

Webutuck Board of Education held the November 19, 2007 meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Dale Culver, President

Bernadette Coniglio arrived at 8:30 pm

Joseph Herald left at 10:37 pm

Andrew Jablonsky

Susan Lounsbury left at 10:37 pm

William McGhee

John Perotti

Also Present:

Dr. Richard N. Johns, Superintendent

Linda Peters, School Business Administrator

Therese Trotter, Superintendent's Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Culver called the business meeting of November 19, 2007 to order at 7:42 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Audience members had the following comments:

There have been problems w/ the Science Teacher, it looks like things are getting worked out but communication has been a problem.

What can we do to not have this happen again?

The Superintendent responded that the retired Earth Science Teacher has come in to help in the classroom. The Science Department Head and the Science Teacher's mentor are in and out of the classroom throughout the day providing support. Lastly, the large class was split into two. The District received a couple of late resignations in August so the District needs to change the WTA contract language about resignations. Discussion ensued.

DISCUSSION

1. Superintendent and Board Goals

Discussion was moved to the end of the agenda under Board of Education.

2. Broadway Trip to NYC

Ms. Schultz gave a presentation as to the benefits of the Broadway Show Trip to New York City. The Board asked Ms. Schultz to check the dates so there is no conflict with end of the year testing and also is there a way to offer this opportunity to all students.

CONSENT AGENDA VOTE

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. The amendment offered by Mr. Culver called for removing item #1

The six Board members voted to approve the motion.½ Mr. Jablonsky abstained from the vote on the minutes as he was not in attendance at those two meetings.½ The motion carried unanimously.

CLERK_i½S REPORT

*1½½ Approval of Minutes as amended for October 1 and October 15 2007 Board meetings.

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the motion to approve the Minutes as submitted:

The five Board members voted to approve the motion.½ The motion carried unanimously.

*2.ii.½ Acceptance of Financial Reports as Submitted

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the motion to approve the Financial Reports as submitted:

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Comprehensive Budget Status Report ending
September and October.

Comprehensive Revenue Status Report ending September and October.

Warrants #20-30.

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Delegations

None

4. Non-Staff Communications

None

PERSONNEL

*1. Instructional Resignation

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Instructional Resignation, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Kari Thomas

4th Grade Teacher

Effective: October 17, 2007

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

*2. Instructional Appointments

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following
Instructional Appointments, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Evelyn Peters	Teaching Assistant
Effective: November 5, 2007	Replaces Anthony Trocino

Tracy Ferreri	Teaching Assistant
Effective: September 1, 2007	(had been a Teacher Aide)

Christine Henderson	.5 Speech and Language Teacher
Effective: September 1, 2007	New Position (position unfilled in 06-07, position is in 2007-2008 budget)

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***3. Instructional Substitute Appointments**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following
Instructional Substitute Appointments, as recommended by the Superintendent of
Schools:

Tom Kelly	Substitute Teacher
Effective: November 6, 2007	

April Ary	Long Term Substitute Teaching Assistant
Effective: October 22, 2007	Replaces Dawn Rivette

Dawn Rivette	4th Gr. Teacher
Effective: October 17, 2007	Replaces Kari Thomas

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***4. Non-Instructional Resignation**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following Non-
Instructional Resignation, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Tina Robustelli	Bus Driver and Courier
Effective: November 6, 2007	

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***5. Non-Instructional Appointments**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following Non-
Instructional Appointments, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Alexander Mersander
Effective: November 6, 2007

Seasonal Worker (Bus Cleaner/MRSA)

Mark Visconti
Effective: November 1, 2007

Courier

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***6. Extra-Curricular Appointment for the 2007-2008 School Year**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following Extra-Curricular appointment for the 2007-2008 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Mentor

Mentee

John Roccanova

Miriam Strauss

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***7. Approval of Non-Instruction and Instructional Sick Bank Committees**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves continuation of service on the Non-Instructional and Instructional Sick Bank Committees of the following individuals as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Linda Peters

Joel Freer

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Extra-Curricular Appointments

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded a motion to table this until after Executive Session.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Extra-Curricular Appointments for the 2007-2008 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

James Wilbur

Boys' JV Basketball Coach

Ann Sartori

Boys' Modified Basketball Coach

Matt Pomeisl

Boys' Volunteer Assistant Basketball Coach

Kathleen Kelly

Girls Varsity Basketball Coach

Trisha Casler

Girls JV Basketball Coach

Henry Pollinger

Girls Modified Coach

Kathy Jablonsky

JV and Varsity Cheerleading Coach

Dante Bessette

Modified Football Coach

Doug Winslow

Modified Football Coach

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***9. Create .5 Special Education Teacher Position**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Webutuck Board of Education approves the creation of a .5 Special Education Teaching position, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Non-Instructional Appointment

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Jablonsky seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Webutuck Board of Education approves the appointment of the following Non-Instructional Appointment, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Adam Honour

Bus Driver

Effective: November 7, 2007

Replaces Tina Robustelli

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Instructional Appointment

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Jablonsky seconded the following motion:

A Board member questioned if the Superintendent had heard anything from SED or BOCES with regards to certification of Charity Brady. The Superintendent stated he heard back from Matt Carr of BOCES and all Districts should be 100% certificated with regards to their teaching staff.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Webutuck Board of Education approves the following Instructional Appointment, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Evelyn Peters

6th Grade Teacher

Effective: November 26, 2007

Replaces Liz Reihl

Tenure Area: Childhood Education 1-6

Estoppel Date: January 28, 2011

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Non-Instructional Resignation

Mr. Herald made and Mrs. Lounsbury seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the following Non-Instructional resignation, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Evelyn Peters

Teaching Assistant

Effective: November 20, 2007

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

1. Adoption of Budget Development Calendar for the 2007-2008 School Year

Mr. Herald made and Mrs. Lounsbury seconded the following motion:

A Board member clarified that the calendar does not preclude any Finance meetings that will take place.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Budget Development Calendar for the 2007-2008 school year (as amended), as recommended by the

Superintendent of Schools.

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***2. Corrected Tax Roll Authorization**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has certified that duplicate tax payments have been made on the 2007-2008 school taxes regarding the following taxpayers and property and that refunds for overpayment of such taxes be issued:

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<u>Grid No</u>	<u>Amount of Refund</u>	<u>Refund To</u>
Amy Goossens Finance	132000-7067-00-611263-0000	\$3,791.67	Chase Home
Simon Winchester	132000-7263-00-234912-0000	\$4,910.75	Citi Mortgage

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***3. Authorization for Tax Adjustments**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

WHEREAS, the District has received an Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the Year 2007 for property located within the Webutuck Central School District, as follows:

Daniel Carello - regarding property owned on Old Route 22, in the Town of Amenia, described as Grid No. 132000-7165-01-090809-0000, on the basis that a clerical error was made, incorrect assessment by reason of arithmetical mistake. The taxes should be based on assessed value of \$300 instead of \$55,000. The taxes levied were \$594.14 and should be \$3.24; and

WHEREAS, the Director and Investigator of Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service have determined, that a clerical error was made and the assessed value should be changed, as described above, and has recommended that the Applications for Corrected Tax Roll should be approved; and

WHEREAS, we have examined such application and the County Director's recommendations and determine that a clerical error pursuant to Section 550(2)(b) of the Real Property Tax Law as made;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the Year 2007 be approved, that the tax rolls be corrected to reflect the correct assessment, as set forth above, and that notice of approval of such application and a corrected tax bill be issued to the applicant reflecting the change in assessment and taxes to be paid.

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***4. Authorization for Filing of 2007-2008 Returned Tax Claims (Resolution distributed in Board Packet)**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

The six Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Creation of Extra-Curricular Student Account

Mr. Jablonsky made and Mrs. Lounsbury seconded the following motion:

It was clarified that this was for the 6th grade class.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the creation of the following Extra-Curricular student account, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Class of 2014 Extracurricular Student Account

The seven Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

***6. Authorization to Increase the 2007-2008 Budget**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby increases the 2007-2008 Budget in the amount of \$11,079.74 in Budget Code A5510.400 00 00 22 as a result of receipt of insurance funds for damage to Van #105 on 6/1/07, to be recorded in Revenue Account A2680, with such funds to be expended from A5510.400 00 00 22.

The seven Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

***1. Committee on Special Education Monthly Reports**

Mr. Herald made and Mr. Perotti seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby accepts the Committee on Special Education report for October 2007, prepared by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Pre-School Education and by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Special Education, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

The seven Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. Superintendent and Board Goals

Each Board member stated their goals for the year. President Culver will draw them up and distribute them for the next Board meeting for further discussion. The Superintendent's goals will then be discussed.

A Board member questioned why six students left school in the last two months. Dr. Johns will look into it and update the Board in this week's Board packet.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following comments were made by audience members:

-Would like to see the We back in Webutuck

-Are we going to attack the generator situation? Mr. Culver and Mr. McGhee will attend future Town meetings to address this.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS

It was suggested by a Board member to have principals come to Board meeting and report on the great things happening in their buildings. Student representatives could also report to the Board on what is happening in and around the school .

EXECUTIVE SESSION,

Mr. Perotti made and Mrs. Lounsbury seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:55 pm for the purpose of discussing a particular personnel issue. The seven Board members present voted. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Coniglio made a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the public session at 10:37 pm. The seven Board members present voted. The motion carried unanimously.

Extra-Curricular Appointments

Mr. Perotti made the following motion as amended:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Extra-Curricular Appointments for the 2007-2008 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Ann Sartori	Boys' Modified Basketball Coach	
Matt Pomeisl	Boys' Volunteer Assistant Basketball Coach	
Kathleen Kelly	Girls Varsity Basketball Coach	
Trisha Casler		Girls JV Basketball Coach
Henry Pollinger	Girls Modified Coach	
Kathy Jablonsky	JV and Varsity Cheerleading Coach	
Dante Bessette	Modified Football Coach	
Doug Winslow	Modified Football Coach	

The five Board members voted to approve the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Perotti made a motion to adjourn the meeting of November 19, 2007 at 10:56 pm.