

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



MINUTES
September 6, 2011
District Office



7:00 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 by Mr. Motto.

Roll Call

Brian Casey	<u>Present</u>	Robert Domenici	<u>Excused</u>	Richard Dunn	<u>Present</u>
Shelle Jaquish	<u>Present</u>	David Kiehle	<u>Present</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 W. Buhner, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning Sherri Fisher.

APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEM

Motion made by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (8-0) that Sherri Fisher be appointed as District Clerk Pro-Tem.

2. PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Motto led the pledge to the flag.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Sim, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the minutes of the meeting on **August 29, 2011**, be approved.

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

- Expressed appreciation for the August graduation ceremony for the students completing coursework this summer.

Mr. Sim:

- Thanked the administrators and board members for the New Board Member Orientation meetings which he found to be very informative.

Mr. Casey:

- Attended the football game at Schenectady and students were well behaved.

Mr. Ryan:

- Attended the end-of-summer O & M picnic, the high school's "Welcome Back" for teachers, and the Transportation Department luncheon.

Mr. Motto:

- Attended the end-of-summer O & M picnic, the high school's "Welcome Back" for teachers, and the Transportation Department luncheon. Also attended the football game in Schenectady.

B. Board Committee Reports

The Facilities Committees has met since the last board meeting. Mr. Ryan (Chairperson) presented an oral and written report of the meeting.

C. **No Requests** to speak.

5. **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY**

A. **Annual Professional Performance Review Plan (APPR)**

Mr. Backus outlined the plans for the development of the new APPR. The final Plan will be presented for approval at the Board meeting on September 20th.

B. **District Goals / Visions**

Mr. Buhner provided an overview of the 2011-12 District Goals/Visions. Once finalized, the document will be distributed. Mr. Johanning requested a revision to the "Communications" section (page 7) to incorporate family/parent/community engagement. Mr. Buhner indicated he will email some suggested bullets to the board members for their review.

6. **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following:

A. **Contracts**

1. A contract with Crossroads Centers for Children, 1136 N. Westcott Road, Schenectady NY 12306, to provide special education services for the 2011-12 school year for one (1) South Colonie student enrolled in the contractor's school. The State Education Department set the prospective tuition rate approval for the 2011-12 school year at \$27,608.00 for tuition and \$16,097.40 for 1:1 aide totaling \$43,705.40.
2. A contract between Crossroads Center for Children, Inc., 1136 N. Westcott Road, Suite 100, Schenectady, NY 12306, and South Colonie Central Schools to provide Special Education services for two (2) South Colonie students from July 11 to August 19, 2011.
3. A contract with The Center for Disability Services, Inc., 314 South Manning Blvd., Albany NY, to provide educational services beginning on September 7, 2011 and ending on June 22, 2012 for South Colonie students enrolled in the contractor's school. Tuition shall be \$38,743.00 for the school year component pending STAC SED approval. Partial months shall be paid on a pro-rated basis of \$968.57 per week for the school year component.

B. **Transportation Contracts**

1. Award transportation contracts for private and parochial schools for the 2011-12 school year to lowest responsible bidders:

<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>ANNUAL COST</u>	<u>COST PER MILE</u>
<i>Durham Services, Inc.</i> <i>830 South Pearl St., Albany NY 12202</i>		
#1 Charlton School	\$16,290.00	\$2.75

<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>ANNUAL COST</u>	<u>COST PER MILE</u>
<i>Star & Strand Transportation</i> <i>415 Fulton Street, Troy NY 12180</i>		
#4 Scotia-Glenville w/required aide	\$14,983.00	\$3.75

2. Award extension of transportation contracts for the 2011-12 school year. The state-approved CPI rate is 2.9%.

<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>ANNUAL COST</u>	<u>COST PER MILE</u>
<i>Chalet Services, Inc.</i> <i>3206 Rt #81, Surprise NY 12176</i>		
#5E Crossroads for Children	\$19,530.42	\$3.61
1:1 Required Aide	\$15,242.01	
#2E Mt. Moriah	\$12,780.18	\$2.06
#17E BOCES – Questar III	\$13,135.17	\$2.06
#10E St. John the Evangelist	\$15,459.21	\$2.06

Durham School Services
830 South Pearl St., Albany NY 12202

#7E Langan Center	\$31,376.22	\$1.89
Required Aide	\$13,576.65	

Star & Strand Transportation
415 Fulton Street, Troy NY 12180

#13E Maywood-BOCES w/Aide	\$19,292.93	\$3.83
#15E Northeast Parent & Child	\$16,559.69	\$3.66
1:1 Required Aide	\$12,373.16	

C. Clerk's & Treasurer's Reports – July 2011

Motion made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the above stated **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS** be approved.

7. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Johanning, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated September 6, 2011, be approved.

8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT

Motion made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated September 6, 2011, be approved.

9. RESOLUTION

Native American Day – September 24, 2010

Motion made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Johanning, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the above resolutions be approved.

10. RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION PERSONNEL

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of South Colonie Central School District, Albany County, New York, has called a special district meeting of the qualified voters of said School District to be held on the **12th day of October, 2011** and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for the appointment of Permanent Chairmen, Chief Election Inspectors, Inspectors of Election and Assistant Clerks for said special district meeting at each polling place; **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of South Colonie Central School District, Albany County, New York, as follows:

Section 1: The following named duly qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed as District Clerk Pro-tem and Permanent Chairpersons of the special district meeting referred to in the preambles hereof:

- Deneen Bogdanowicz**
- Joyce Gay**
- Deborah Galdun**
- Linda Kennedy**
- Cindy Lupe**

Section 2: The following named duly qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed as Chief Election Inspectors:

- LeeAnn Dunn**
- Nancy Fahd**
- Chris Guidarelli**
- Madonna Katsares**
- Shirley Kelty**
- Michele Marr**
- Tim Wright**
- Joella Ziele**

Section 3: The attached list of named duly qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed to act as Inspectors of Election and/or Assistant Clerks at said special district meeting.

Section 4: Each Inspector of Election and Assistant Clerk appointed for said special district meeting, as herein provided, shall serve without compensation. The Clerk of said School District is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of appointment to the persons herein respectively appointed as Permanent Chairmen, Inspectors of Election and Assistant Clerks for said special district meeting.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows: Motion by Mr. Ryan, and seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (8-0):

Brian Casey	<u>Yes</u>	Shelle Jaquish	<u>Yes</u>	David Kiehle	<u>Yes</u>
Robert Domenici	<u>Absent</u>	Neil Johanning	<u>Yes</u>	Leonard Motto	<u>Yes</u>
Rick Dunn	<u>Yes</u>	Edward Sim	<u>Yes</u>	James T. Ryan	<u>Yes</u>

11. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/REMARKS

Mr. Casey asked what the District might be able to do to help with the school districts who have experienced flooding/hurricane damage. Mr. Buhner will reach out to impacted schools to see what they need and how we can help with priority items.

Board members would like to have data on the number of hits received on our District website and through Facebook, Twitter, and other social media sites. Mr. Buhner will ask John Noetzel to present a report of this information.

12. FUTURE MEETINGS

- 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
- October 4, 2011 – Audit-Finance Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- October 4, 2011 - Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- October 12, 2011 – Accountability & Board Operations Committee – 7:30 a.m. – D.O.

13. ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mr. Sim, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Sherri Fisher
District Clerk Pro-Tem

A. Creation of Position

Creation of the following position for the 2011-12 school year:

1.0 Probationary Elementary Education Teacher

B. Long-Term Replacement

1. Name: Nicholas A. Morocco
Address: 8 Deerfield Place, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Type: Long Term Replacement
Teaching Area: Technology
Location: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: August 31, 2011
Ending Date: January 30, 2012
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 4
Education: B.S., SUNY Oswego
Certification: Initial in Technology Education

C. Substitute Teachers

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

D. Subject Coordinators – 2011-12 School Year

Central Avenue Learning Center

Gina Mooney

E. Lunch Supervision – 2011-12 School Year

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

Central Avenue Learning Center

Debra DeSanctis

Erin Taylor

A. Resignation

1. Name: Margaret Anatriello
Position: Food Service Helper
Effective: August 23, 2011
Reason: Personal

B. Appointments

1. Name: Shawn Maney
Address: 55 Red Fox Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Probationary School Bus Driver
Effective: September 6, 2011
Salary: \$16.91 per hour, per CSEA contract
Hours: 5.0 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
Probationary Period: September 1, 2011 – March 1, 2012
2. Name: Michel Legato
Address: 6 Glenmore Drive, Schenectady, NY 12309
Position: School Monitor Substitute
Effective: September 7, 2011
Salary: \$9.50 per hour
3. Name: Marisa Lotano
Address: 23 Tokay Lane, Schenectady, NY 12309
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.79 per hour, per Teamsters Contract
Hours: 5.5 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
4. Name: Pam Colino
Address: 15 Amy Marie Court, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.07 per hour, per Teamsters Contract
Hours: 5.75 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
5. Name: Kim Demoor
Address: 64 Bonner Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12304
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.07 per hour, per Teamsters Contract
Hours: 5.0 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage

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6. Name: Donna Parker
Address: 29B Hillside Avenue, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.07 per hour, per Teamsters Contract
Hours: 5.25 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
7. Name: Kaila Ricciardi
Address: 12 Wilson Avenue, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
Salary: \$11.07 per hour, per Teamsters Contract
Hours: 5.0 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
8. Name: Julie Gavigan
Address: 1151 Eugene Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012
Salary: \$10.84 per hour, per Teamsters Contract
Hours: 5.0 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
9. Name: Trisha Brown
Address: 17 Windsor Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Food Service Helper Substitute
Effective: September 6, 2011
Salary: \$9.50 per hour