

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION

JUNE 16, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Ichabod Crane Central School was held on TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009 in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m.

All Board members present:

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| John Antalek | Andrew Kramarchyk | John Phillips |
| Gary Bagnato | Bruce Naramore | Regina Rose |
| Landra Haber | Thomas Neufeld | Anthony Welcome |

School Officials present:

James P. Dexter, Superintendent, Maureen Van Deusen, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator, John Stickles, Elementary School Principal, Juan González, IT Coordinator, Paul Thompson, Athletic Director and Mindy Potts, District Clerk

Others present:

Edward Harsen, Matt Ward, Anne Fleming, Amanda DeAloe

Board President John Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and announced the fire exits and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board member, Landra Haber 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 Member, Landra Haber was recognized for her dedication and service.

Board President made the following announcements:

- Tuesday, July 7, 2009 is the Organizational Meeting
- Board has reached a tentative agreement with the ICC Administrators Association
- Compiled results of the Anonymous Voter Exit Survey are available

District Clerk, Mindy Potts, administered and filed the oath of office for newly elected Board member, Thomas Neufeld.

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To approve the agenda with additions and modifications as presented including moving Consent Agenda item 10(L) to Discussion Action 11(F)

Carried, 9-0

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MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To approve the minutes of the following meeting with correction as discussed

06/09/09 – Special Board Meeting

ANTALEK - YES

KRAMARCHYK - YES

PHILLIPS - YES

BAGNATO - YES

NARAMORE - YES

ROSE - YES

HABER - YES

NEUFELD - ABSTAIN

WELCOME - YES

Carried, 8-0-1

Meeting Open For Public Participation

No one from the public wished to address the Board.

Reports/Presentations/Updates

Summer Cash Flow Report

Business Administrator, Gregory Giammarco discussed:

- Construction spending (Phase 2 of the Capital Project)
- Transfers for the Board's consideration on the agenda
- Summer Cash Flow

Cheerleading Proposal

Paul Thompson, Athletic Director and Amanda DeAloe, Cheerleading advisor discussed the proposed changes to the cheerleading program.

Committee Meetings

Audit Committee

Board Member, Gary Bagnato reported and answered questions regarding the Audit Committee meeting of June 8, 2009.

Policy Committee

Board Member, Anthony Welcome reported on the policies listed on the agenda as having their first reading.

Reading of Policies:

- # 2160 School Board Officer Ethics (*revised*)
1st Reading: June 16, 2009
- # 2210 Board Organizational Meeting (*revised*)
1st Reading: June 16, 2009
- #4321.14 Special Education Personnel (*new*)
1st Reading: June 16, 2009
- #1740 Relations with Non-Public Schools (*revised*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #1741 Relations with Homeschool (*revised*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #5650 & #5650R Students with Life Threatening (Anaphylactic) Allergies & Regulation (*new*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #4321.7 District-Wide and State-Wide Assessments of Students with Disabilities (*new*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009

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- #4321.2 School-Wide Pre-Referral Approaches and Interventions (*new*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #4321.11 – Public Report on Revisions to District Policies, Practices and Procedures (*new*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #2110 School Board Powers and Duties (*revised*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #2111 Board Member Authority (*revised*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009
- #2120 School Board Member Elections (*delete*)
2nd Reading: June 16, 2009

Adoption of the following policies under Consent Agenda:

- # 2220 Board Officers (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- # 4321.3 Independent Educational Evaluation (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- # 9620 Child Abuse in the Educational Setting (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- # 9500 Fingerprinting (*new*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- #5305A Extracurricular Eligibility Policy – Middle School
3rd Reading June 16, 2009

President John Phillips noted all policies listed on the agenda considered to have a “reading” and the adoption of policies listed as having a third reading will be voted on under the Consent Agenda.

Superintendent’s Report – Administrator’s Comments

Superintendent James P. Dexter reported on the following items:

- Compilation of responses to the Anonymous Voter Exit Survey
- Continued discussions with Schodack school district on shared services
- Update on enrollment report from Dr. Seversky
- 2009 Edition of the Inheritances, book created by HS ESOL and Art Students

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To approve the following items contained under the Consent Agenda:

10(A) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept CPSE and/or CSE Recommendations for 2009-2010 school year as follows:
Meeting Date(s) of: 06/09/09, 06/11/09, 06/15/09

10(B) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve, upon the recommendation of James P. Dexter, Superintendent, Substitute Teaching and Non-Teaching Substitute Addendum, conditionally, pending SED safety clearance for the 2009-2010 school year

10(C) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, DISTRICT-WIDE DEPARTMENT CHAIRS, CURRICULUM LIASONS, TEAM LEADERS & GRADE LEVEL APPOINTMENTS for the 2009-2010 school year per the annexed listing

10(D) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, EXTRA-CLASS ADVISORS AND ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS for the 2009-2010 school year per the annexed listing

10(E) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, INTERSCHOLASTIC COACHES APPOINTMENTS for the 2009-2010 school year per the annexed listing

10(F) CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL

To establish, in accordance with the provision under Article 3 of the Ichabod CSEA Contract, Summer Hours for Clerical Staff as 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., effective July 1, 2009 through August 31, 2009 and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to approve summer hours for the confidential staff in Central Office from July 1, 2009 through August 31, 2009

10(G) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept the resignation of MICHAEL CIOFFI, Bus Driver, effective June 9, 2009

10(H) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept the resignation of JUDITH HILL, Bus Driver, effective June 10, 2009

10(I) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, SUMMER SCHOOL PERSONNEL for the 2009 Summer School Program, as follows:

| SUMMER SCHOOL PERSONNEL | SUBJECT |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| BARFORD, JEAN | ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT |
| WILARY, JOHN | MATHEMATICS |
| ZORZI, KIM | MATHEMATICS |
| KNIGHT, LINDA | MATHEMATICS |
| DONOVAN, CHELSEA | ELA 8 ENGLISH |
| SULLIVAN, JODI | HS ENGLISH |
| ROSE, ROBERTA | SPECIAL ED CONSULTANT |
| TWO-AXE, JENNIFER | LIBRARIAN |
| WALDMAN, ERNIE | SOCIAL STUDIES |
| FERGUSON, TIM | SOCIAL STUDIES |
| SANGER, PATRICK | SOCIAL STUDIES |
| COUSINEAU, ELIZABETH | EARTH SCIENCE |
| STEWART, TIM | PHYSICAL EDUCATION |
| ILENE WEINSTEIN | DRIVER EDUCATION |
| LINDA RENKEN | DRIVER EDUCATION |

With such appointments to take effect if there is sufficient enrollment to offer the courses of study to which a teacher is appointed

10(J) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, STUDENT TEACHERS/INTERNS for the period of time listed as follows:

| NAME | ASSIGNMENT | DATES |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Travis Johnson | Berit Allard | 9/8/09 – 10/23/09 |
| Bryan Rankie | Barbara Ireland | 9/8/09 – 10/23/09 |
| Lindsay Meyers | Elisabeth Milot | 9/8/09 – 10/23/09 |
| Bobbi-Jean Bennett | Catrina Wilson | 9/8/09 – 10/23/09 |

10(K) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, JASON NICHOLS as a SEASONAL IT SUPPORT, with remuneration of \$11/hour, (*conditionally, pending SED safety clearance*), effective June 15, 2009 through September 11, 2009

10(L) moved to discussion action item 11(F)

10(M) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint upon the recommendation of James P. Dexter, Superintendent, SAMANTHA KRUEGER to the probationary position of PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE in the tenure area of SPECIAL SUBJECT: GENERAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (K-12) for a period of one year, to commence on September 1, 2009 and to expire on June 30, 2010

10(N) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint upon the recommendation of James P. Dexter, Superintendent, CHRISTINA LATTER to the position of PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR in the tenure area of Elementary (K-6) for a probationary period of three years, to commence on September 1, 2009 and to expire on August 31, 2012

10(O) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint upon the recommendation of James P. Dexter, Superintendent, MARK CALUNEO as a TEMPORARY MAINTENANCE MECHANIC for the period June 17, 2009 through April 16, 2010 with compensation as follows:

- Hourly wage at \$13.50 per hour;
- District will pay 85% of the premium of health insurance PPO 812 with 3 tier drug card, 1 copay for 90 day supply;
- Paid holidays as follows: Labor day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day;
- Empire Dental with district share to be zero percent individual or family and the employees share to be 100%, individual or family, subject to the rules of the plan;
- Three days paid leave after ninety days.

10(P) CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION

To adopt the following policy pursuant to Board Policy #2410 –
Formulation, Adoption and Amendment of Policies:

- # 2220 Board Officers (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- # 4321.3 Independent Educational Evaluation (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- # 9620 Child Abuse in the Educational Setting (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- # 9500 Fingerprinting (*new*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009
- #5305A Extracurricular Eligibility Policy – Middle School (*revised*)
3rd Reading June 16, 2009

10(Q) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL & AUTHORIZATION

To approve a 2008-2009 Health Services Contract in accordance with Education Law Section 912, with the ALBANY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT for 22 students attending a private schools within the district in the amount of \$14,417.70 and to authorize the president of the Board to execute the contract.

10(R) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept the High School and Middle School Extra-classroom Activity Fund Report as of the following date:

AS OF 4/30/09

Account Balance: \$99,978.71

10(T) AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT TO SIGN

To authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute the following document:

- Memorandum of Agreement- Remuneration for the Grading of the New York State Geometry Regents' Exam

10(U) AUTHORIZATION FOR PRESIDENT TO SIGN

To authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the following documents:

- Contract with Story Place Preschool
- Contracts Summer 2009 Center for Disability Services for five students
- Bond Anticipation Notes

10(V) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, the INVITATIONS STAFF for the 2009 Summer Program as follows:

| INVITATIONS STAFF | |
|--|--------------------|
| LUCKFIELD, NICOLE | TEACHER |
| RIVERO, DEBRA | TEACHER |
| CALDWELL, SHAUNA | TEACHER |
| LISA REIS | TEACHER |
| ABATTO, KARA | TEACHER |
| GORKE, MARYANN | TEACHER |
| EASTMAN, JAIME | TEACHER |
| WELCOME, JENNIFER | TEACHER |
| ANGELA JAHODA | TEACHER SUBSTITUTE |
| KAREN MAHAR | TEACHER SUBSTITUTE |
| MEGANN RICE | TEACHER SUBSTITUTE |
| CHRISTINE COX | TEACHER SUBSTITUTE |
| TERESA KIRKER | TEACHER SUBSTITUTE |
| MICHELLE WEBB | TEACHING ASSISTANT |
| WUCHTE, MARIA <i>Note: Will work 4-1/2 hrs/day)</i> | TEACHING ASSISTANT |
| SCHERMERHORN, LEIGHANN | TA SUBSTITUTE |
| MAHAR, KAREN | TA SUBSTITUTE |
| MEGANN RICE | TA SUBSTITUTE |
| KATHRYN BABENDRIER | TA SUBSTITUTE |
| MARGARET BORTUGNO | TA SUBSTITUTE |
| FUNK, SANDRA | TA SUBSTITUTE |
| LAURIE ALTOMER | TA SUBSTITUTE |

10(W) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE, APPOINTMENT AND APPROVAL

To accept a grant from the Columbia County Health Care Consortium (Kids in Motion Grant) in the amount of \$3,200.00 for the purpose of administering a summer dance club from the period of on or about June 29, 2009 to on or about September 30, 2009 (generally, three days per week), and to appoint Chris Soulia to coordinate the program and to approve the following stipends to be paid from grant funds: Chris Soulia \$1628.42, Katherine Snyder, \$180.94

10(X) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve a transportation lease agreement request submitted by the Town of Kinderhook for use of two (2) school buses for the Summer Recreation Program from July 7, 2009 through August 21, 2009

End Consent Agenda
Carried, 9-0

Discussion Action

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To approve and authorize expending district funds associated with the attendance of Board Members at the following NYSSBA Workshops:

- 15th Annual Summer Law Conference – Albany – July 17, 2009:
Regina Rose and Tom Neufeld
- New Board Member Academy – Latham – September 11-12, 2009:
Bruce Naramore and John Antalek

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND WELCOME

To create the position of Varsity, assistant cheerleading advisor with a stipend of \$1,309 per year, and to abolish the position of J.V. Cheerleading Advisor (*2009-10 stipend for JV advisor was to be \$1,309*)

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

Whereas the Board of Education authorized the creation of a capital reserve fund on May 21, 1991, and subsequently authorized a transfer of up to \$150,000 from the district's repair reserve fund to the Capital Reserve Fund, and;

Whereas, a balance remains in the capital reserve, and;

Whereas, said balance is not designated for a particular capital project;

Now Therefore, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to transfer the remaining balance of \$4,973.80 from the Capital reserve back to the repair reserve, and to close the capital reserve account

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the transfer of \$100,710, to the Tax Certiorari Reserve from the undesignated fund balance as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the transfer of \$84,050, to the Unemployment Reserve from the undesignated fund balance as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education establish a Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (ERS Reserve) pursuant to General Municipal Law, Section 6-r, and to approve the transfer of \$75,228 from the undesignated fund balance, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To approve and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to make the budget transfers per the attached listing

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To approve, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, 2009 Seasonal Maintenance Staff, (*conditionally, pending SED safety clearance*), per attached listing

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| ANTALEK - YES | KRAMARCHYK - ABSTAIN | PHILLIPS - YES |
| BAGNATO - YES | NARAMORE - YES | ROSE - YES |
| HABER - YES | NEUFELD - YES | WELCOME - YES |

Carried, 8-0-1

Discussion Items

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Committee Assignments 2009-2010 School Year
- Interest in attending the NYSSBA Conference in NYC

Board Open Discussion

The Board had no other topics to discuss.

Public Participation – Agenda Items Only

No one from the public wished to address the Board.

Executive Session

MOTION HABER 2ND ROSE

To adjourn to Executive Session at 9:58p.m. to discuss the employment history of particular individuals and to discuss negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law

Carried, 9-0

MOTION HABER 2ND NEUFELD

To appoint Anthony Welcome as Clerk Pro Tem

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| ANTALEK - YES | KRAMARCHYK - YES | PHILLIPS - YES |
| BAGNATO - YES | NARAMORE - YES | ROSE - YES |
| HABER - YES | NEUFELD - YES | WELCOME - NO |

Carried, 8-0-1

Others present at Executive Session:

James P. Dexter, Superintendent

Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator (*left at 10:45pm*)

Maureen Van Deusen, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction (*left at 10:45pm*)

Edward Harsen

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The meeting was reconvened at 11:40 p.m.

MOTION BAGNATO 2ND KRAMARCHYK

To adjourn the meeting at 11:41 p.m.

Carried, 9-0

Meetings:

07/07/09 - (Tue) - Organizational Meeting- 7 p.m. - ICMS Library

Committee Meetings:

07/21 (Tues) Policy Committee - 3:00PM - Central Office

08/10 (Mon) Audit Committee - 5:00PM - Central Office

Reminder:

06/24/09 - (Wed) - Baccalaureate 7:30 pm - St. Lukes in Valatie

06/25/09 - (Thu) - End of School Year Staff Gathering - 8 am - HS Auditorium

06/26/09 - (Fri) - High School Graduation Ceremony - 7 pm - Main Athletic Field

Anthony Welcome, Clerk Pro Tem

Mindy M. Potts, District Clerk