

Webutuck Board of Education held the July 20, 2009 meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Webutuck High School Library.

The following Board members were present:

Dale Culver, President

Andrew Jablonsky

Joseph Matteo

William McGhee

John Perotti

Also Present:

Linda Peters, School Business Administrator

Therese Trotter District Clerk

Absent:

Dr. Richard N. Johns, Superintendent

Joseph Herald

Susan Lounsbury

CALL TO ORDER

President Culver called the business meeting of July 20, 2009 to order at 7:37 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Matteo seconded the following motion to approve the consent agenda (as amended). The amendments offered by President Culver called for removing #1 under Board of Education for discussion in Executive Session later in the meeting.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

1. Delegations - None
2. Non-Staff Communications - None

PERSONNEL

***1. Instructional Appointments**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following Instructional appointments:

April Ary

Effective September 1, 2009

Tenure Area: Early Childhood Education (Birth-2)

Estoppel Date: August 31, 2012

Pre-Kindergarten Teacher

Replaces Dawn Rivette

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

***1. Approval of Lease Agreement with NECC**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Webutuck Central School approves the Lease Agreement with North East Community Ccenter to rent a portion of Millerton Elementary School for the purpose of before and after school programs and that this Lease shall be reviewed by the Board of Education in March of 2010 prior to its potential renewal.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

2. Authorization for Tax Adjustments

Mr. Matteo made and Mr. McGhee seconded the following motion:

WHEREAS, the District has received an Application for Corrected Tax Roll for the Years 2007 and 2008 for property located within the Webutuck Central School District, as follows:

Paul V. and Barbara Ann Di Grazia- regarding property owned on 9 Cascade Mountain Road, in the Town of Amenia, described as Grid No. 132000-7168-00-021050-0000, on the basis of an error in essential fact was made, incorrect assessment by reason of a structure did not exist on taxable status date or was present on another parcel. The taxes should be based on assessed value of \$272,206 instead of \$723,085 inclusive of exemptions. The taxes levied were \$7,811.11 and should be \$2,940.50 for the 2007 year and taxes should be based on assessed value of \$272,876 instead of \$695,500 inclusive of exemptions. The taxes levied were \$7,934.18 and should be \$3,112.94 for the 2008 year; 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 Business Administrator is hereby authorized to correct the 2007 and 2008 assessment to reflect such valuation reductions, with a notation in the margin, opposite said entries that the corrections are by authorization of the above-referenced Order; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to the terms of the above referenced Order, the School Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund any overpayments of school taxes for the 2007-2008 school year, said refund in the amount of \$ 4,870.61 and the 2008-2009 school year, said refund in the amount of \$4,821.24 for a total refund of \$9,691.86.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

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

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Webutuck Board of Education hereby accepts the Committee on Special Education report for July 2008, prepared by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Pre-School Education and by the Webutuck Central School District Committee on Special Education.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

***2. Approval of Textbooks**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following textbook for the Science Curriculum – Forensic Science Fundamentals & Investigations, South-Western Cengage Learning 2009, for the Music/Drama Curriculum The Stage and the School, Glencoe (McGraw-Hill) 2005.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

3. Acceptance of Bid for Security System and Well Control Improvements - EXCEL Project

(Removed from consent agenda for discussion in Executive Session.)

4. Acceptance of Bid for Roof Replacement – EXCEL Project

(Removed from agenda for discussion in Executive Session.)

BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. Adoption of Revised 2009-2010 Board Meeting Calendar

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the revised 2009-2010 Board Meeting Calendar (as amended).

(The Board President discussed adding a meeting perhaps after the budget vote to review the Reorganization Meeting agenda. Additional dates (March 15, April 19, and May 24, 2009) were discussed also and included in the Board meeting calendar. Discussion ensued.)

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following topics/issues were commented on by audience members:

- Assistant Principal search and Superintendent search
- Cost figures on the oil spill
- Football

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS

-None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Matteo made and Mr. Perotti seconded a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:09 pm for the purpose of discussing a specific personnel issue and items that were removed from the agenda.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the public session at 8:51 pm.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

Acceptance of Bid for Security System and Well Control Improvements - EXCEL Project

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the base bid of \$325,277 from Ingersol Rand Security Technologies, Inc. for the Contract 1 - Security Project, and \$28,000 from Black Electric for Contract 3 - Well Controls as part of the EXCEL Project as identified at the Webutuck Central School District.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

Reject Bid for Roof Replacement – EXCEL Project

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby rejects the base bid of \$190,000 from S&L Roofing for Contract 2 – Roofing Project as part of the EXCEL Project as identified at the Webutuck Central School District.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Jablonsky seconded a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:54 pm for the purpose of discussing a specific personnel issue and items that were removed from the agenda.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. Matteo made and Mr. McGhee seconded a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and to reconvene the public session at 8:58 pm.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Perotti made and Mr. Matteo seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting of July 20, 2009 at 10:03 pm.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Trotter
District Clerk