

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
VALATIE, NEW YORK 12184

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

July 11, 2006

The Annual Organization of the Board of Education of the Ichabod Crane Central School was held on JULY 11, 2006 in the Middle School Library at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Gary Bagnato	Andrew Pellettieri
Andrew Kramarchyk	John Phillips
William Martin	Kevin Reis

MEMBERS ABSENT

Landra Haber  
Edward Helfer  
William Murphy, MD

SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT

James P. Dexter, Superintendent, Karen McGraw, Assistant Superintendent, Gregory Giammarco, Business Administrator, William Schneider, High School Principal, Maureen Van Deusen, Middle School Principal, John Stickle, Acting Elementary School Principal, Melissa Murray, Primary School Principal, Robert McCloskey, Special Education Director, Steve Marotta, Director of Facilities, Todd DiGrigoli, Food Service Director, Sherrill Phillips, Transportation Supervisor, Juan González, and Tamara Proniske, District Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT

Dave Leavitt, QUESTAR

Temporary Chairman, James Dexter, called the meeting to order, announced the fire exits, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and read the Mission Statement as follows: *"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."*

The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected board members Andrew Pellettieri and Kevin Reis. Landra Haber, also elected in May, was absent. She will be administered the Oath of Office at a later date.

James Dexter, Superintendent, welcomed the new Board Members.

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

To approve the Organizational Meeting as prepared.  
Carried, 6-0

James Dexter called for the nominations for the office of President.

Kevin Reis nominated GARY BAGNATO for the Office of President.

James Dexter asked if there were any other nominations for President.

Hearing no further nominations, James Dexter directed nominations be closed and called for the vote to be conducted by a show of hands.

Six (6) affirmative votes were cast for GARY BAGNATO who was elected to the office of President for the 2006-2007 school year.

The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board President.

President Bagnato called for the nomination for the office of Vice-President.

William Martin nominated JOHN PHILLIPS for the office of Vice-President.

Hearing no further nominations for Vice-President, President Bagnato directed nominations be closed and called for the vote to be conducted by a show of hands.

Six (6) affirmative votes were cast for JOHN PHILLIPS who was elected to the office of Vice-President for the 2006-2007 school year.

The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Vice-President and to the Superintendent of Schools

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

To approve the following motions contained under the Consent Agenda:

1. APPOINTMENTS – OFFICERS AND OTHERS - ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

*All appointments to be in effect until the time of the 2007-2008 Organizational Meeting, or until a successor is appointed (whichever occurs first).*

TITLE	INDIVIDUAL OR FIRM	STIPEND
DISTRICT CLERK	TAMARA PRONISKE	NONE
TREASURER	WILHELMENA MAZURE	NONE
DEPUTY TREASURER	GREGORY GIAMMARCO	NONE
RECEIVER OF TAXES	N'TL UNION BANK OF KINDERHOOK	\$1.00/Tax Bill
TAX LIAISON	THERESA SCARANO	\$2,525
CLAIMS AUDITOR	SHIRLEY McTHENIA	\$1,500
SCHOOL ATTORNEY	ROEMER WALLENS & MINEAUX, LLP	PER CONTRACT
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR	WEST & CO. (WASHBURN ELLINGWOOD SHEELER THAISZ & PINSLEY)	PER CONTRACT
BOND COUNSEL	HISCOCK & BARCLAY	PER AGREEMENT
TAX CERTIORARI COUNSEL	SEGAL,MAZZATA,GOLDMAN,SIEGEL	PER AGREEMENT
HIPAA PRIVACY OFFICIAL	GREGORY GIAMMARCO	NONE
RECORDS ACCESS OFFICER	TAMARA PRONISKE	NONE
RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER	TAMARA PRONISKE	NONE
ASBESTOS LEA DESIGNEE	STEVE MAROTTA	NONE
PURCHASING OFFICIAL	THERESA SCARANO	\$2,450

2. TO APPOINT THE ICHABOD CRANE MEDICAL BOARD FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR AS FOLLOWS:

School Physicians:

Neal Baillargeon, MD (Chairman)  
 Kathleen Catalano, MD  
 Robert Davenport, MD  
 Philip Gilly, MD  
 Stephen Krizar, MD  
 William Murphy, MD  
 Ananthakrishnan Ramani, MD  
 Michael Shaeffer, MD

As Associates:

Brian Daggett, MD  
 Lawrence Greitzer, MD  
 Valerie Curry, MD  
 Elizabeth Howard, D.O.

3. APPOINTMENT OF THE VOTER REGISTRATION BOARD FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR, AS LISTED, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF REMUNERATION OF \$8.00 PER HOUR FOR INSPECTORS, ASSISTANT CLERKS, ALTERNATES AND REGISTRATION BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE 2007-2008 ANNUAL DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION

PEGGY BUTCHER	
MARION ROBINSON	
WENDY BOPP	

4. DESIGNATIONS:

OFFICIAL BANK DEPOSITORY	1) NATIONAL UNION BANK OF KINDERHOOK 2) CITIZEN'S BANK
SIGNATURE ON CHECKS	TREASURER, DEPUTY TREASURER OR SUPERINTENDENT
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER	THE INDEPENDENT
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER	REGISTER-STAR
BUDGET HEARING DATE	Tuesday, May 8, 2007
BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION	Tuesday, May 15, 2007

5. TO ESTABLISH THE MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE for 2006-2007 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE IRS RATE AS FOLLOWS: \$.445/Mile (\$.405 in 2005-2006)
6. TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT OR DISTRICT CLERK TO OPEN BIDS.
7. TO READOPT FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR, ALL BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES & THE CODE OF ETHICS, IN EFFECT DURING THE PAST SCHOOL YEAR
8. TO ACCEPT ALL EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITIES PROGRAMS FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR PER THE ATTACHED LISTING

9. TO ESTABLISH PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR AS FOLLOWS:

IN CUSTODY OF:	AMOUNT OF FUNDS:
DISTRICT CLERK	\$100
TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR	\$100
DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES	\$ 50
TAX LIAISON	\$ 50

10. TO ESTABLISH THE PER DIEM RATE OF PAY FOR TEACHER SUBSTITUTES FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR AS FOLLOWS: \_

	2006-2007	<u>AFTER 20</u> CONSECUTIVE DAYS
UNCERTIFIED TEACHER	\$ 65/DAY	\$ 75/DAY
CERTIFIED TEACHER	\$ 85/DAY	\$ 90/DAY
UNCERTIFIED TEACHING ASSISTANT	\$ 60/DAY	\$ 60/DAY
CERTIFIED TEACHING ASSISTANT	\$ 75/DAY	\$ 80/DAY
TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER	\$181/DAY	

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11. TO ESTABLISH THE HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR SUPPORT STAFF SUBSTITUTES AND OCCASIONAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR AS FOLLOWS:

CLERK-TYPIST	\$ 9.37/HOUR
INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE	\$ 8.85/HOUR
FOOD SERVICE HELPER	\$ 8.00/HOUR
MAINTENANCE/MECHANIC	\$ 10.50/HOUR
CLEANER	\$ 9.30/HOUR
BUS DRIVER	\$ 12.50/HOUR
BUS ATTENDANT	\$ 8.80/HOUR
REGISTERED NURSE	\$ 14.00/HOUR
OCCASIONAL CENTRAL OFFICE SUPPORT	\$ 11.00/HOUR

12. TO ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING RATES FOR SUMMER INSTRUCTORS FOR 2006-2007 AS FOLLOWS:

TEACHING ASSISTANT	\$ 18.75 /HOUR
INVITATIONS STAFF	\$ 26.50/HOUR

SUMMER SCHOOL STAFF	\$ 26.50/HOUR
ELA SUMMER COORDINATOR	1/200 OF SALARY

13. TO ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING RATES FOR 2006-2007 AS FOLLOWS:

BUS DRIVER/TRAINER	\$21.07/Hour
PSAT/PLAN PROCTORS	\$17/Hour
CHATHAM FAIR COORDINATOR	\$448-Stipend
ADULT EDUCATION COORDINATOR	\$3,000-Stipend
ATHLETIC COORDINATOR	\$1,000/month
SUMMER BAND CAMP ADVISOR	\$1,589-Stipend
DATA & ASSESSMENT COORDINATOR	\$15.62/Hour
INTERPRETER PROVIDER	\$20/Hour

14. TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL LUNCH PRICES FOR THE 2006-2007 AS FOLLOWS:

K-8 REGULAR STUDENT BREAKFASTS	\$ 1.00
K-12 REGULAR STUDENT LUNCHES	\$ 1.75
K-8 REDUCED PRICE BREAKFASTS	\$ .25
K-12 REDUCED PRICE LUNCHES	\$ .25
STUDENT MILK PRICE	\$ .35

15. CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James Dexter, Superintendent, members of the Committee on Special Education, Pre-School Education, CSE Sub-Committees, and the Designated Official for IEP Distribution for the 2006-2007 school year, per the attached listing.

16. CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of James P. Dexter, Superintendent, KAREN McGRAW, Assistant Superintendent as an alternate Hearing Officer for Student Disciplinary Hearings, pursuant to Education Law 3214 during the 2006-2007 school year

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

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President Bagnato administered the Oath of Office to the District Clerk

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DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

1. MOTION REIS 2<sup>ND</sup> KRAMARCHYK

To approve the 2006-2007 Board of Education Meeting Dates as per the proposed dates on the attached listing

Carried, 6-0

2. MOTION MARTIN 2<sup>ND</sup> PHILLIPS

To establish 10 p.m. as the ending time for all Regular Board of Education Meetings for the 2006-2007 school year unless otherwise extended by Board action

BAGNATO	YES	PELLETTIERI	YES
KRAMARCHYK	YES	PHILLIPS	YES
MARTIN	YES	REIS	NO

Carried, 5-1

3. MOTION REIS 2<sup>ND</sup> MARTIN

To approve, for the 2006-2007 school year, the following annual appointments to be in effect until the time of the 2007-2008 Organizational Meeting, or until a successor is appointed (whichever occurs first)

- (a) – Chief School Officer to certify payroll (Comm Reg 170.2)
- (b) – Chief School Officer or designee to approve attendance at conferences & workshops for all staff and administrators (Gen Mun Law 77b)
- (c) – Chief School Officer or designee to approve payment for additional in- service and graduate credit courses upon receipt of validation according to the Teacher’s Contract and Board Policy Nos. 9280 & 9280(R)
- (d) – Chief School Officer to sign Special Aid Projects

Carried, 6-0

Prior to approval of the following motion, a discussion was held regarding a request from administration to be able to make transfers within function and object codes without prior board approval. An additional question raised was whether or not a cap should be established.

The following amendment to the motion was offered:

MOTION MARTIN 2<sup>ND</sup> REIS

To amend the wording to read “within function and object codes up to \$10,000”

BAGNATO	YES	PELLETTIERI	ABSTAIN
KRAMARCHYK	YES	PHILLIPS	YES
MARTIN	YES	REIS	YES

Carried, 5-0-1

4. MOTION REIS 2<sup>ND</sup> MARTIN

To authorize the Superintendent of Schools to approve budget transfers between function codes up to \$5,000; and to approve budget transfers within function and object codes up to \$10,000 as may be advisable, without prior Board approval for the 2006-2007 school year

BAGNATO	YES	PELLETTIERI	ABSTAIN
KRAMARCHYK	YES	PHILLIPS	YES
MARTIN	YES	REIS	YES

Carried, 5-0-1

5. MOTION KRAMARCHYK 2<sup>ND</sup> MARTIN  
To approve authorization to provide Worker's Compensation Coverage for board members and volunteers in addition to employees.  
Carried, 6-0

6. MOTION KRAMARCHYK 2<sup>ND</sup> MARTIN  
To establish for the 2006-2007 school year, teacher hours, per building, as follows:

BUILDING	HOURS
HIGH SCHOOL	7:35 am - 2:35 pm
MIDDLE SCHOOL	7:25 am - 2:25 pm
MARTIN H. GLYNN	8:25 am - 3:25pm
MARTIN VAN BUREN	8:25 am - 3:25 pm
PRIMARY SCHOOL	8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Carried, 6-0

#### CONSIDERATION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEES

The current board committee structure was distributed. President Bagnato asked board members to let him know where they would like to participate and if they would like to establish any additional committees. Jim Dexter indicated the ICTA Negotiations Committee would be a critical committee this year as the contract with the Teacher's Association expires in June, 2007.

#### DISTRIBUTIONS:

- 1) 2006-2007 Board Member Address & Phone Listing