

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



MINUTES

**August 29, 2011
District Office**

5:30 p.m.



CoRe VaLueS

We Believe :

- * That all children can learn
- * In educating the whole child so he/she can meet the District's Standards
- * In focusing on student achievement
- * In providing a comprehensive and enriched curriculum for all students reflecting the needs and available resources of the community
- * That the combined commitment of the Board of Education, staff, parents, students, and community is the key to educational success

Mission Statement

Preparing World Class Citizens for the 21st Century through school and community partnerships while addressing the diverse needs of all students

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the South Colonie Board of Education was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mr. Motto.

Roll Call

Brian Casey	<u>Present</u>	Robert Domenici	<u>Present</u>	Richard Dunn	<u>Excused</u>
Shelle Jaquish	<u>Present</u>	David Kiehle	<u>Excused</u>	Neil Johanning	<u>Present</u>
Leonard Motto	<u>Present</u>	James T. Ryan	<u>Present</u>	Edward Sim	<u>Present</u>

Also present: Superintendent Jonathan Buhner, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning Sherri Fisher, District Clerk Joyce Gay.

2. PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Motto led the pledge to the Flag.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Casey, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the minutes of the **regular** meeting on **August 9, 2011**, be approved.

4. COMMUNICATIONS**A. Correspondence/Board Activities****Mr. Motto:**

- Attended the Annual Bus Driver Training & Awards Ceremony held at *The Crossings* on Tuesday, August 23.

Mr. Ryan:

- Attended the Annual Bus Driver Training & Awards Ceremony held at *The Crossings* on Tuesday, August 23.
- Attended the Graduation Ceremony on August 18 at the high school library for five summer school students who received their high school diplomas.

Mr. Johanning:

- Is acting as the NYS PTA representative to the Milken Foundation Educator of the Year Awards for NYS. Winners receive a \$25,000 unrestricted award. He suggested that the District gather updated resumes of staff every 4-5 years to have current information on file in case we'd like to nominate a teacher or administrator for the award.

B. No Requests to speak.**5. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY****A. Tax Rates / Tax Warrants**

The 2011-12 tax rate calculations were reviewed by Assistant Superintendent Sherri Fisher. Resolutions for adoption of the Tax Warrants appear in Items 10 and 11 of these minutes.

B. District Goals / Visions

The 2010-11 District Goals Progress Report was presented to the Board. Mr. Buhner also distributed a draft of the 2011-12 District Goals/Visions and asked board members to review both documents, make notes and suggestions, and come prepared to discuss the documents at the next board meeting on September 6.

6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

The Superintendent recommended approval of the following:

A. In-Service Courses

1. Three (3.0) in-service credits for participation in and completion of the 45-contact hour course, "Differentiated Instructional Strategies (EDEX262)," (#11-12-28). The online course will be held at various times and on various dates and is sponsored by Drake University. John Meurs (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.

B. Seminar on Educational Issues

1. Six (6) contact hours of credit for participation "Effective Prevention and Treatment of Running Injuries" (SD#2011-12-05), sponsored by Cross Country Education. The workshop will be held Wednesday, August 31, 2011, at the Holiday Inn, Schenectady, NY, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Kurt Pfaffenbach (Forest Park) is the contact person.
2. Six (6) contact hours of credit for participation "Evidence-Based Strengthening and Conditioning" (SD#2011-12-04), sponsored by Cross Country Education. The workshop will be held Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at the Holiday Inn, Schenectady, NY, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Kurt Pfaffenbach (Forest Park) is the contact person.

C. Tax Refunds

1. Approval of a tax refund to the County of Albany, Real Property Services in the amount of \$489.90. Albany County refunded Marietta and Jessica Hanley for a STAR exemption correction for property located at 101 Waterman Avenue in the Town of Colonie (Tax Map #17.14-1-18). This refund is made without interest and penalties.
2. Approval of a proposed tax settlement and refund for the 2010 tax year for ELAS Realty Associates, 444 Sand Creek Road (Tax Map #42.1-3-16), in the amount of \$2,405.01. Segel, Goldman, Mazzotta & Siegel PC are attorneys for the petitioner.

3. Approval of a proposed tax settlement and refund for UPS Overnight Freight, 12 Apollo Drive (Tax Map #41.00-1-2), in the amount **\$9,395.42**, payable to Janata, LaCap & Associates, attorneys for the petitioner, as follows:

2007-08:	\$2,290.23
2008-09:	\$2,621.98
2009-10:	\$2,557.72
2010-11:	\$1,925.48

The refund is in accordance with a New York State Supreme Court decision and is made without interest, subject to receipt of the executed Stipulation of Settlement.

D. Contracts

1. A contract between Parsons Child and Family Center, 60 Academy Road, Albany, NY 12208, and South Colonie Central School District to provide special education services. The term of this contract shall be from July 5, 2011 to June 21, 2012. The tuition cost approved by the State Education Department is \$35,550.00 per child for the 2011-12 school year (September through June) and \$5,765.00 per child for the 2011 summer session.

Motion made by Mr. Domenici, seconded by Mr. Ryan, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the above stated **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS** be approved.

7. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION

Motion made by Ms. Jaquish, seconded by Mr. Casey, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated August 29, 2011, be approved.

8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT

Motion made by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Sim, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated August 29, 2011, be approved.

9. POLICIES

Policy 5300 – Code of Conduct

Motion made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Ms. Jaquish, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the policy listed above be adopted.

10. RESOLUTION

Approval of Tax Warrants for the 2011-12 school year for the Towns of Colonie, Guilderland and Niskayuna dated August 31, 2011, per the attached list.

Motion made by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Ryan, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the above stated tax warrants be approved.

11. RESOLUTION

Adoption of the 2011-12 tax rates per \$1,000 of assessed value as follows:

TOWN	RATE
Colonie	\$24.662612
Niskayuna	\$16.654270
Guilderland	\$19.310523

Motion made by Ms. Jaquish, seconded by Mr. Domenici, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the above stated tax rates for 2011-12 be approved.

12. RESOLUTIONS

Citizenship Day/Constitution Day – September 17

National Hispanic-American Heritage Month – September 15 to October 15

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Ms. Jaquish, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the above resolutions be approved.

13. CLASSROOM RENTAL AND ANCILLARY SERVICES AGREEMENT

Approve the Classroom Rental and Ancillary Services Agreement with the Capital Region BOCES for the 2011-12 school year as follows:

- \$12,000 per classroom paid to the District for the rental of classroom at Lisha Kill Middle School (1)
- Ancillary Services base fees of \$14,250 paid to the District in conjunction with the classroom rental.
- Additional Base Fees for multiple classes in the District of \$7,500 and in a building of \$7,000.

These contracts reflect the reimbursement charges agreed upon by the District Superintendent's Special Education Committee and the component school superintendents. The term of this agreement shall be for a period of one year commencing July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012.

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Sim, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the Classroom and Ancillary Services Agreement be approved.

14. FUTURE MEETINGS

- August 30, 2011 – Facilities Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- September 6, 2011 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- September 13, 2011 – Academic Achievement Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- September 13, 2011 – Academic Recognition at Colonie High School – 6:30 p.m.
- September 14, 2011 – Information Technology Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- September 20, 2011 – District Communications Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office

- September 20, 2011 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
includes Tenured Teacher Reception @ 6:30 pm
- September 26, 2011 – Policy Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Ms. Jaquish, seconded by Mr. Casey, to **enter** closed session to discuss the Superintendent's annual evaluation at 6:24 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mr. Sim, and carried unanimously (7-0), to **adjourn** closed session at 7:35 p.m.

16. ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Johanning, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the regular meeting be adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Joyce Gay
District Clerk
08/31/2011

A. Leave of Absence

1. Name: Katherine (Greco) Bovee
Position: Technology Teacher
Type: Childcare Leave Extension
Location: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: September 1, 2011
Ending Date: January 30, 2012

B. Appointments

1. Name: Jennifer (Tatlock) Hazzard
Address: 4 McKinley Avenue, Johnstown, NY 12095
Type: 2 Year Probationary
Tenure Area: Science (Physics)
Location: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: August 31, 2011
End of Probationary Period: August 30, 2013
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 3
Education: B.A., SUNY Oneonta; M.Ed., College of St. Rose
Certification Status: Supplementary in Physics 7-12
2. Name: Kristen Karbowski
Address: 2 Mountain View Terrace, Apt. 10, Latham, NY 12110
Type: 1 Year Probationary
Tenure Area: Elementary Education
Location: Veeder Elementary School
Effective Date: August 31, 2011
End of Probationary Period: August 30, 2012
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 4
Education: B.A., Siena College; M.S., The College of St. Rose
Certification Status: Initial in Early Childhood Education (B-2)

C. Substitute Teachers

Approval of substitute teachers on the attached list for regular, conditional or emergency conditional appointments.

D. Salary Revision

1. Name: Patrick Gunner
Address: 4 North Center Lane, Ballston Lake, NY 12019
Tenure Area: Administrator
Location: Forest Park Elementary School
Effective Date: July 1, 2011
Ending Date: January 30, 2012
Salary Revision: As per the attached confidential sheet
Certification: Permanent as School District Administrator

E. Audio Visual Coordinators– 2011-12 School Year

Approval per Policy 9290

Sand Creek Middle School

Steve Doran

F. Lunch Supervision for the 2011-12 School Year**Roessleville Elementary School**

Rescind the appointment of the previously approved position effective September 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011:

Colleen Leach

Appointment of the following previously approved position effective September 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011:

Darcie Donahue**G. Co-Curricular – 2011-12 School Year**

Appointment of the following previously approved positions at the approved rate of compensation:

Lisha Kill Middle SchoolIntramurals:

Season I – Girls Basketball (5-6)

Eric Obermayer

H. Interscholastics for Fall – 2011-12 School Year

Appointment of the following previously approved positions at the approved rate of compensation:

Colonie Central High School

Coach Varsity Cheerleading-Fall

Jennifer Schubert

Coach Junior Varsity Cheerleading-Fall

Lyndsey Stammel

Coach Boys Cross Country

Tom Greene

Assistant Coach Boys Cross Country

Dennis King .4

Assistant Coach Boys Cross Country

Michael Palmer .8

Assistant Coach Boys Cross Country

Chris Schultz .2

Coach Girls Cross Country

Frank Myers

Assistant Coach Girls Cross Country

Michael Caccuitto .05

Assistant Coach Girls Cross Country

Jennifer Jette .25

Assistant Coach Girls Cross Country

Mary Ann Reilly-Johnson .7

Coach Varsity Football

Michael Ambrosio

Assistant Coach Varsity Football

Greg Bearup

Assistant Coach Varsity Football

Kevin Halburian

Coach Junior Varsity Football

William Roemer

Assistant Coach Junior Varsity Football

Thomas Gracon

Assistant Coach Junior Varsity Football

Matthew Tarullo

Coach 9th Grade Football

Eric Rouleau

Assistant Coach 9th Grade Football

Jason Blind

Assistant Coach 9th Grade Football

Brian Grastorf

Coach Varsity Golf	James Vardaro	
Coach Junior Varsity Golf	Jim Boland	
Coach Varsity Boys Soccer	Michael Trimarchi	
Assistant Varsity Coach Boys Soccer	Todd Rockmore	
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Soccer	Marc Mostransky	
Assistant Coach Junior Varsity Boys Soccer	Darko Sedlar	
Coach 9 th Grade Boys Soccer	Aaron Hutchins	
Coach Varsity Girls Soccer	Nick Southworth	
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Soccer	Kristen Bidosky	
Coach Junior Varsity Girls Soccer	Lisa McGee	
Assistant Coach Junior Varsity Girls Soccer	Brooke Brady	
Coach 9 th Grade Girls Soccer	Christine Devine	
Coach Girls Varsity Tennis	Erin Lasky	.8
Coach Girls Varsity Tennis	Brigham McCutcheon	.2
Coach Girls Junior Varsity Tennis	Kathy Detrick	
Coach Varsity Boys Volleyball	Haven Brown	
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Volleyball	Spencer Hilland	
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Volleyball	Jason Bissonette	
Coach Varsity Girls Volleyball	Thomasa Nielsen	
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Volleyball	Dan DeMarco	
Coach Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball	Teri Fay	.2
Coach Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball	Sean Merchant	.8
Coach 9 th Grade Girls Volleyball	Samantha (Gonyeau) Scalzo	

Lisha Kill Middle School

Coach Cross Country	Sherri Long	
Coach Boys Football	Matt Stein	
Assistant Coach Boys Football	Matt Maes	
Coach Boys Soccer	Pete Paquette	
Coach Girls Soccer	Brooke Brady	
Coach Girls Volleyball	Darcie Donahue	

Sand Creek Middle School

Coach Cross Country	Jamie Carr	
Coach Boys Football	Gary Bohl	
Assistant Coach Boys Football	Thomas Geddes	
Coach Boys Soccer	Robert Lemerise	.5
Coach Boys Soccer	Greg Sulz	.5
Coach Girls Soccer	Kathleen Villa	
Coach Girls Volleyball	Tracey Johnas	

A. Creation of Positions*Effective September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012*

1	0.25	(2.0 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (BG)
1	0.50	(4.0 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (BG)
3	0.63	(5.0 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (BG)
1	0.66	(5.25 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (BG)
1	0.69	(5.5 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (BG)
1	0.72	(5.75 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (BG)
3	0.50	(4.0 hour)	Temporary School Bus Drivers (BG)
1	0.56	(4.5 hour)	Temporary School Bus Driver (BG)

Effective September 6, 2011 – June 30, 2012

1	0.81	(6.5 hour)	Temporary School Monitor (FP)
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B. Resignations

- Name: Susan Lanahan
Position: Permanent School Monitor - VR
Effective: September 1, 2011
Reason: Personal
- Name: Sara DonVito
Position: Permanent School Monitor - SW
Effective: August 26, 2011
Reason: Accepted another position within the District

C. Appointments

- Name: Stephen LaMere
Address: 3 Martingale Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Position: School Bus Driver Substitute
Effective: August 10, 2011
Salary: \$14.50 per hour
- Name: Matthew Press
Address: 12 Maywood Avenue, Albany, NY 12205
Position: School Bus Driver Substitute
Effective: August 11, 2011
Salary: \$14.50 per hour
- Name: Thomas Morris, Jr.
Address: 2169 Grand Blvd., Niskayuna, NY 12309
Position: School Bus Driver Substitute
Effective: September 1, 2011
Salary: \$14.50 per hour

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4. Name: Charles Porter
Address: 36 Waterman Avenue, Albany, NY 12205
Position: School Bus Driver Substitute
Effective: September 2, 2011
Salary: \$14.50 per hour

 5. Name: Colleen Farina
Address: 30 Huntington Drive, Schenectady, NY 12309
Position: Temporary Part-Time School Nurse
Effective: September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012
Salary: \$21.00 per hour, per CSEA Contract
Hours: 3.0 hours per day
Current Location: An Nur Islamic School - Private

 6. Name: Erika Cheffolway
Address: 21 Brookwood Drive, Latham, NY 12110
Position: School Nurse Substitute
Effective: September 1, 2011
Salary: \$17.50 per hour

 7. Name: Mary Ann Gerstenberger
Address: 2 Kenmore Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12304
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2011 to June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.79 per hour
Hours: 6.0 hours per day
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School

 8. Name: Christine Palmer
Address: 26 Bogart Terrace, Albany, NY 12202
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2011 to June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.49 per hour
Hours: 6.0 hours per day
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School

 9. Name: Kathryn O'Brien
Address: 44 Braintree Street, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2011 to June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.07 per hour
Hours: 6.0 hours per day
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School

10. Name: Sara DonVito
Address: 3 Old Myers Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2011 to June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.97 per hour
Hours: 6.5 hours per day
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School
11. Name: Susanne Lotano
Address: 23 Tokay Lane, Schenectady, NY 12309
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2011 to June 30, 2012
Salary: \$13.30 per hour
Hours: 6.5 hours per day
Current Location: Veeder Elementary School
12. Name: Chris Taranto
Address: 26 Carol Ann Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Food Service Helper Substitute
Effective: September 1, 2011
Salary: \$9.50 per hour
13. Name: Lee St. John
Address: 2 Holly Lane, Latham, NY 12110
Position: Food Service Helper Substitute
Effective: September 1, 2011
Salary: \$9.50 per hour
14. Name: Barbara LaPoint
Address: 18 Rondack Road, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Clerk Typist I – Part Time (Substitute)
Effective: (Revised) August 24, 2011
Salary: \$9.50 per hour

D. Change of Hours*Effective August 30, 2011:*

Joseph Wygel Bus Driver 5.0 hours per day to 6.0 hours per day BG