



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

Date: August 7, 2012

District Mission:

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District Beliefs:

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Meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Sara Bencoter	President	X	
Stephanie Champney	Vice-President	X	
Kathleen Driscoll	Member	X	
Mary Ellerson	Member	X	
Thomas Tasber	Member		X
Gene-Paul Jordan	Member	X	
Andrew Palmer	Member	X	
Patricia Follette	Superintendent of Schools	X	
Jo-Ann Sexton	Director of Curriculum and Instruction	X	
Zachary Woodard	School Business Executive	X	
Cynthia Burchell	District Clerk	X	

Others in attendance: Pam Powell, Arlin White

Minutes

Gene Jordan asked the minutes be amended to read "Gene Jordan asked about the role of a Parent Member."

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the amended Minutes from the Reorganizational Board Meeting held on July 10, 2012.

Moved by Mary Ellerson

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

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Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Andrew Palmer

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Warrant

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the June 2012 Warrant.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Mary Ellerson

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Correspondence

None

Policies – 1st Reading

None

Policies – 2nd Reading

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of policy **6172-7372** Bully/Harassment Prevention and Intervention.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Gene Jordan

Mary Ellerson asked if the Board of Education will be given a presentation on this topic.

Ms. Follette stated there will be a presentation and additional information. There is a lot to this policy and the Dignity for all Act.

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Comments from the Public

None

Commendations

Ms. Follette commends:

- Mrs. Slack and Mr. Woodard for their participation in the Coughlin & Gerhart LLP Golf Tournament which raised \$1,325.00 for the High School Student Incentive Committee.
- Tioughnioga Riverside Academy students Hunter Jordan, Michael Arseneau and Acacia Madison for their participation in the Go Green Institute at Binghamton University.
- Mr. Dean and Mrs. Collins for opening up the Tioughnioga Riverside Academy to provide shelter for Broome County Fair participants during a severe thunderstorm outbreak on Thursday, July 26, 2012.
- Ms. DeRiso for her work with Lourdes Alcohol and Drug Education Prevention Team (ADEPT).
- SHARE Grant Social Worker Supervisor, Luann Kida, for her efforts in providing a grant which opened up a VISTA social worker position to support the family engagement work at the Whitney Point Central School District.
- Mrs. Phillips for being approved to instruct SPAN 201 – Intermediate Spanish at TC3 for concurrent enrollment at Whitney Point High School beginning with the 2012-2013 academic year.

Old Business

a. Phase II Update

Ms. Follette presented an update on the Phase II Renovation work. Ms. Follette stated the TRA Library is coming along nicely. Bids will open tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. Decisions will need to be made regarding the Bids received. Phase II scope will be reviewed next week.

b. Update on Jack "Coach" Halloran Recognition

Mrs. Benscoter provided an update on the request for recognition of Jack "Coach" Halloran. Sara Benscoter said a meeting held with her, Ms. Follette and group representatives regarding the purpose of the recognition. Sara Benscoter stated she felt it was appropriate for the school to provide recognition such as a plaque, name on the floor and recognition at a sporting event. A scholarship was also suggested at the meeting. She also felt it was appropriate to be able to provide recognition to Coach Halloran for all of his contributions to the district.

New Business

a. Food Service Presentation

Mr. White gave a presentation on new food service regulations. He reviewed in detail the new mandatory regulations around the breakfast and lunch meal program. He explained the different requirements for grades K-5 and 6-8, and 9-12 relating to fruit/juice, vegetables, grains, meat and milk. He explained the amount of calories, saturated fat and sodium allowed with each age group and meal. Mr. White reviewed other changes involving the availability of free potable

water, nutritional standards, and minimum prices. He explained how the lunch program is required to report the school nutrition environment to the USDA and the public, such as: food safety inspections, wellness policies, school meal participation, nutritional quality of meals, SED program reviews and the applicable regulations. Mr. White stated that when the school district meets the new lunch requirements, they will receive six cents more a meal. No additional money is earned for breakfast; however requirements still have to be met in 2013-2014. He stated training is currently being held for cafeteria staff. They have five scheduled location/training dates in August. Parent/Staff letters will be available. The school website will be updated with new regulation information.

Gene Jordan asked what the penalty would be to the district if the new lunch requirements were not met.

Mr. White stated you have to apply for the six cent credit. Many variables are taken into consideration when determining the penalty.

Gene Jordan asked if this program helps us give the best lunch and expressed some concern regarding the participation rate.

Mary Ellerson asked if any effort was made to purchase food locally.

Mr. White stated he could provide a sample resolution to us in the next ten days.

A discussion ensued.

b. Non-Resident Application

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of Keith Maxwell, Grade 7, to attend the Whitney Point Central School District for the 2012-2013 school year. Tuition has been paid.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

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c. Amendment of Board of Education Meeting Dates

Ms. Follette recommended the Board amend the Official Whitney Point Central School District Board of Education Regular Meeting dates and times for the 2012-2013 school year as follows.

August 7, 21
September 4, 18
October 2, 16
November 6
December 4, 18
January 15

February 5, 19
March 5, 19
April **15, 30**
May **14, 28**
June 4, 18
July 11

August meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. All other meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Mary Ellerson

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

d. Appointments

Ms. Follette recommended the three-year probationary appointment of **Christine Delany** as Special Education Teacher effective September 1, 2012.

Moved by Stephanie Champnay

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Ms. Follette recommended the three-year probationary appointment of **William Marusich** as Special Education Teacher effective September 1, 2012.

Moved by Andrew Palmer

Seconded by Gene Jordan

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Ms. Follette recommended the appointment of **Robert Loy** as Bus Driver, effective date will be the date of fingerprint clearance.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

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Ms. Follette recommended the appointment of **Sharon Bennett** as Bus Attendant, effective date will be the date of fingerprint clearance.

Moved by Andrew Palmer

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

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e. Coaching Appointments

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the following 2012 Fall Coaching Recommendations:

Girls' Field Hockey

Junior Varsity Danielle Hand

Girls' Swimming

Life Guard Student Life Guards – Kyle Luschwitz, Gene Willis and Rachel Beck

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

Mary Ellerson asked about Danielle Hand's experience.

Sara Benscoter stated she has played on various field hockey teams and leagues through the years and has worked in the past with the Whitney Point Field Hockey Team.

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

f. Resignation

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the resignation of **Erin Heath**, teacher's aide, effective August 1, 2012.

Moved by Mary Ellerson

Seconded by Andrew Palmer

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

g. Retirement Resignation

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the retirement resignation of **Susan Larsen**, special education teacher, effective July 9, 2012.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

Ms. Follette stated Mrs. Larsen was with the District for four years, She previously worked for the Whitney Point Central School District in 1982 and decided to stay home. She worked with 4th grade students. She had a very heartfelt way of working with children.

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

h. Memorandum of Understanding

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the Coordinator of Maintenance and Grounds Memorandum of Understanding for the 2012-2013 school year.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the Coordinator of Custodial Services Memorandum of Understanding for the 2012-2013 school year.

Moved by Andrew Palmer

Seconded by Gene Jordan

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

i. Committee on Special Education

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education.

Moved by Mary Ellerson

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

j. Bid Awards

Ms. Follette recommended the Board approve the bid from Botnick Chevrolet as low bidder for \$37,773.00 to purchase one 9-passenger Suburban vehicle.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Gene Jordan

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Ms. Follette recommended the Board approve the Processed Food Bids to Sysco and Ginsberg as low bidders for the 2012-2013 school year as prepared by Broome Tioga BOCES Food Service Program.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Mary Ellerson

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

k. Treasurer's Report

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the June 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Moved by Mary Ellerson

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Addenda

New Business

a. Appointments

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of a three-year probationary appointment for **Aaron Kaminsky**, Tioughnioga Riverside Academy Assistant Principal, effective August 15, 2012.

Moved by Kathleen Driscoll

Seconded by Andrew Palmer

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the appointment for **Valerie Priscott**, Long Term Substitute teacher for the 2012-2013 School year effective September 1, 2012.

Moved by Gene Jordan

Seconded by Mary Ellerson

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

b. Meat & Cheese Bid

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the award to Renzi Br., Behlogs, Sysco, Ginsberg, and Maines, for the Meat & Cheese Bid as prepared by Broome Tioga BOCES Food Service Program. Bid is valid 8/18/12 – 10/31/12.

Moved by Andrew Palmer

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

Mary Ellerson stated Behlogs was extremely generous to the After Prom Party compared to Maines.

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

c. Paper Supply Bid

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the award to Sysco, Maines, LIC, and Hill & Markes for the Paper Supply Bid as prepared by Broome Tioga BOCES Food Service Program. Bid is valid 8/18/12 – 12/31/12.

Moved by Andrew Palmer

Seconded by Gene Jordan

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

d. Grocery Bid

Ms. Follette recommended Board approval of the award to Ginsberg, Maines, Renzi Br., Sysco, Huffs Ice Cream, Behlogs, Nardones, and McKees for the Grocery Bid as prepared by Broome Tioga BOCES Food Service Program. Bid is valid 8/16/12 – 8/16/13.

Moved by Mary Ellerson

Seconded by Stephanie Champney

Mary Ellerson stated Huffs is also very generous to the After Prom Party.

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Comments from the Public

None

Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED

Executive Session

For matters of personnel and contractual issues.

FYI

BOCES Memorandum – Change of Date/Opening Day for Students



Cynthia Burchell
District Clerk



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Meeting Adjournment


Sara Benscoter motioned to adjourn the Executive Session at 10:14 p.m.

Moved by Stephanie Champney

Seconded by Kathleen Driscoll

6 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained

APPROVED



Cynthia R. Burchell
District Clerk