

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
VALATIE, NEW YORK 12184  
MINUTES

Board of Education

MAY 11, 2010

The ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING of the Ichabod Crane Central School Board of Education was held on TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2010, at the Ichabod Crane Middle School, Valatie, New York at 7:00 p.m.

All Board Members Present:

John Antalek	Gary Bagnato	Edward Harsen
Andrew Kramarchyk	Bruce Naramore	Thomas Neufeld
John Phillips	Regina Rose	Anthony Welcome

School Officials Present:

James P. Dexter, Superintendent, Maureen Van Deusen, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator, William Schneider, High School Principal, John Stickles, Elementary School Principal, and Mindy Potts, District Clerk

Others Present:

Administrative Intern, Craig Shull

Board President John Phillips called the hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Board Member Bruce Naramore 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."*

Meeting Open For Public Discussion On Budget Topics Only

No one from the public addressed the Board

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

To dispense with reading of budget hearing notice which was available for inspection with the District Clerk

Carried, 9-0

Announcements By Chairman

Chairman William Schneider announced the time and place for voting as follows:

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2010

8:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

Chairman Schneider read the Qualification of Voters as follows:

1. A citizen of the United States
2. 18 years of age or older
3. A resident of the Ichabod Crane School District for at least thirty (30) days prior to the election
4. Voter registration is required for all residents of the district.

Chairman Schneider read the names of the Election Officials as follows:

CHAIRMAN: William Schneider MACHINE INSPECTOR: Paul Butcher

(6) INSPECTORS: (At Machines)

Arlene Oldrich	Maureen Bonacker
Dale Hallenbeck	Peggy Butcher (Chief Inspector)
Bev Hamecher	Shirley McThenia

Alternates: Rebecca Fingar, Mary Geiger, Tamara Proniske, Mary Sager, Mindy Potts

(10) ASSISTANT CLERKS: (At Voter Registration Tables)

Mary Geiger	Mena Mazure
Mary Kay Pawlows	Irene Buell
Marilyn Ryan	Mary Alice Slocum
Phyllis Shafer	Mary Sager
Terry Scarano	

Alternates: Tamara Proniske and Mindy Potts

Chairman Schneider announced there are 3 seats to be filled on the Board of Education. The terms of John Antalek, Regina Rose and Anthony Welcome will expire on June 30, 2010. The District Clerk has received petitions from the following for nomination to the Board of Education:

- Anthony Welcome
- John Antalek
- Regina Rose

Chairman Schneider presented the following Propositions:

PROPOSITION #1

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, Columbia and Rensselaer Counties, New York be authorized to expend the total amount of \$37,738,582 during the school year 2010-2011 and to levy the necessary tax therefor?

## PROPOSITION #2

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, Columbia and Rensselaer Counties, New York be authorized to acquire to acquire four (4) SCHOOL BUSES at a maximum aggregate cost of \$428,000, and providing that such sum (and the interest thereon) be raised by a tax levy to be collected in annual installments, with District obligations to be issued in anticipation thereof?

Presentation of 2010-2011 School Budget Proposal (Prop #1)

James Dexter, Superintendent, Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator

Business Administrator Gregory Giammarco explained the budget was a one-year financial plan and reviewed the process for developing the 2009-2010 budget which included input from administrators, teachers, staff and tax payers at a number of meetings which were over the course of many months.

Superintendent James P. Dexter explained a series of charts which compares this district's budget and cost per pupil to neighboring districts.

Presentation of 2010-2011 School Bus Proposal (Prop #2)

James Dexter, Superintendent, Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator

Business Administrator Gregory Giammarco explained the Bus Purchase Proposal was to replace four 72-passenger buses which were aging-out due to body condition. The vehicle replacement plan originally plans for replacement of every 10 years, the life expectancy of buses in this region, however, the vehicles due to be replaced are an average of 12.5 years old.

The following documents were available for public inspection:

- 2010-2011 GENERAL FUND BUDGET DOCUMENT WHICH INCLUDES:
  - APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET
  - REVENUE BUDGET
  - COMPLETE BUDGET SUMMARY
  - THREE COMPONENT BUDGET (ADMIN/PROGRAM/CAPITAL)
  - PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD
  - SALARY DISCLOSURE INFORMATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT
  - SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT CARD
  
- 2008-2009 AUDIT REPORT

The budget hearing was declared closed at 7:11 p.m.

Executive Session

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

To adjourn to Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. to discuss employment agreements for individuals not covered under collective bargaining agreements

Carried, 9-0

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

To appoint Anthony Welcome as Clerk Pro Tem

ANTALEK - YES	KRAMARCHYK- YES	PHILLIPS- YES
BAGNATO - YES	NARAMORE- YES	ROSE- YES
HARSEN - YES	NEUFELD- YES	WELCOME- NO

Carried, 8-1

The District Clerk left the meeting.

Others present at Executive Session:

Dr. James Baldwin, Questar III

Board members Regina Rose and Andrew Kramarchyk arrived in Executive Session at 7:22 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:10 pm.

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

To adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Carried, 9-0

**X**

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Anthony Welcome  
Clerk Pro Tem

**X**

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Mindy M. Potts  
District Clerk