

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



MINUTES
September 7, 2010
Colonie High School
Library
7:30 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 meeting of the South Colonie Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Casey at 7:25 p.m.

Roll Call

Brian Casey	<u>Present</u>	Robert Domenici	<u>Excused</u>	Richard Dunn	<u>Present</u>
Paul Gordon	<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>

Also present: Superintendent Jonathan W. Buhner, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services Beverly Miller.

2. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEM

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

3. PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Casey led the pledge to the flag.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the minutes of the meeting on **August 31, 2010**, be approved.

5. COMMUNICATIONS**A. Correspondence/Board Activities**

All board members present indicated that they attended the high school's Academic Recognition held in the auditorium at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Board of Education meeting and were very pleased with the event.

Mr. Ryan:

- Attended the year-end picnic for the Buildings & Grounds staff held at Shaker Road School on Thursday, September 2.
- Toured the buildings and commended the custodial staff for the work they have done to prepare classrooms for the opening of school.
- Noted that the new Veterans Hall of Fame looks great

B. No Requests to speak.**6. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY****A. District Goals / Visions**

The **2009-10 District Goals Progress Report** was presented to the Board by Mr. Buhner. He also reviewed the **2010-11 District Goals/Visions** and recommended this document for adoption by the Board under Item #11.

7. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

The Superintendent recommended approval of the following:

A. Committee on Special Education

Placements as indicated on the attached sheets.

B. In-Service Courses

1. Three (3.0) in-service credits for participation in and completion of the 45-contact hour course "Reading and Writing Across the Content Areas – ENY 801" (#10-11-30), sponsored by NYSUT and Adelphi University. The online course will begin October 4, 2010, and the contact person is Kristi Picard (CCHS).

C. Contracts

1. A contract with Wildwood Programs (Learning Disabilities Associates of the Capital Region) to provide educational services for five (5) South Colonie resident students for the 2010-11 school year at an interim rate of \$43,867.00 per student.
2. A contract with Northeast Parent and Child Society, 530 Franklin Street, Schenectady, New York, to provide day treatment for one (1) South Colonie student at the tuition rates set per SED Commissioner's Regulations.
3. A contract with St. Catherine's Center for Children to provide educational services for one (1) South Colonie School District student placed with that Agency. Tuition costs for the 2010-11 school year shall be \$3,444.30 per month.

D. Use of School Bus

1. One (1) school bus by the Fuller Road Fire Department on Saturday, September 11, 2010, for round-trip transportation to the Coxsackie Fire Department. Driver's wages and mileage fees will be in accordance with the District's fee and rate schedule.

E. Transportation Contracts

1. Award transportation contracts for private and parochial schools for the 2010-11 school year to lowest responsible bidders:

<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>ANNUAL COST</u>	<u>COST PER MILE</u>
<i>Chalet Services, Inc.</i>		
<u>3206 Rt #81, Surprise NY 12176</u>		
#2 Mt. Moriah	\$12,420.00	\$2.00
#3 Colonie Central High School	\$20,020.00	\$2.00
*Special Ed student requires small van for transport		
<i>Gateway Transportation</i>		
<u>265 Mohawk Ave., Scotia NY 12302</u>		
#4 BOCES Scotia-Glenville	\$17,290.00	\$3.0

2. Award extension of transportation contracts for the 2010-11 school year. The state-approved CPI rate is 2.2%.

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<i>Chalet Services, Inc.</i>		
<u>3206 Rt #81, Surprise NY 12176</u>		
#5E Crossroads for Children	\$19,397.22	\$3.51
#8E Parson’s Family & Child Center	\$27,226.08	\$3.32
#17E BOCES – Questar III	\$12,763.76	\$1.99
<i>Durham School Services</i>		
<u>830 South Pearl St., Albany NY 12202</u>		
#7E Langan Center	\$31,376.22	\$1.89
Required Aide	\$13,576.65	
<i>Folmsbee Transportation</i>		
<u>1 Industry Drive, Waterford NY 12188</u>		
#1E BOCES – Bethlehem HS	\$16,546.18	\$2.71
#28E Center for the Disabled*	\$27,562.32	\$3.07
*Cost includes required aide		
<i>Star & Strand Transportation</i>		
<u>415 Fulton Street, Troy NY 12180</u>		
#13E Maywood-BOCES w/Aide	\$18,749.20	\$3.72
#15E Northeast Parent & Child	\$16,093.43	\$3.56

3. A cooperative transportation contract between the Shenendehowa Central School District and South Colonie Central School District for transportation to the Rome School for the Deaf on Monday mornings and Friday afternoons from the South Colonie transfer spot at Colonie Center at a cost of \$13,554.55. Transportation will begin on September 10, 2010, and end on June 24, 2011.

4. A cooperative transportation contract between the North Colonie Central School District and the South Colonie Central School District for transportation to LaSalle School in Troy to St. Pius where they will transfer onto South Colonie buses. In exchange South Colonie agrees to transport North Colonie students to Holy Names to St. Gregory’s School in Loudonville where they will transfer onto a North Colonie bus. The cost of this contract shall be \$0.00. Transportation will begin on September 10th and end on June 24, 2011.

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

8. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION

Motion made by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Gordon, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated September 7, 2010, be approved.

9. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT

Motion made by Mr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated September 7, 2010, be approved.

10. RESOLUTIONS

Native American Day – September 24, 2010

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

11. 2010-11 GOALS / VISIONS

Motion made by Mr. Motto, seconded by Ms. Jaquish, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the 2010-11 District Goals/Visions be adopted as presented.

12. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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

13. FUTURE MEETINGS

- September 21, 2010 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – **CCHS Library**
includes Tenured Teacher Reception @ 6:30 pm
- September 22, 2010 – District Communications Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- September 24, 2010 – Facilities Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- September 27, 2010 – Policy Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- October 5, 2010 – Audit/Finance Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- October 5, 2010 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- October 13, 2010 – Information Technology Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
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14. ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Motto, and carried unanimously (8-0), that the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

A. Appointments

1. Name: Courtney Connor
Address: 1187 VanAntwerp Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Type: 2 Year Probationary
Tenure Area: Special - Teaching Assistant
Location: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: August 31, 2010
End of Probationary Period: August 30, 2012
Salary: As per SCTA TA contract
Certification Status: Teaching Assistant

2. Name: Debra McKenna
Address: 9 Darrens Way, Albany, NY 12205
Type: 3 Year Probationary
Tenure Area: Special - Teaching Assistant
Location: Sand Creek Middle School
Effective Date: August 31, 2010
End of Probationary Period: August 30, 2013
Salary: As per SCTA TA contract
Certification Status: Professional in Childhood Education (1-6)

B. Temporary Part-Time Appointments

1. Name: Angelica Robinson
Address: 508 Foxwood Drive, Clifton Park, NY 12065
Type: Temporary Part-Time (.80)
Teaching Area: Science (Physics)
Location: Colonie Central High School/Lisha Kill Middle School
Effective Date: August 31, 2010
Ending Date: June 30, 2011
Salary: Schedule II, Step 10 (pro-rated)
Education: B.S. from Youngstown State, M.A. from Nova Southeastern
Certification Status: Conditional Initial in Physics (7-12)

C. Long-Term Replacements

1. Name: Jonali Bulsiewicz
Address: 54 Hampshire Way, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Type: Long Term Replacement
Teaching Area: Foreign Language
Location: Lisha Kill Middle School
Effective Date: August 31, 2010
Ending Date: June 30, 2011
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 3
Education: B.A., B.S. from SUNY Oswego; M.A. from SUNY Albany
Certification: Initial in French (7-12), Initial in French Extension (1-6)

2. Name: Kristen Karbowski
Address: 2 Mountain View Terrace, Apt. 10, Latham, NY 12110
Type: Long Term Replacement
Teaching Area: Elementary Education
Location: Forest Park Elementary School
Effective Date: October 4, 2010
Ending Date: January 31, 2011
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 3 (pro-rated)
Education: B.A. from Siena; M.S. from Saint Rose
Certification: Initial in Childhood Education (1-6); Early Childhood Ed (B-2)

D. Substitute Teachers

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

E. Department Chairpersons – 2010-11 School Year

Per the SCTA Contract:

Special Education PreK-6 Nancy Marmet

F. Subject Coordinators – 2010-11 School Year

Per Board of Education Policy 9290:

Mentor Program (Elementary) Virginia MacPhee
Mentor Program (Secondary) Thomasa Nielsen

G. Interscholastics for Fall – 2010-11 School Year

Rescind the appointments of the following previously approved positions:

Colonie Central High School

Assistant Coach Girls Varsity Volleyball Dan DeMarco
Coach Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Teri Fay

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

Colonie Central High School

Assistant Coach Girls Varsity Volleyball Katie Chandler
Coach Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Dan DeMarco

A. Create Position

Effective 9/1/10 – 6/30/11:

0.75 6.0 Hour Temporary School Monitor (FP)

B. Resignations

1. Name: Karen Willey
Position: School Monitor (SC)
Effective: August 26, 2010
Reason: Personal

2. Name: Marisa Rotondaro
Position: School Monitor (SC)
Effective: August 31, 2010
Reason: Personal

C. Appointments

1. Name: Dawn Decker
Address: 16 Benjamin Lane, Albany, NY 12205
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2010 to June 30, 2011
Salary: \$11.30 per hour
Hours: 6.5 hours per day
Current Location: Colonie Central High School

2. Name: Anthony Priore
Address: 5 Front Avenue, Albany, NY 12203
Position: Temporary School Monitor
Effective: August 31, 2010 to June 30, 2011
Salary: \$10.82 per hour
Hours: 7 hours per day
Current Location: Colonie Central High School

3. Name: Steven Van Gelder
Address: 7 Surfwood Drive, Albany, NY 12203
Position: Break in Bus Driver
Effective: September 1, 2010
Salary: Not paid during training

D. Change of Title

1. Name: Arlene Mirabile
Address: 28 Melissa Court, Albany, NY 12205
Position Change: Head Cook to Cook Manager I (All School Districts)
Effective: August 17, 2010
Salary: Schedule O, Step 10
Hours: 7 hours per day
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School

2. Name: Sharon Newell
Address: 623 Fillmore Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12304
Position Change: Head Cook to Cook Manager I (All School Districts)
Effective: August 17, 2010
Salary: Schedule O, Step 12
Hours: 7 hours per day
Current Location: Colonie Central High School
3. Name: Geri Juracka
Address: 1461 Via Del Mar, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Position Change: Head Cook to Cook Manager I (All School Districts)
Effective: August 17, 2010
Salary: Schedule O, Step 4
Hours: 7 hours per day
Current Location: Lisha Kill Middle School
4. Name: Suzanne Miller
Address: 46 Hackett Avenue, Albany, NY 12205
Position Change: Head Cook to Cook Manager I (All School Districts)
Effective: August 17, 2010
Salary: Schedule O, Step 12
Hours: 7 hours per day
Current Location: Sand Creek Middle School

E. Change of Hours*Effective September 1, 2010:*

Sandy Sherwood Bus Driver 6.0 hours per day to 8.0 hours per day BG

Effective September 2, 2010:

Rich Gavigan Bus Driver 6.0 hours per day to 8.0 hours per day BG