - YES
PELLETTIERI -NO	WELCOME -YES

Carried, 7-1

QUESTAR BOARD CANDIDATES

To approve, as follows, the casting of votes by the Board of Education for candidates nominated for (4) four vacant positions on the QUESTAR III Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties, for three-year terms, July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011. Nominations are as follows:

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, casts its vote for the election of election of Mr. John Hill, Valley Falls, NY *(from the Hoosic Valley Central School District)*

YES 8 NO 0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, casts its vote for the election of Mr. Joseph Garland, Coxsackie, NY *(from the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District)*

YES 8 NO 0

MOTION HABER 2ND WELCOME

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Marilyn Noonan, Catskill, NY *(from the Catskill Central School District)*

YES 8 NO 0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, casts its vote for the election of of Mr. James W. Keegan, Claverack, NY *(from the Hudson City School District)*

YES 8 NO 0

BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Earth Day
- Date to turn in petitions
- High school guidance, AP Courses and Senior Seminar
- Natures Helper, Peer Mentoring
- Potential Fall BOE Retreat

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No one asked to speak.

MOTION MURPHY 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Carried, 8-0

MEETINGS

05/06 (Tue) - Regular Board Meeting – 7PM

COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:

04/29 (Tue) – 6:30PM – Communication Committee

04/30 (Wed) – 6-8PM – Strategic Planning/ Academics

05/14 (Wed) – 5PM – Policy Committee

05/21 (Wed) – 5PM – Parent Involvement Policy Committee

OUTLINE OF IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL 28, 2008 (MON)	VOTER REGISTRATION DATE (3-7pm) Held in Central Office
May 5, 2008 (MON)	VOTER REGISTRATION DATE (3-7pm) Held in Central Office
MAY 6, 2008 (TUE)	POSTING OF SCHOOL BUDGET DOCUMENTS (14 Days Prior to Annual Vote)
MAY 13, 2008 (TUE)	ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING (7pm) Held in Middle School Library
MAY 20, 2008 (TUE)	ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE & BOARD MEMBER ELECTION (8am-9pm) Held in the High School Gymnasium

Mindy M. Potts, District Clerk