

ICHABOD CRANE CENTRAL SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 12, 2023

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Ichabod Crane Board of Education was held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Prior to the meeting a reception for Newly Appointed and Newly Tenured Faculty & Staff was held with Administration.

All Board Members Present:

Jennifer Allard	Kelly Firmbach	Meghan Lafferty-Brown
Matthew Nelson	Megan Pelizza	Elizabeth Phillips
Anne Schaefer	Christopher Scoville	Jared Widjeskog

School Officials Present:

Marie Digirolamo, Superintendent, Lucas Christensen, Assistant Superintendent, Michael Brennan, Business Manager, Craig Shull, High School Principal, Marcella Sanchez, High School Assistant Principal, Anthony Marturano, Middle School Co-Principal, Tim Farley, Middle School Co-Principal, Andrea Williams, Primary School Principal, Peg Warner, Special Education Director, and Mindy Potts, District Clerk

Board President Matthew Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Board President Matthew Nelson announced the fire exits, 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."

MOTION NELSON 2ND PHILLIPS
To approve the agenda as presented
Carried, 9-0

MOTION NELSON 2ND FIRMBACH
To approve the minutes of the August 22, 2023 Board meeting
Carried, 9-0

Public Participation

No one from the public wished to address the Board at this time.

Student Board members

MOTION NELSON 2ND PELIZZA

To appoint, in accordance with policy #2245, Ewan McComb to serve as Student Representative to the Board of Education for the 2023-2024 school year and;

To appoint Lillian Jensen to serve as an Alternate Student Representative to the Board of Education for the 2023-2024 school year

Carried, 9-0

The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Ewan McComb and Lillian Jensen.

High School Principal Craig Shull introduced the Student Board Members to the full Board.

Board Discussion

Board member Anne Schaefer reported on the Policy Committee meeting held on September 11 and elaborated on the two policies having first readings:

- 4856 Use of Service Animals (new)
- 8121.1 Opioid Overdose Prevention Policy and Regulation (revised)

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Marie Digirolamo reported briefly to the Board on the following topics:

- Back to School "A great week to be a Rider"
- Congratulations to Newly Appointed and Newly Tenured Faculty & Staff
- Superintendent's Goals

Business Office Report

Business Manager Michael Brennan reported briefly to the Board on the following:

- Tax Collection Update
- State Aid Claiming Updates
- Audit Updates
- Donation from Bank of Greene County

Consent Agenda

MOTION PHILLIPS 2ND FIRMBACH

To accept the following items contained under the Consent Agenda

11(A) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept the resignation of Baki Bozyel, ENL (English as a New Language) Teacher, effective September 22, 2023

11(B) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept the resignation of Sarah O'Neil, Food Service Helper Position only, effective August 25, 2023 (Ms. O'Neil is continuing with her transportation position)

11(C) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE (Full Report in Supplemental File)

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2023 (including Revenues, Appropriations and Transfers and Warrants) as well as Final Revenue Expenditures and Transfers for 2022-23 as presented

11(D) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept the CPSE and CSE Recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:
meeting dates of: 6/12; 7/12; 7/26; 8/8; 8/16; 8/17; 8/24; 9/5

11(E) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint the following additions to the teaching substitute listing for 2023-2024 school year:

Name	Position	Effective
Kim Funk	Certified Substitute Teacher	9/12/23
Mary Beth Strobel	Uncertified Substitute Teacher/TA	9/6/23
Suzannah Winn	Uncertified Substitute Teacher/TA	9/13/23
Sharon Jensen	SEIT	9/6/23

11(F) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint the following additions to the non-teaching substitute listing for 2023-2024 school year:

Name	Position	Effective
James Elmendorf	Driver Substitute	8/25/23

11(G) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Marie Digirolamo, Superintendent, Annual Teacher Leaders and/or ExtraClass Activity Appointments for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:

Position	Staff
Mentor	Patrick Sanger, Anastasia Gonyea, Melanie Moon, Christine Suchoski, Cortney Dobkins, Sandra Dwileski
Social Media Specialist	Todd Digrigoli
6 - 12 Tech/FACS Team Leaders	Chris Coffey and Jared Bevington
Extended Day Teacher	Hugh Sarno, Elisa McNeil
PS Teacher in Charge	Amy Stephenson
MS/ES Teacher in Charge	Jason Jause

11(H) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Marie Digirolamo, Superintendent, the following Interscholastic Coaches for the 2023-2024 school year:

Position	Name	Step
Cheerleading	Dawn Richardson	n/a
Cheerleading Volunteer	Kelsey Coons	n/a

11(I) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve the establishment of the following club for the 2023-2024 School Year with the following unpaid advisors:

Club	Unpaid Advisor
Middle School International Club (French/Spanish)	Marcella Mason
Middle School E-sports Club	Shane DeCanio and Lucas Silvis

11(J) CONSIDERATION FOR APPOINTMENT

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Marie Digirolamo, Superintendent, Jamie Stickles, to the probationary position of Monitor, effective September 6, 2023

11(K) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL (Full List in Supplemental File)

To approve per Board Policy #6900-(Disposal of District Property), as Surplus & Obsolete, the attached lists:

- Math Textbooks

11(L) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve the following field trip request and chaperones per Board Policy #4531:

DESTINATION: Amherst, MA for UMASS Band Day

DATE: October 7, 2023

PARTICIPANTS: 50 members of the Marching Band

CHAPERONES: 5 including Jennifer Edwards

11(M) CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL

To approve the following field trip request and chaperones per Board Policy #4531:

DESTINATION: North Adams, MA for the Fall Foliage Parade

DATE: October 1, 2023

PARTICIPANTS: 50 members of the Marching Band

CHAPERONES: 5 including Jennifer Edwards

11(N) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE

To accept, per Board Policy #1800 Gifts from the Public, a donation to the District's Music Program of \$2,000 from Bank of Greene County and approve an increase in the 2023-2024 budget from \$48,592,064 to \$48,594,064 into the following Appropriation Codes:

- A2110.510-05-2100 - in the amount of \$2,000

11(O) CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE (Full Report in Supplemental File)
To accept the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for August 2023

11(P) AUTHORIZATION FOR SIGNATURE (Full Agreements in Supplemental File)
To authorize the Board President or Superintendent to execute the following documents:

- Afternoon Transportation Agreement - Hudson
- Morning Transportation Agreement - Hudson
- New Visions Contract

Public Participation

No one wished to address the Board at this time

Meetings

- October 3 - Regular Meeting 7pm - HS Library
- November 7 - Regular Meeting 7pm - HS Library

Committee Meetings

- September 13 - Superintendent's Goals Committee 5:30 - CO Conference Room
- September 25 - Audit Committee 5:45pm - CO Conference Room
- October 3 - Policy Committee - 5:45pm - CO Conference Room

MOTION NELSON SCOVILLE

To adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Carried, 9-0