

# ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 24, 2014

## MINUTES

The Ichabod Crane Board of Education held a Special Board meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Office Conference Room.

### All Board Members Present:

Kyle Aschenbrenner	John Chandler	Tricia Gerkman <i>(arrived at 6:06pm)</i>
Barbara-anne Johnson-Heimroth	Bruce Naramore <i>(arrived at 6:05pm)</i>	Jeffrey Ouellette
Susan Ramos	Cheryl Trefzger	Anthony Welcome

### School Officials Present:

George Zini, Superintendent, Michael Brennan, Business Manager, and Mindy Potts, District Clerk

Board President Anthony Welcome called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board President Anthony Welcome announced the fire exits and conducted the Pledge of Allegiance and 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."*

### Executive Session

MOTION RAMOS 2<sup>ND</sup> TREFZGER

To adjourn to Executive Session to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law and to discuss matters leading to the discipline of a particular individual and to discuss the employment history of a particular individual and to discuss specific students and personally identifiable information (exempt from the Open Meetings Law – FERPA)

Carried, 7-0

The District Clerk left the meeting.

Superintendent George Zini and Business Manager Michael Brennan were present at Executive Session until 6:25 p.m.

Board members Tricia Gerkman and Bruce Naramore joined Executive Session at 6:05 p.m. and 6:06 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened in open session at 6:30 p.m.

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

To approve the agenda with modifications as presented

Carried, 9-0

### Meeting Open For Public Participation

No one from the public was present to address the Board.

Consent AgendaMOTION ASCHENBRENNER 2<sup>ND</sup> TREFZGER

To approve the following items contained under the Consent Agenda:

## 8(A) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To appoint, upon the recommendation of George Zini, Superintendent, *additional*/ EXTRA-CLASS ACTIVITY ADVISORS for the 2013-2014 school year as listed:

Position	Name
School Store	Remove: Kathy Kelly Add: Jennifer Two-Axe
HS Book Club	Jennifer Two-Axe
Co-Advisor MS Student Council	Remove: Dara Rexhouse Add: Bernadette Torre
Co-Advisor DC Club	Dara Rexhouse
HS After-School Homework Center Supervision	Nancy Konkle and Gail Lafferty
Science Regents Review/Lab Coverage	Curt Barford, Barbara Byrne, Beth Cousineau, Cori Drummond, Alissa Ferlito, Tom Gazda, Anastasia Gonyea, Greg Miller
Math Regents Review	Cadie Ahlgren, Meredith Grizzaffi, Linda Knight, Dave Vona, John Wilary
Social Studies Review	Jodie Gajadar, Randy Goold, Tim O'Brein, Angela Pemberton, Patrick Sanger, Maureen VanTassel
English Regents Review	Tom Chiappinelli, Carol Lahut, Connie Melone, Steve Werthner, Megan Yeats
LOTE Regents Review	Lisa Duffek, Sylvia Ellis, Scott Payne

## 8(B) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve a transportation lease agreement request submitted by the Village of Kinderhook for use of one (1) school bus for six (6) field trips to be taken in the summer of 2014

## 8(C) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve an increase in our Communications Service through Questar III from two to three days per week for the 2014-2015 school year

## 8(D) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 75 of the New York Civil Service Law, the Board of Education does hereby designate John Trela to act as the hearing officer relative to the disciplinary charges issued against an employee and does hereby authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute a written designation for that purpose.

## 8(E) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

Whereas it has been determined that unsafe conditions exist on the physical education fields, the school board has determined it to be prudent to apply a selective broadleaf herbicide to reduce weed populations on the fields. The unevenness of the various weeds constitutes a safety hazard, in that the uneven surface can potentially cause injuries by twisting ankles and other joints. Further, there exists a population of chinchbugs, which are causing significant loss of desirable grasses, creating additional unsafe conditions.

Therefore, it is recommended that a surface insect control treatment is required to reduce the population of insect pests, and a selective broadleaf weed control application be made to reduce broadleaf weeds. To reduce further applications of these products, the board is suggesting the following actions be taken:

1. Future overseedings of these fields will include endophyte enhanced Perennial ryegrasses and turf type fescues. These seed types are to be used, as endophyte enhances ryegrasses and fescues will not be damaged by chinchbugs.
2. Routine fertilizations are to be made that will help maintain turf vigor and density, which will reduce invasive broadleaf weeds.
3. Other cultural practices including mowing, irrigation, and aerations following standard horticultural practices will be followed to promote a dense turf stand and minimize invasive weeds and insect pests.
4. Any materials used for pest control under this Emergency Declaration will be "Caution" label only, the lowest risk category.  
The school board wishes to have these products applied simultaneously to reduce the time the fields have to be closed to users and to maximize efficiencies of application costs.

End of Consent Agenda

Carried, 9-0

MOTION RAMOS 2<sup>ND</sup> ASCHENBRENNER

To ratify the July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2018 contractual agreement between the Ichabod Crane Board of Education and the Ichabod Crane Administrator's Association, and to authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the agreement.

Carried, 9-0

Public Participation

No one from the public wished to address the Board

Adjournment

MOTION RAMOS 2<sup>ND</sup> TREFZGER

To adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Carried, 9-0

Meetings:

Board Meetings

07/08/14 (Tue) Regular Board Meeting – 7PM – HS Auditorium

Committee Meetings:

07/08/14 (Tue) – Audit Finance Committee Meeting – 5:30PM – Central Office

07/22/14 (Tue) – Policy Committee Meeting - 5pm – Central Office

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Mindy M. Potts  
District Clerk