

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION

APRIL 19, 2016

MINUTES

The Ichabod Crane Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

Board Members Present:

John Antalek John Chandler Barbara-anne Johnson-Heimroth
Susan Ramos (*arrived 7:02pm*) Regina Rose Michael Stead
Cheryl Trefzger Alexander Mangione-Smith – Student Member on the Board

Board Members Absent:

Tracy Farrell Anthony Welcome

School Officials Present:

George Zini, Superintendent, Michael Brennan, Business Manager, Craig Shull, High School Principal, Tim Farley, Middle/Elementary School Principal, Anthony Marturano, Middle/Elementary School Assistant Principal, Suzanne Guntlow Primary School Principal, Melissa Murray, Principal Responsible for APPR and Curriculum and Instruction, Robert McCloskey, Special Education Director, and Mindy Potts, District Clerk

Board Vice President John Chandler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Board member Cheryl Trefzger read the District Mission Statement:

“The Ichabod Crane Central School District is dedicated to preparing students to become contributing members of society in an ever-changing world by valuing diversity; providing a safe environment; and promoting unique talents, a desire for life-long learning, a strong spirit of community, and Rider pride.”

MOTION ROSE 2ND TREFZGER
To approve the agenda as presented
Carried, 6-0

Board member Susan Ramos arrived 7:02 p.m.

Questar III
Administrative Budget for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year

MOTION ROSE 2ND STEAD
RESOLVED: that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene Counties is authorized to expend the sum set forth in the 2016-17 tentative Administrative budget document in the amount of \$5,882,746.
Carried, 7-0

Election of Members of the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services

There are four nominees, and four expiring terms of the BOCES Board.

MOTION STEAD 2ND ROSE

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mr. Edmund Brooks, Valatie, NY (District of Residence: Ichabod Crane Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Carried, 7-0

MOTION STEAD 2ND ROSE

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Lynn Clum, Germantown, NY (District of Residence: Germantown Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Carried, 7-0

MOTION STEAD 2ND ROSE

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Mary Marro-Giroux, Troy, NY (District of Residence: The Enlarged City School District of Troy), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Carried, 7-0

MOTION STEAD 2ND ROSE

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Nadine Gazzola, Hudson, NY (District of Residence: Taconic Hills Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Carried, 7-0

Superintendent Presentation 2016-2017 Budget

Superintendent George Zini gave a powerpoint presentation on the 2016-2017 budget which was a 0.67% increase of the levy from last year and at the tax levy limit set by the State Education Department.

Meeting Open For Public Participation on Development of the 2016-2017 Budget

Twelve members of the public addressed the Board with questions and concerns on the 2016-2017 proposed budget. Superintendent George Zini and Business Manager Michael Brennan responded to questions.

Board Discussion

Board members asked questions and expressed opinions regarding the proposed 2016-2017 budget.

MOTION RAMOS 2ND TREFZGER

To adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #1, the 2016-2017 Budget as recommended by Administration as follows:

Shall the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, Columbia and Rensselaer Counties, New York be authorized to expend the total amount of **\$38,133,987** during the school year 2016-2017 and to levy the necessary tax therefore?

ANTALEK - YES

CHANDLER - YES

FARRELL – ABSENT

JOHNSON-HEIMROTH - YES

RAMOS - YES

ROSE – ABSTAIN

STEAD – YES

TREFZGER - YES

WELCOME – ABSENT

Carried, 6-0-1

MOTION TREFZGER 2ND ANTALEK

To adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #2, the 2016-2017 Bus Proposal as recommended by Administration as follows:

Shall the Board of Education of the Kinderhook Central School District, Columbia and Rensselaer Counties, New York be authorized to (1) acquire **four(4)** SCHOOL BUSES, at a maximum aggregate cost of **\$394,297**; (2) expend such sum for such purpose; (3) levy of the necessary tax therefore (and to pay interest thereon), to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education taking into account state aid; and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issuance of bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed **\$394,297**?

Carried, 7-0

MOTION TREFZGER 2ND ANTALEK *(full report contained in the Supplemental File)*

To accept the Real Property Tax Report Card for the Ichabod Crane Central School District as presented

Carried, 7-0

Meeting Open For Public Participation

Two members of the public addressed the Board on the following topics:

- Jim DiGioia – the budget and the passing of a former employee
- Jeffrey Ouellette - budget

MOTION RAMOS 2ND TREFZGER

To adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Carried, 7-0

Meetings:

Regular/Special Meetings:

05/03 (Tue) – Regular Board Meeting – 7:00pm – High School

05/10 (Tue) – Budget Hearing & Meet the Candidates – 7:00pm – High School

Committee Meetings:

05/03 (Tue) Audit/Finance Committee – 5:30pm – High School

05/24 (Tue) Policy Committee – 5:00pm – Central Office

Other Meeting(s):

05/17 (Tue) – Budget Vote and Election – 8am-9pm – High School Gymnasium

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