

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



MINUTES

May 3, 2011

Saddlewood School

Executive Session: 6:30 p.m.

Budget Hearing: 7:00 p.m.



District Office

Open Meeting: 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 at Saddlewood Library Media Center

The meeting of the South Colonie Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Casey at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Also present: Superintendent Jonathan Buhner, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services Beverly Miller, and District Clerk Joyce Gay.

Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Gordon, seconded by Ms. Jaquish, and carried unanimously (9-0), to **enter** executive session to discuss pending litigation at 6:31 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Domenici, seconded by Mr. Gordon, and carried unanimously (9-0), to **adjourn** executive session at 6:55 p.m.

Public Hearing on Recommended Budget convened at 7:00 p.m. and adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

The Regular Meeting continued at the District Office at 7:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Casey led the pledge to the flag.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Motto, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (9-0), that the minutes of the regular meeting on April 27, 2011, be approved.

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

- Reported that he received a letter from the officers of the CCHS Robotics Team giving statistics from the recent competitions in which the Team participated.

Mr. Ryan:

- Reported that he had been in touch with retired long-time school bus driver, Micki McAllister, who recently had major surgery to correct two brain aneurysms. She is now at home and making good progress in her recovery.

Mr. Domenici:

- Updated the board members on his son who is serving in Afghanistan. Sgt. Domenici and two other soldiers were hit by an IED. He suffered severe head trauma and a badly bruised upper torso but is now recovering well and should be back on the lines within five weeks.

- Reported on activities and progress of the NYS Municipal Benefit Corporation where he serves as part of the BOCES Board.

Mr. Kiehle:

- Attended the Poetry Slam at the Barnes & Noble store in Colonie Center

Mr. Johanning:

- Attended the Capital Region BOCES Annual Meeting on April 14
- Attended the CCHS softball teams' fund raiser at Chili's on April 18
- Attended the SEPTA Resource Fair
- Attended the SEPTA meeting on April 26 and the CCHS PTSA meeting on May 2
- Attended the PTA Council meeting on April 25

B. **No Requests** to speak.

5. **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY**

A. **K-12 Science Program Update**

Administrators Greg Bearup and Chris Leahey presented updates on the K-8 and 9-12 Science programs.

B. **School Report Card**

Assistant Superintendent Tim Backus presented the New York State School Report Card for 2009-10, which reports student performance on state assessments, attendance data and demographics.

C. **Board Committee Reports**

The Graduation and Information Technology Committees have met since the last board meeting. Committee chairpersons reported on the meetings and made recommendations to the full Board.

6. **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following:

A. **Committee on Special Education**

Placements as indicated on the attached sheets.

Motion made by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Motto, and carried unanimously (9-0), that the above stated **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS** be approved.

7. **PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION**

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Dunn, and carried unanimously (9-0), that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated May 3, 2011, be approved.

8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT

NO ITEMS FOR SUPPORT STAFF

9. RESOLUTION

The South Colonie Central Schools Board of Education hereby nominates Lynne Lenhardt as Area 7 Director of the New York State School Boards Association for a two-year term commencing January 1, 2012.

Motion made by Mr. Domenici, seconded by Ms. Jaquish, and carried unanimously (9-0), that the above resolution be approved.

10. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mr. Buhner acknowledged the following people present at the meeting: SCTA President Jeff Dutcher and Administrators Greg Bearup and Chris Leahey.

11. FUTURE MEETINGS

- May 11, 2011 – Transportation Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- May 17, 2011 – Annual Budget Vote & Board Election – 11 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
at Forest Park, Roessleville, Saddlewood, Shaker Road, & Veeder Schools
- May 24, 2011 – Graduation Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- May 24, 2011 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- June 1, 2011 – Facilities Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District office
- June 2, 2011 – Academic Achievement Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- June 2, 2011 – Policy Committee – 5:30 p.m. – District Office
- June 7, 2011 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – CCHS Library
- June 21, 2011 – Policy Committee – 6:00 p.m. – District Office
- June 21, 2011 – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- June 22, 2011 – Information Technology Committee – 7:30 a.m. – District Office
- June 30, 2011 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – District Office
- July 12, 2011 – Re-Organizational/Regular Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

12. ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Gordon, and carried unanimously (9-0), that the regular meeting be adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Joyce Gay
District Clerk
05/19/2011

A. Leaves of Absence

1. Name: Maureen Musto
Position: Special Education Teacher
Type: Child Care Leave
Location: Lisha Kill Middle School
Effective Date: April 26, 2011
Ending Date: May 30, 2011

B. Long-Term Replacements

1. Name: Nicole Provost
Address: 1005 Rose Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303
Type: Long Term Replacement
Teaching Area: Special Education
Location: Lisha Kill Middle School
Effective Date: April 26, 2011
Ending Date: May 30, 2011
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 1 (pro-rated)
Education: B.S. from College of St. Rose, M.S. from SUNY Albany
Certification: Initial in Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6)

C. Resignation

1. Name: Stacey Wranesh-Roberts
Position: Remedial Reading Teacher
Location: Roessleville Elementary School
Effective Date: July 1, 2011
Reason: Accepted another position within the District

D. Appointments

1. Name: Stacey Wranesh-Roberts
Address: PO Box 764, Glens Falls, NY 12801
Type: 3 Year Probationary
Tenure Area: Administrator
Location: Saddlewood Elementary School
Effective Date: July 1, 2011
End of Probationary Period: June 30, 2014
Salary: As per attached confidential sheet
Certification Status: Professional as School District Leader

E. Substitute Teachers

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