

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
HOLLAND PATENT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009
ANNEX BOARD ROOM – 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Holland Patent Central School District was held in the Annex Board room, located in the village of Holland Patent, New York on Wednesday, April 1, 2009. Board President Mr. Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Kennedy, President
Karen Evans, Vice President
Traci Boris
Anne McGahey
Everett Stalker
Kathleen M. Davis, Superintendent of Schools
Louis D'Ambro, Assistant Superintendent
Wendy A. Lloyd, District Clerk

ALSO PRESENT

Nancy Nowicki
John Egresits
Ericka Gerace
John Bubb
Kristin Casab
Allen Hyde
Lawrence Orr
Charles Pratt
Andrew Goodelle
Willard Streiff
Dennis Geer
Joyce Trievel

VISITORS

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ABSENT

Bradley Ashcroft
Cheryl Venettozzi

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on March 18, 2009.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

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POSITIVE THOUGHTS

Mrs. Davis introduced Amanda Kahler and cheerleaders Tom Nieman and Zachary Sweet. The cheerleaders participated in the America's Greatest Heart Run and Walk on Team Amanda.

Amanda Kahler was born with congenital heart disease and has had numerous operations. She is able to participate on the cheerleading squad. She and her family have been promoting the Heart Run for years.

Mrs. Davis thanked the cheerleaders for being at the board meeting, participating on Team Amanda, supporting each other, and thinking of another student. Mrs. Davis also thanked Mrs. Kahler for her support.

High School Cheerleading coach Rebecca Shanley and cheerleaders Tom Nieman, Megan Bardo, Holly Wilson, Amanda Kahler, Danielle Destefano, Zachary Sweet, Samantha Bruns, Hayley VanAernam, Rachel Wengert, Kayla Bunal, Deanna Battles, and Kara Kotary participated in Team Amanda at the America's Greatest Heart Run and Walk.

Mrs. Davis presented Joyce Triebel with a Shining Knight award.

General William Floyd Elementary Principal Kristin Casab wrote a thank you letter to Candace Owen for organizing the GWF PTG Book Fair.

Chris Hoke wrote a thank you letter to Carol Moseman and the seven Honor Society students who assisted in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Middle School Principal Charles Pratt wrote a note to Eileen Bates for an outstanding job on her Gifted & Talented Lego Robotics Team performance at the SUNY IT Showcase on March 12th.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to Elizabeth Briggs of SUNY Institute of Technology for presenting at the Transition Presentation on March 13.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to Leslie Cornish, Learning Specialist of Herkimer County Community College, for attending the Transition Presentation on March 13.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to Judy Petroski of VESID for serving as a presenter for the Transition Presentation on March 13.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to Judy Borner, Learning Specialist at Utica College, for organizing the Transition Presentation for the students on March 13.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to AJ Mower, a student at Utica College, for his insightful presentation to the Holland Patent Students on March 13.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to Tamara Mariotti, Learning & Assistive Technology Specialist of Mohawk Valley Community College, for being a presenter at the Transition Presentation on March 13.

Holland Patent High School Principal John Egresits and resource teacher Beth Denhoff wrote a thank you letter to Clair Hayes of Mohawk Valley Community College for presenting the student's point of view at the Transition Presentation on March 13.

Superintendent of Schools Kathleen M. Davis received a thank you card from Emma Doolittle for allowing the student to attend the Pen In Hand Conference.

General William Floyd Elementary Principal Kristin Casab wrote a thank you letter to Eileen Bates for her time and dedication working with the Go Green Team on a wonderful presentation about recycling.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you letter to Ms. Leskovar and Mrs. Galster of the Central New York DDSO for presenting the Disability Awareness Puppet Show to the kindergarten and third grade students.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you letter to Carlie Stalker, Katie Harrison, Lindsay Sullivan, Riley Lanckton, Ethan Kuchler, Seth LaBarbera, and Jackie Adamo for the outstanding presentation concerning your request for an outdoor garden.

Holland Patent Elementary Principal Allen Hyde wrote a thank you letter to Beth Roczen for presenting the Irish Step Dance to the first grade students at Holland Patent Elementary.

Mrs. Davis and the administrative team attended the Wrestling Banquet at the high school this evening. She gave a special thank you to the parents and coaches and students. Benny catered the event and it was phenomenal.

Mr. James Fruscella thanked the administrative team and superintendent for promoting the wrestling team. The wrestling team had a 23 – 4 record for the season. The team was defeated by much larger school districts.

Mr. Fruscella also commented that Amanda Kahler is an inspiration to the district.

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SAFETY AWARD

Mrs. Davis introduced Michael Giacobbe from Gilroy Insurance. Mr. Giacobbe has worked with the district through Utica National Insurance. Dennis Geer was also instrumental in the district achieving this award. Kudos to Dennis Geer for the safety efforts in the district.

Mr. Giacobbe awarded a titanium level award to the District. The titanium level award is the highest level with honors. Mr. Giacobbe congratulated the Holland Patent Central School District and presented the award to Dennis Geer who accepted it on behalf of the district. Mr. Geer also noted that the district won this award because of all the safety activities that go on here. Mr. Geer commented that without the hard work from everyone this award would not be possible.

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REVIEW OF UPCOMING DATES

April 2, 2009	MS Academic Fair, 6:30 p.m.
April 3, 2009	HPE Book Fair HS Cabaret, 7:30 p.m. Elementary Music Festival @ Remsen HPE Book Fair & Family Night End of 3 rd Marking Period
April 4, 2009	HS Cabaret, 7:30 p.m. Elementary Music Festival @ Remsen
April 6, 2009	HPE Concert @ HS
April 7, 2009	HPE & GWF Kindergarten Parent Information Night
April 8, 2009	HPE & GWF Kindergarten Parent-Teacher Conferences, Dismissal at 11 a.m.
April 9, 2009	Snow day give back day – No School
April 10, 2009	Good Friday Holiday
April 13 – 17, 2009	Spring Recess
April 21, 2009	HPE & GWF Parents-Teacher Conferences Dismissal at 11 a.m. Board of Education Meeting Annex Board Room, 7 p.m.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Kennedy received two letters from Mr. Johnnie Jones.

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BOARD FORUM

Mr. Kennedy noted there was an addendum 4A Audio Recordings Proposition. Mr. Kennedy also noted the Budget Review and adoption of the budget would be tabled.

Mrs. Evans attended the International Night at the high school last week. She noted it was wonderful there were a lot of activities. She also was able to attend the High School play which was great.

Dr. Stalker attended a dance recital at the Syracuse Holiday Inn this past weekend. The Dance 10 Studio dancers in Barneveld participated in Access Broadway which was a national competition. He named the girls from Holland Patent who participated and would like to see them recognized at a future board meeting.

Dr. Stalker read a letter in public to Fran Crumb.

Mrs. Boris attended the St. Baldrick's cure for children's cancer event. She commended the administration for their role in it. She noted that Mr. Hyde and Mr. Pratt shaved their heads. She commented it was a wonderful event, the community came out in droves, and they made twice as much as their goal. It was a wonderful event. She also noted that students were taken out of school for their pictures to be taken and thanked them for that.

Mrs. Boris asked to remove #7 Summer BOE Meeting Dates, #9 2009-10 BOCES Contract for Rental of Facilities – Elementary Summer School, and #10 2009-10 BOCES Contract for Ancillary Services from consent. Mrs. Boris asked that #12 Appointments be discussed in Executive Session.

Mrs. McGahey asked to remove #6 School Board Member Proposition from consent.

08-356 **DISTRICT UPDATE**

There was no district update.

08-357 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

08-358 **VISITORS**

Charles Planow from the Town of Floyd was in attendance to voice his concerns and opposition to add two more board members.

Mr. Charles Pratt commented that we have a great district, kids, and parents.

Mr. Crumb asked Mrs. Davis where the SRO was during the fight at the high school.

Mrs. Davis referred the question to high school principal John Egresits. Mr. Egresits stated the SRO was attending to a student matter off campus.

Mr. Casey Kanclerz said he agreed with Dr. Stalker's comments, however, we need to keep the emotion out of it.

David Julian asked how many students were injured in the fight noting there are rumors in the community about the injuries.

Mr. Egresits gave a recap of the incident and noted one student had an injury to his nose and there were three students involved in the incident.

Mrs. Boris encourages the community to attend the meetings to get information and ask questions.

Mr. Kennedy commented that instead of coming to a board meeting to ask about an incident at the high school they could call the high school principal.

Mrs. Davis encouraged anyone with questions to call her office and meet with her.

08-359 **2009-10 BUDGET REVIEW**

It was the consensus of the Board to have a special meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 7 p.m. to review and adopt the 2009-10 budget.

08-360 **ADOPTION OF 2009-10 BUDGET**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to table the adoption of the budget for 2009-10 school year.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-361 **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending February 28, 2009 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-362 **BILL SCHEDULES**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to accept for payment bill schedule #10 General Fund in the amount of \$80,777.53, for the period ending April 1, 2009 and make it a matter of record.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-363 **AUDIO RECORDINGS PROPOSITION**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to adopt the following resolution regarding audio recordings at board meetings:

RESOLVED, that the proposition submitted to the District Clerk for submission to the voters at the annual meeting, requiring the Board of Education to make audio recordings of its meetings and make them available to the public, be rejected on the grounds that its purpose is not within the power of the voters.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-364 **2009-10 BOCES CONTRACT FOR RENTAL OF FACILITIES – ELEMENTARY SUMMER SCHOOL**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to approve the 2009-10 BOCES Contract for Rental of Facilities – Elementary Summer School.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-365 **2009-10 BOCES CONTRACT FOR ANCILLARY SERVICES**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to approve the 2009-10 BOCES Contract for Ancillary Services.

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-366 **SUMMER BOE MEETING DATES**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to approve the following summer meeting dates:

July 1, 2009	Reorganizational Meeting followed by regular meeting
August 5, 2009	Board Retreat
August 5, 2009	Regular meeting
August 19, 2009	Regular meeting

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER PROPOSITION

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to adopt the following resolution regarding the increase in Board of Education members:

RESOLVED that the following proposition be submitted to the voters at the Annual Meeting to be held on May 19, 2009 and that such proposition be included in the District's Notice of Annual Meeting to be published beginning April 4, 2009:

Shall the number of members of the Board of Education of the Holland Patent Central School District be increased from five (5) members to seven (7) members?

Yes – 5
No – 0 Motion Carried

08-368

**AMEND PATRICIA ANNE EDWARDS SCHOLARSHIP
SUMMER SCHOOL PRE-K APPOINTMENTS
POLICY REVIEW/APPROVAL
SALARY RECLASSIFICATIONS**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to approve/accept/adopt the following by consent:

- Approve the following policies:
 Draft #4013 Audit Committee
 Draft #4014 Auditing Claims for Payment
 Draft #4015 Annual Audit
 Draft #4016 Petty Cash Management

Approve the salary reclassifications retroactive to February 1, 2009:

NAME	CR. HR./EX. HR.	FROM STEP	CURRENT SALARY	TO STEP	NEW SALARY
Alaraz, Angela AIS - HS	3 hrs. @ \$63	D-13	\$44,197.00	D-13	\$44,197.00
		Masters	800.00	Masters	800.00
		6 hrs. @ \$63	378.00	9 hrs. @ \$63	567.00
			\$45,375.00		\$45,564.00
Andrews, Douglas Tech - HS	6 hrs. @ \$63	D-21	\$54,519.00	E-21	\$56,669.00
		Masters	800.00	Masters	800.00
		TOC 07-08	1,275.00	TOC 07-08	1,275.00
		TOC 08-09	1,290.00		\$58,744.00
		9 hrs. @ \$63	567.00		
		\$58,451.00			
DiCesare, Krista Elem - HPE	3 hrs. @ \$63	C-8	\$36,254.00	C-8	\$36,254.00
		Masters	800.00	Masters	800.00
		3 hrs. @ \$63	189.00	6 hrs. @ \$63	378.00
			\$37,243.00		\$37,432.00

Ferris, Lynda PE - HPE	6 hrs. @ \$63 Masters	B-9 9 hrs. @ \$63	\$35,950.00	C-9 Masters	\$37,492.00
			567.00		800.00
			\$36,517.00		\$38,292.00
Hosmer, Tiffany LOTE - HS/MS	3 hrs. @ \$63	B-8 6 hrs. @ \$63	\$34,761.00	B-8 9 hrs. @ \$63	\$34,761.00
			378.00		567.00
			\$32,472.00		\$35,328.00
Misner, Christian Tech - MS	3 hrs. @ \$63	C-10 Masters 12 hrs. @ \$63	\$38,732.00	D-10 Masters	\$40,326.00
			800.00		800.00
			756.00		\$41,126.00
			\$40,288.00		
O'Bryan, Daniel Science - HS	6 hrs. @ \$63	E-10 Masters 24 hrs. @ \$63	\$41,920.00	E-10 Masters 30 hrs. @ \$63	\$41,920.00
			800.00		800.00
			1,512.00		1,890.00
			\$44,232.00		\$44,610.00
Pisani, Rebecca Resource - GWF	National Board Certification	D-11 Masters 9 hrs. @ \$63	\$41,617.00	D-11 Masters 9 hrs. @ \$63 Nat'l Bd. Cert.	\$41,617.00
			800.00		800.00
			567.00		567.00
			\$42,984.00		800.00
					\$43,784.00
Popowski, Anna Elem - GWF	12 hrs. @ \$63	A-6	\$30,992.00	A-6 12 hrs. @ \$63	\$30,992.00
					756.00
					\$31,748.00
Riemenschneider, John Elem - MS	3 hrs. @ \$63	C-8 9 hrs. @ \$63	\$36,254.00	C-8 12 hrs. @ \$63	\$36,254.00
			567.00		756.00
			\$36,821.00		\$37,010.00
Roberts, Heather ELA - MS	3 hrs. @ \$63	B-9 3 hrs. @ \$63	\$35,950.00	B-9 6 hrs. @ \$63	\$35,950.00
			189.00		378.00
			\$36,139.00		\$36,328.00
Schreppel, Eileen Elem - HPE	3 hrs. @ \$63	D-18 Masters 9 hrs. @ \$63 Coord.	\$50,648.00	D-18 Masters 12 hrs. @ \$63 Coord.	\$50,648.00
			800.00		800.00
			567.00		756.00
			789.64		789.64
			\$52,804.64		\$52,993.64
Schreyer, Laura French - HS	3 hrs. @ \$63	A-9 Dept. Chair	\$34,407.00	A-9 3 hrs. @ \$63 Dept. Chair	\$34,407.00
			3,158.54		189.00
			\$37,565.54		3,158.54
					\$37,754.54
Shanley, Rebecca Spanish - HS	3 hrs. @ \$63	A-9 12 hrs. @ \$63	\$34,407.00	B-9	\$35,950.00
			756.00		
			\$35,163.00		
Siniscarco, Nicole Music - MS/GWF	6 hrs. @ \$63	B-11 9 hrs. @ \$63	\$38,238.00	C-11	\$39,972.00
			567.00		
			\$38,805.00		

Snyder, Jonathan Elem - MS	3 hrs. @ \$63	C-10 Masters	\$38,732.00	C-10 Masters	\$38,732.00
		9 hrs. @ \$63	800.00	12 hrs. @ \$63	800.00
			567.00		756.00
			\$39,532.00		\$40,288.00
Szablewski, Karen Elem - HPE	3 hrs. @ \$63	E-17 Masters	\$51,306.00	E-17 Masters	\$51,306.00
		21 hrs. @ \$63	800.00	24 hrs. @ \$63	800.00
			1,323.00		1,512.00
			\$53,429.00		\$53,618.00
Szot, Lisa Math - HS	3 hrs. @ \$63	D-16 Masters	\$48,068.00	D-16 Masters	\$48,068.00
		9 hrs. @ \$63	800.00	12 hrs. @ \$63	800.00
			567.00		756.00
			\$49,435.00		\$49,624.00

Adopt the following resolution to amend the Patricia Anne Edwards Scholarship:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, donors will be making financial contributions to a scholarship fund memorializing Patricia Anne Edwards, and

WHEREAS, the name of the scholarship shall be the Patricia Anne Edwards Legal Secretary Memorial Scholarship, and

WHEREAS, the principal and interest generated for a particular year will be used to fund a scholarship in the amount of \$500.

Now, therefore, be it resolved as follows:

RESOLVED, that the principal shall remain in the custodial care of the Holland Patent Central School District and that the assistant superintendent for business and finance for the Holland Patent Central School District shall have the authority to invest in appropriate financial vehicles the principal from contributions made from donors, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the award will be given on an annual basis to a Senior student who plans to further his/her education as a legal secretary (paralegal), or if no suitable candidate is available, to a Senior student who plans to further his/her education in the general secretarial field, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the nominees for this award will be chosen on an annual basis by the Holland Patent Central School Business Department with the finalist selected by the Senior Awards Committee, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the money awarded on an annual basis will be used for a scholarship for the post high school education of the recipient and that the amount of the scholarship will be \$500 paid from interest and, as necessary, principal of the scholarship fund.

Approve the appointment of Janet Lascurettes to the position of Pre-K Summer School Program teacher for the period of July 6 - 23, 2009 at the rate of \$35.89/hour.

Approve the appointment of Sarah Hullar to the position of Pre-K Summer School Program teacher for the period of July 6 - 23, 2009 at the rate of \$35.89/hour.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

08-369 **ENCLOSURES**

There were no comments on the enclosures.

08-370 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:19 p.m., Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to take a short recess and to return in executive session to discuss the recommendations made by the Committee on Special Education, the recommendations made by the Committee on PreSchool Special Education, the employment history of particular people, and #12 Appointments.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

At 9:09 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

08-371 **APPOINTMENTS**

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to approve the following appointments:

Appoint Diane Spadaro to the position of teacher aide, 10 month position, 6.5 hours per day, Step 1, at a rate of \$10.27 per hour, and for a probationary period of twenty-six weeks effective, April 2, 2009.

Approve the following current substitute teacher appointments at a per diem rate of Certified \$80 per day; Non-certified \$65 per day:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certified Rate \$80/day</u> <u>Non-certified Rate</u> <u>\$65/day</u>	<u>Certified</u>
Healey, Tara	10028 Coombs Road Holland Patent, NY 13354	Yes

Approve the appointment Vanessa Buono to the position of substitute art teacher at the rate or \$65 per day effective April 2, 2009. For the period exceeding twenty (20) continuous days, pay will be in accordance with Board of Education Policy #8203.

AND BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the conditional appointment of Vanessa Buono, substitute art teacher, effective April 2, 2009 be approved. The appointment is contingent upon satisfactory criminal background clearance from the Division of Criminal Justice Services and the FBI.

Appoint William Locke to the position of United States History/Government Saturday Morning Review Teacher for Saturday, May 2, 9, 16, 30, and June 6, 2009, at the rate of \$35.89/hr.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

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RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to approve the recommendations made by the Committee on Special Education which are on file.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

08-373

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

Mrs. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey to approve the recommendations made by the Committee on PreSchool Special Education which are on file.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

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ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss at this time, Mr. Evans made the motion, seconded by Mrs. McGahey, to adjourn the meeting.

Yes – 5

No – 0 Motion Carried

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:10 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex Board Room.

Wendy A. Lloyd
District Clerk