



BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WHITNEY POINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PO BOX 249  
Whitney Point, NY 13862

Date: February 21, 2012

District Mission:

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- Compliance with state and federal regulations is critical to school district success.

Meeting called to order at: 7:08

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

|                    |  | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u>               |
|--------------------|--|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Sara Bencoter      | President                              | X              |                             |
| Stephanie Champney | Vice-President                         | X              |                             |
| Anthony Burchell   | Member                                 | X              |                             |
| Kathleen Driscoll  | Member                                 | X              |                             |
| Mary Ellerson      | Member                                 |                | <i>Arrived at 8:35 p.m.</i> |
| Thomas Tasber      | Member                                 | X              |                             |
| Mary Hibbard       | Superintendent of Schools              | X              |                             |
| Patricia Follette  | Director of Curriculum and Instruction | X              |                             |
| Laura Lindsley     | School Business Executive              | X              |                             |
| Cynthia Burchell   | District Clerk                         | X              |                             |

Others in attendance: Kim Becker, Julie Brosius, Laura Chestnut, Jeff Detrick, Edward Driscoll, Nadine Ferguson, Gretchen Glezen, Rich Glezen, Veronica Gober, Henry Gober, Stephanie Hodkinson, Jeff Isaacs, Kathryn Jones, Sherry Kleine, Jo-Anne Knapp, Jo-Ann Sexton, Dan Sweeney, Bruce Tytler, David Ward, Sheryl Wright

## **Minutes**

Thomas Tasber recommended the Board amend the minutes of the February 7, 2012 Board Meeting by changing 2088 to 2008 on Page 12 under Type II Action Determination.

Mrs. Hibbard recommended the Board approval of the amended Minutes from the Board Meeting held on February 7, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

## **Warrant**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the January 2012 Warrant.

Moved by Anthony Burchell

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

## **Correspondence**

Letter from the Whitney Point Transportation Department Committee

Mrs. Hibbard stated the Board of Education will meet with the Transportation Department Committee in Executive Session at the close of this meeting.

## **Policies – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the attached, updated policy number **5520** Extraclassroom Activities Fund policy for first reading.

Mr. Thomas Tasber recommended changing "leftover class funds" to "leftover senior class funds."

Mrs. Hibbard stated this policy was created at the recommendation of the District's auditors and directs the disbursement of any remaining senior class funds and remaining inactive club funds.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the attached, updated policy number **5760** Qualifications of Bus Drivers policy for first reading.

Ed Driscoll expressed concern over any changes in the policy.

Mrs. Hibbard stated no changes were made in the policy. The language was simply updated to read "school" bus drivers.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

## **Policies – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

None

## **Comments from the Public**

Gretchen Glezen discussed her concerns about the Board's role in decisions regarding non-resident students.

## **Commendations**

Mrs. Hibbard commended:

- Mrs. Chrissy Ellerson, Mr. Ben Ellerson, The Whitney Point High School Drama Club for their production of *You Have the Right to Remain Dead* by Pat Cook on February 8th, 9th, and 11th, 2012. Mrs. Hibbard commended Ken Ketchum for the sound set up.

## **Old Business**

### **a. Phase II Update**

Mrs. Hibbard and Mrs. Lindsley presented an update on the Phase II Renovation work. Mrs. Lindsley stated a storage container was placed at the CEA for storage of items during the renovation of the library. Other renovation work continues throughout the district.

## **New Business**

### **a. Budget Development Update**

Mrs. Hibbard provided a Budget Development Update. She discussed the Governor's proposed budget and reviewed the aid comparison from the 2011-2012 enacted budget to the 2012-2013 Governor's proposed budget. She discussed the tax levy limit and explained how the levy limit is not the same as a tax cap. Mrs. Hibbard reviewed the District's budget vote history, cost saving initiatives and budget drivers. She explained the next steps for the preparation of the upcoming budget.

### **b. Technology Integrators Presentation**

Technology Integrators Mr. Jeffrey Detrick, Ms. Julie Brosius, Mrs. Stephanie Hodkinson, Mrs. Nadine Ferguson, and Mrs. Laurie Ward gave a presentation and hands-on demonstration of how instructional technology is currently being used to engage students in learning throughout the district. They further discussed the benefits of the Smartboards as an instructional tool providing motivation, interaction, multiple presentation modes, and the ability to record lessons to post on the website.

### **c. Field Trip Request**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Family, Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) field trip to attend the NYS Leadership Conference at the Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center in Callicoon, NY from Thursday, March 29, 2012 through Saturday, March 31, 2012.

Mrs. Hibbard stated this is an annual field trip and the club was able to fund raise to cover the cost.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Thomas Tasber

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVEDREJECTED

#### **d. Appointments**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the following list of poll workers and rate of pay for the sole purpose of the Bus Vote to be held on March 20, 2012.

Rate of pay \$55.00

Mary Poyer  
Marilyn Theleman  
Linda Thorn

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **e. Authorization to Unseal and Open Ballot Box and Destroy Ballots from the March 15, 2011 Bus Vote**

RESOLVED, pursuant to Education Law 2034(6)(b) that at least six months have elapsed since the March 15, 2011 bus vote, and upon information and belief of the Board of Education, there has been no challenge or proceeding commenced and, as such, the Board of Education of the Whitney Point Central School District does and hereby authorizes the District Clerk to unseal and open the wooden ballot box and destroy the official ballots contained therein, together with the unused ballots; if any.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **f. Committee on Special Education**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education.

Moved by Thomas Tasber

Seconded by Anthony Burchell

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **g. General Funds Appropriation and Revenue Reports**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Appropriations and Revenue Reports for the General Fund through January 31, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **h. Cafeteria Funds Appropriation and Revenue Reports**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Appropriations and Revenue Reports for the Cafeteria Fund through January 31, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **i. Special Aid Fund Appropriation and Revenue Report**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the Appropriations and Revenue Reports for the Special Aid Fund through January 31, 2012.

Moved by Anthony Burchell

Seconded by Thomas Tasber

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **j. Treasurer's Report**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the January 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **k. Tax Warrant Adjustment**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval to adjust the Tax Warrant for the 2011-2012 School Year.

Moved by Anthony Burchell

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **l. Budget Amendments**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the January 2012 Budget Amendments.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

5 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

#### **m. Change Orders**

Mrs. Hibbard recommended Board approval of the following Phase II change orders:

CC-007 Provide all labor, material, and equipment associated with furnishing an eight (8) section Wenger Signature Choral Riser system for the TRA choral room providing a safe and portable riser system to meet program needs.

The Contract Sum will be changed by this Change Order in the amount of \$26,226.00.

PC-040 Provide all labor, material, and equipment to furnish the following plumbing demolition in order to accommodate new work in the TRA:

- Remove old sinks and piping in old art room
- Remove old water, gas, and waste lines in the old library ceiling,
- Remove abandoned 4" vent in the kitchen,
- Remove and replace existing 2" drain line in kitchen allowing for work

The sum of \$2,621.00 is to be applied to the contractor's contingency allowance of \$40,083.00; allowance balance remaining is \$37,462.00.

The Contract Sum will be changed by this Change Order in the amount of \$0.00.

MC-034 Provide all labor, material, and equipment to furnish the following mechanical demolition in order to accommodate new work in the TRA:

- Replace leaking ball valve near the girls' locker room,
- Remove abandoned steam and condensate line in the kitchen,
- Relocate heat line in family consumer science room for soffit work,
- Disconnect, remove, reinstall unit ventilator in music room #110 to accommodate new flooring work,
- Disconnect, remove, reinstall unit ventilator in library to accommodate new flooring work.

The sum of \$3,747.00 is to be applied to the contractor's contingency allowance of \$93,855.00; allowance balance remaining is \$90,108.00.

The Contract Sum will be changed by this Change Order in the amount of \$0.00.

Moved by Anthony Burchell

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

**Comments from the Public**

None

**Meeting Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

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## **Executive Session**

For matters of personnel and contractual issues.

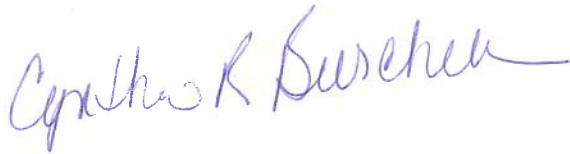
## **FYI**

Rural Schools Association of New York State, Winter 2011 Issue  
February 23, 2012 – US DOT Meeting / Route 26 & 79 over Tioughnioga River  
Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement Public Information Meeting  
WPCSD High School Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.  
March 2, 2012 – Read Across America Day  
March 7, 2012 – District Choral Festival  
March 10, 2012 – Odyssey of the Mind Regional Competition  
March 12 – 2012 – Grades 7-8 Band, WP and ME Combined Concert at ME 7:30 p.m.  
March 16, 2012 – No School, Conference Day  
March 17 – Family Fun Carnival  
March 24, 2012 – Celebration of Young Children

## **Upcoming Meetings**

March 6, 2012

March 20, 2012 - Bus Vote



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**Meeting Adjournment**

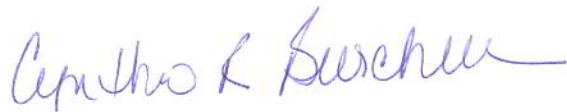
Sara Benscoter motioned to adjourn the Executive Session at 9:30 p.m.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Mary Ellerson

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

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Cynthia R. Burchell  
District Clerk