

COOPERSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

DATE: May 20, 2009

KIND OF MEETING: Regular

PLACE: Library, Middle/High School

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rosemary Craig, President, Susan L. Mulligan, Vice-President,  
David C. Borgstrom, Paula M. Greene, Mary B. Leonard,  
Theresa J. Russo, Anthony J. Scalici

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Jo A. McPhail, Superintendent of Schools  
James A. Collison, Business Manager  
Amy B. Kukenberger, Interim High School Principal  
Michael G. Cring, Middle School Principal/Director of PE,  
Health and Athletics  
Teresa L. Gorman, Elementary Principal

President Craig called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Lisa Mooney commented on the make-up of the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Study Group that is being appointed. Carol Oliver commented on recent letters to the editor.

Mrs. Susan Pikarsky and Mrs. Mary Harmon, Project Prom Co-Chairs, gave a presentation on the 2009 Project Prom. Mrs. Pikarsky stated that Project Prom would take place on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 PM to 5:00 AM at the Clark Sports Center. She then reviewed fund raising, activities, food, and committee chairs. Mrs. Harmon talked about the Prom and cleanup. She noted that they have rented the Glimmerglass Queen to be available for rides and that the trolleys will transport students to Lakefront. Questions and discussion followed. Mrs. Craig thanked her for coming to the meeting and for all of their hard work organizing a wonderful evening for the seniors.

Mrs. Craig turned the meeting over to Mr. Peter Loyola and Mr. Michael Schreiber, CLA Site, for a presentation on the Linden Avenue project. Mr. Loyola presented drawings of the Preferred Alternative, the Property Acquisition, Parcel Ownership, and Land Use. He also reviewed the existing conditions, the preferred alternative, benefits to the school, property acquisitions, and funding. He stated that they are requesting a letter of intent that the Cooperstown Central School District is willing to transfer property to the Village. Questions and discussion followed.

Mrs. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan, moved approval of the minutes of the Annual Budget Hearing of May 6, 2009.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mr. Scalici, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, moved approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of May 6, 2009.

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Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan presented the following warrants: School Lunch Fund dated May 8, 2009, WN-84 dated May 8, 2009, and SN-85 dated May 8, 2009, for Board information.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved approval of the Monthly Treasurer's Reports for the period April 1, 2009 to April 30, 2009, as follows:

Trust & Agency Fund Account	Total Available Balance	24,409.30
CD's	421,571.00	
Prize	40,570.20	
School Lunch Fund Account	Total Available Balance	47,939.50
General Fund Account	Total Available Balance	135,245.61
NBT	3,914,411.19	
JPM	233,448.49	
Citizens	148,256.12	
Federal Fund Account	Total Available Balance	27,837.38
Capital Fund Account	Total Available Balance	12,557.79
Payroll Account	Total Available Balance	-0-

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Craig reported the results of the budget vote and school board election as follows: a total of 433 residents voted, the Budget passed 312 to 113, and Noreen Polus received 339 votes, Anthony Scalici received 321 votes, and Mikal Sky-Shrewsberry received 304 votes.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, moved to authorize the Superintendent to sign the agreement with the Village of Cooperstown to allow the Village use of the Elementary School parking lot during the summer of 2009.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved approval of Budget Transfer Schedule #5 dated May 11, 2009.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved approval of Change Order GC-1 at an increase of \$4,411.00 and authorization for the Superintendent of Schools to sign.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mrs. Greene, moved approval of the 2009-2010 Budget Calendar, as prepared by Mr. Collison, Business Manager.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved approval of the Service Agreement with Bonadio & Co., LLP for the year ending June 30, 2009. A copy of the agreement is on file with the minutes of this meeting.

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Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, moved approval of the request from the Village of Cooperstown for an easement across properties of Cooperstown Central School for installation of underground sewer line with an addition of ensuring the property be returned to the original condition and that the work occur at a time that meets with our approval.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved approval of the Capital Fund Bill Schedule – SN-90 dated May 14, 2009 totaling \$80,095.51 as follows:

Midlantic Environmental	11,400.00
Titan Development, Inc.	68,695.51

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan gave a report on the Operations, Grounds, and Audit Committee meeting of May 20, 2009.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of Mrs. Amy Kukenberger, Science Teacher, effective June 30, 2009 pending her appointment to the position of School Business Administrator/Building Administrator.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mr. Scalici. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Mrs. Bridget Bertram as a part-time (.5 FTE) Special Education Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Mrs. Sarah Bush as a part-time (.5 FTE) Remedial Math Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Greene. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Mrs. Katherine Lambert as a part-time (.5 FTE) Special Education Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

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Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Greene. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Dr. Daphne Monie as a part-time (.6 FTE) Science Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Leonard. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, pursuant to Section 3012 of the Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 Rules of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Mrs. Amy Kukenberger to the 12-month position of School Business Administrator/Building Administrator in the administrative tenure area for the first year of a three-year probationary period to commence on July 1, 2009 and to expire on June 30, 2012; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that during the first year of this appointment be paid at an annual salary of \$75,000 and in addition she be appointed to the position of Treasurer effective July 1, 2009 at a stipend of \$7,643.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Mr. Jay Baldo to the position of Athletic Coordinator, effective July 1, 2009 for the 2009-2010 school year and at a stipend of \$4,000., and up to (15) days in the summer at the regular summer per diem stipend.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Mrs. Linda Lionetti to the 10 month, full-time (6 hours per day) position of Teacher Aide for a probationary period of 52 weeks, effective September 2, 2009; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that during her first year of appointment be paid at the rate of \$12.13 per hour, as stipulated in the Service Unit Contract.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Craig, seconded by Mrs. Leonard. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby grant an administrative internship to Ms. Jenna Bartow, a member of the Cooperstown Central School District teaching staff and a candidate for School Building Leader certificate at the College of Saint Rose, as a Building Administrator in the Elementary School commencing on September 2, 2009 - June 24, 2010. The internship is to be supervised jointly by Ms. Teresa Gorman and a supervisor from College of St. Rose

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

The Board acknowledged the administrative assignment of the following substitutes for the 2008-2009 school year: Roger Erway – Cleaner and Christopher Dennis – Bus Driver.

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Mr. Scalici, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan, moved approval of the 2009 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Study Group as follows:

Kristin Butler and Jennifer Rightmyer	Teachers
Christine McBrearty-Hulse and Katie Baldo	Guidance Counselors
Martha Heneghan and Maureen Micek	Parents
Teresa Gorman and Michael Cring	Principals
TBD	At Large Member

Ayes 6                      Noes 1 (Mrs. Mulligan)                      Motion carried.

Mr. Scalici gave a report on the Curriculum and Instruction Committee meeting on May 13, 2009.

Mrs. Leonard announced the following District events: May 20 – Middle School Art Show and Concert at 8:00 PM, May 25 – No School – Memorial Day Holiday, June 1 – High School Spring Concert at 8:00 PM, June 2 – Concert weather date, and June 3-6 – Senior Trip.

Mrs. McPhail presented the Senior Class Activities Memo, for Board information.

Mrs. McPhail gave an update on the ONC BOCES District Superintendent. She stated that there are two finalists: Dr. Raymond Bryant and Mr. Nicholas Savin.

Mrs. McPhail presented the 2009/2010 District-wide Responsibilities, for Board information.

Upon the recommendation of Mrs. McPhail, Dr. Borgstrom, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan, moved approval of the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education as listed in the minutes of the meetings on April 29, April 30, May 5, May 6, and May 8, 2009.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Mulligan, moved approval of the resolution setting the Cooperstown Central School District Board of Education Reorganization meeting for July 8, 2009.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Craig presented the Quarterly VanHorne Scholarship Investment Report dated April 30, 2009.

Mrs. Craig presented the Quarterly Thayer Family Scholarship Investment Report dated April 30, 2009.

Mrs. Craig presented the Quarterly Elizabeth White Scholarship Investment Report dated April 30, 2009.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mrs. Greene, moved approval of the Clark Sports Center Use Agreement for the period August 15, 2009 through June 30, 2010 with the addition of a statement regarding a refund if the contract is canceled.

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Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mrs. Mulligan, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved approval of the regular Board meeting dates and times for 2009-2010 as follows:

July 8 – 7:00 PM	January 13 – 5:00 PM
August 19 – 7:00 PM	February 3 – 5:00 PM
September 2 and 16 – 7:00 PM	March 3 and 17 – 7:00 PM
October 7 and 21 – 7:00 PM	April 7 and 28 – 7:00 PM
November 4 and 18 – 7:00 PM	May 5 and 19 – 7:00 PM
December 9 – 5:00 PM	June 9 – 7:00 PM

Annual Budget Hearing - May 5, 2010 – 6:30 PM  
Budget Vote and Board Election - May 18, 2010 – 11AM - 8PM

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Noreen Polus commented that the Board should send a letter to thank the public for supporting the budget and prepare them for no stimulus money in the future.

Under President's Comments, Mrs. Craig announced the following: next regular Board meeting on June 10, 2009, BOE Committee Year End Reports due on June 10, 2009, and new Board of Education member orientation.

Mrs. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Scalici, moved to recess to executive session for personnel in order to discuss the employment history of particular persons at 8:55 PM.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Mr. Scalici, seconded by Mrs. Greene, moved to return to the business of the regular meeting at 10:40 PM.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

Dr. Borgstrom, seconded by Mrs. Greene, immediately moved to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes 7                      Noes 0                      Motion carried.

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Clerk