

**MINUTES**  
**CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, August 22, 2011**

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**PURPOSE** A special school board meeting of the Board of Directors of the Catasauqua Area School District was held on Monday, August 22, 2011 in the District Administration Office Board Room. Treasurer Donald Panto called the meeting to order at 5:06 P.M.

**ROLL CALL** Members present: Duane Deitrich, Mary Alice Hartranft, Carol McCarthy, Donald Panto, Sally J. Reiss (arrived at 5:08 P.M.), and Patricia Snyder

Member absent: Carol Cunningham, Penny Hahn, and Robert Levine

Non-members present: Robert J. Spengler, Superintendent  
David Ascani, High School Principal  
David Domchek, Assistant High School Principal  
Bryan Klass, Assistant Middle School Principal  
David Knerr, Solicitor  
Taylor Augustine, Student Representative

Visitors: See list inserted in Permanent Minute Book

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

**At this time – 5:08 P.M. – Board Member Sally J. Reiss arrived at the meeting.**

**PRESENTATIONS/  
AUDIENCE INPUT  
ON AGENDA**

1. Dress Code Policy Update - Administration
2. Bryan Klass, Middle School Assistant Principal  
There was an assignment regarding hooded sweatshirts missed in the middle school policy and it will be added.
- 3.. Renee Adams – 24 Covington Drive, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – snuggie shirt
4. Kathy Fink – 235 Walnut Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Thank you to parents on dress code committee
5. Deb Becker – 1104 Fifth Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – zero tolerance – five consequences is too much
6. Gwen Chua, 2281 Irma Drive, Allentown, PA 18109  
Dress code issues – yoga pants, clothing with studs, i.e. pointed
7. Christle Brewer – 895 Walnut Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – question from her neighbor regarding skirt length to knee
8. Samantha Vincent – 7 Covington Place, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – v-neck full coverage, skirts to top of knee, should be three Consequences, not five

**PRESENTATIONS/AUDIENCE INPUT ON AGENDA (continued)**

9. Monica Ryan – 65 Stonewood Place, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – piercings
10. Novella Seagreaves – 205 Front Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – should allow school to enforce it – follow through with it
11. Kimberly Sandt – 434 Race Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – holes in jeans – don't have parents called out of work and brought in on first offense
12. Tracy Farkas – 2 Covington Place, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Dress code issues – gym shorts – gym regular shorts
13. Donald Panto, school board member  
For the history on how this was brought about – visit PSBA.com publications and read the article

**APPROVAL OF  
CATASAUQUA MIDDLE  
SCHOOL HANDBOOK  
& STUDENT  
GUIDELINES 2011-2012  
SCHOOL YEAR  
DRESS CODE POLICY  
SECTION ONLY**

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Reiss, approving the **Catasauqua Middle School** student handbook and student guidelines, dress code policy section only, for the 2011-2012 school year, noting that a hooded sweat shirt is allowed with the hood down – this was missed and will be added).

Roll Call – Deitrich aye, Hartranft aye, McCarthy aye, Panto aye, Reiss aye, and Snyder aye. Zero nay. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF  
CATASAUQUA HIGH  
SCHOOL STUDENT  
HANDBOOK – 2011-2012  
SCHOOL YEAR  
DRESS CODE POLICY  
SECTION ONLY**

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Deitrich, approving the **Catasauqua High School** student handbook, dress code policy section only, for the 2011-2012 school year.

Roll Call – Deitrich aye, Hartranft aye, McCarthy aye, Panto aye, Reiss aye, and Snyder aye. Zero nay. Motion carried.

**OTHER ITEMS**

1. Barry Farkas – 2 Covington Place, Catasauqua, PA 18032  
Would like to see an additional crossing guard added at 14<sup>th</sup> & Walnut Streets.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Reiss, to adjourn meeting.  
The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally J. Reiss  
Secretary