

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



MINUTES

**March 30, 2010
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. Casey at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (7-0), to **enter** executive session to discuss contract negotiations and employment matters relating to particular persons at 7:01 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Kiehle, and carried unanimously (7-0), to **adjourn** executive session at 7:32 p.m.

2. PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Casey led the pledge to the flag.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Ms. Jaquish, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the minutes of the regular meeting on March 16, 2010, be approved.

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

- Complimented Mrs. Jill Penn, Associate Principal of Sand Creek Middle School, on the presentation of the Olweus Anti-Bullying Program given at the PTA Brunch earlier this month. Mrs. Penn also appeared on Channel 9 News with information on the same program.
- Notified the board members of the death of Norman Dennis, M.D., former South Colonie Board of Education member (1962-1976) who also served as President of the Board from 1971 to 1975.
- Congratulations to: Kyle Plante (Grade 10) won an individual state championship in indoor track, Girls Bowling team also won a state championship, Boys Bowling team finished 2nd in the state overall and had a number of 8th graders competing.
- Noted that the American Legion donated \$1,000 to the Sand Creek Drama Club.
- Attended the Sand Creek drama production “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown” and commended all students and staff for a fine job.
- Commended everyone who has been involved in designing and constructing the new District website.

Mr. Ryan:

- Advised board members that the Facilities Committee has completed the inside building walk thrus and lists of future projects and items to be considered are being compiled. Outside walk thrus will be scheduled when weather improves.
- Attended the high school PTSA craft fair held on March 27.
- Notified board members of the death of Philip Foote, former music teacher in the District.

Mr. Domenici:

- Has been attending several BOCES committee meetings and working on budgets, etc. Reminded board members of the annual BOCES meeting to be held on Thursday, April 15.

Mr. Dunn:

- Attended the Sand Creek drama production “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown” and commended all students and staff for a fine job.

Mr. Kiehle:

- Participated in the walk thru at Veeder Elementary School
- Attended Line ‘N’ Cue’s presentation of “The Fantasticks” and commended all of the talented students who participated.

Mr. Johanning:

- Attended Sand Creek’s drama presentation - “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown”
- Attended Line ‘N’ Cue’s drama presentation – “The Fantasticks”
- Attended the PTA Brunch and also commended Mrs. Penn on her presentation of the Olweus program.
- Noted that he and Mr. Buhner met with Assemblyman Robert Reilly to discuss state aid and budget difficulties.

B. **No Requests** to speak.

5. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY**A. Budget Review**

Mr. Buhner and Mrs. Miller reviewed the 2nd draft of the 2010-2011 budget.

B. Board Committee Reports

The Graduation Committee and Town of Colonie Planning Committee have met since the last board meeting. Committee chairperson reported on the meetings and made recommendations to the full Board.

6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

The Superintendent recommended approval of the following:

A. Committee on Special Education

1. Placements as indicated on the attached sheets.

B. Seminar on Educational Issues

1. Three (3) contact hours of credit for participation in “Hispanic Students in Context” (SD#2009-10-82), sponsored by Greater Capital Region Teacher Center, to be held March 9 and 16, 2010, from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. each day at Ichabod Crane Middle School. Stacey Swanson (Sand Creek) is the contact person.

C. In-Service Courses

1. One (1.0) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 15-contact hour course “Raising Readers: Preparing Preschoolers for Success (#09-10-63). The online course is sponsored by PBS TeacherLine from March 31 to May 11, 2010. Jennifer Satin (Shaker Road) is the contact person.
2. One (1.0) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 15-contact hour course “Raising Readers: Ready to Read and Write with Digital Media (#09-10-64). The online course is sponsored by PBS TeacherLine from March 31 to May 11, 2010. Jennifer Satin (Shaker Road) is the contact person.
3. One (1.0) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 15-contact hour course “Raising Readers: Ready to Spark Word Power (#09-10-65). The online course is sponsored by PBS TeacherLine from March 31 to May 11, 2010. Jennifer Satin (Shaker Road) is the contact person.
4. One-half (.5) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 7.5 contact hour course “Sunviewer and Solar Learning Lab Workshop” (#09-10-66). The course is sponsored by NYSEDA and will be held Saturday, April 17, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Colonie Central High School. Barry Witte (CCHS) is the contact person.

D. Use of School Buses

Use of school buses by the Town of Colonie Youth Bureau, 1653 Central Avenue, Albany NY 12205, for the Holiday Happenings Program, as follows:

1. Two (2) buses on Monday, April 5, 2010, for transportation to the Steamer 10 Theater, departing at 9:15 a.m. and returning at approximately 12:00 noon.
2. Two (2) buses on Tuesday, April 6, 2010, for transportation to Latham Greens Mini Golf, departing at 11:30 a.m. and returning at approximately 3:00 p.m.
3. Two (2) buses on Thursday, April 8, 2010, for transportation to Colonie Center movie theater, departing at 12:00 noon and returning at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Drivers’ wages and mileage fees will be in accordance with the District’s fee and rate schedule.

E. Contracts

1. Contract, under Section 3202(5)(d) of New York State Education Law, with United Cerebral Palsy and Handicapped Persons Association of the Utica Area, Inc., 1020 Mary Street, Utica, NY 13501, and South Colonie Central School District, to provide educational services, including transportation, during the school year and shall be deemed automatically renewed for any subsequent school year, unless this agreement is deemed invalid or null and void as provided in the fifth or seventh paragraphs.
2. Contract with the Guilderland Central School District to provide Health and Welfare Services to six (6) South Colonie resident students attending Christ the King School for 2009-10 school year at a cost of \$584.19 per student. The total cost of this contract shall be \$3,505.14.

F. Donation

1. Knilling violin, Serial #90517, valued at \$650.00, donated by Elizabeth Sears.

G. Clerk's and Treasurer's Reports – February 2010

Motion by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Domenici, 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. Ryan, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated March 30, 2010, be approved.

8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT

Motion made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Johanning, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated March 30, 2010, be approved.

9. POLICIES**Approval:**

Policy 4110 2010-2011 School Calendar

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

10. RESOLUTIONS

National Library Week – April 4-10, 2010

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

11. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mr. Buhner acknowledged the following people present at the meeting: Director of Human Resources David Seaver, SCTA President Jeff Dutcher.

12. FUTURE MEETINGS

- March 31 – Accountability & Board Operations Committee – 7:30 a.m. – Wolf Rd Diner
- April 2-9 – *Spring Recess – Schools Closed*
- April 20 – Graduation Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- April 20 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- April 22 – Facilities Committee -7:30 a.m. – Wolf Road Diner
- April 26 – **Special Board Meeting:** Annual BOCES Vote – 5:45 p.m. – District Office
- April 26 – Policy Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- April 28 – Strategic Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- May 4 – Audit-Finance Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- May 4 – PUBLIC HEARING on Budget – 7:00 p.m. – Saddlewood Cafetorium
followed by Board of Education Meeting at District Office
- May 7 – Information Technology Committee – 7:30 a.m. – Wolf Road Diner
- May 18 – Budget Vote & Board Election – 11 am to 9 pm – All Elementary Schools
- May 25 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office

13. ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Domenici, seconded by Mr. Ryan, and carried unanimously (7-0), that the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Joyce Gay
District Clerk
04/07/2010

A. Long Term Substitute

1. Name: Kathleen Collopy
Address: 194 Methodist Farm Road, Averill Park, NY 12018
Type: Long Term Substitute
Teaching Area: Social Studies
Building: Sand Creek Middle School
Effective Date: March 23, 2010
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 2
Education: B.S. from the College of St. Rose
Certification: Initial in Social Studies 7-12

2. Name: Mary Nealon
Address: 37 Lawnridge Avenue, Albany, NY 12208
Type: Long Term Substitute
Teaching Area: Foreign Language
Building: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: March 16, 2010
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 1
Education: B.S. from the College of St. Rose
Certification: Initial in Spanish 7-9

3. Name: Andrea Eriksen
Address: 767 S. Main Street, Northville, NY 12134
Type: Long Term Substitute
Teaching Area: Science
Building: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: March 29, 2010
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 1
Education: B.A. from LeTourneau University
Certification: Pending Initial in Physics 7-12

B. Substitute Teachers

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

C. Mentors for Teachers

Creation of the following mentor for the 2009-10 school year:

- (1) Mentor

Appointment of the following previously approved position at the approved rate of compensation for the 2009-10 school year:

Mark Teter 0.5

A. Appointments

1. Name: Edward R. Goedtel, Jr.
Address: 5951 East Old State Road, Schenectady, New York 12303
Position: Probationary Automotive Mechanic I
Effective: April 1, 2010
Salary: Schedule M, Step 2, per CSEA Contract
Hours: 8.0 hours per day
Current Location: Bus Garage
Probationary Period: April 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010

2. Name: Lisa M. Meurs
Address: 170A Old Niskayuna Road, Latham, New York 12110
Position: Clerk Typist I-Part Time (Substitute)
Effective: March 31, 2010
Salary: \$9.75 per hour

3. Name: Lois A. Schultz
Address: 91 Lowell Street, Albany, New York 12205
Position: Food Service Helper Substitute
Effective: March 31, 2010
Salary: \$9.35 per hour

4. Name: Angela Bombard
Address: 34 Emerick Lane, Loudonville, New York 12211
Position: School Monitor Substitute
Effective: March 31, 2010
Salary: \$9.00 per hour

5. Name: Cheryl L. Snay
Address: 6 Springwood Court, Clifton Park, New York 12065
Position: School Nurse Substitute
Effective: March 31, 2010
Salary: \$16.50 per hour

B. Ratification of Contract

Approval of the Agreement by and between the Superintendent of South Colonie Central Schools District and the South Colonie TEAMSTERS Unit, Local 294, effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2014.