# COPENHAGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTE

MAY 7 AND MAY 21, 2013

## BOARD MEMBER TROY W. BUCKLEY, PRESIDING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

PRUDENCE L. KUNERT LYNN A. MURRAY KOREEN G. FREEMAN ALFRED E. TOMASELLI

KIM R. VOGT

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

SCOTT N. CONNELL, SUPERINTENDENT

MARCIA MUNDY, TREASURER

INTERESTED RESIDENTS, Sam Lundy, Patricia Eddy, Phyllis Gaines, Gerald Carter, Christina Petersen and Laura Tousant

Board Member Troy Buckley called the Annual Meeting of the Copenhagen Central School District to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### PART I

At this time, Mr. Buckley welcomed the public to the meeting. Mr. Buckley announced the following individuals have been appointed as follows:

Meeting Chairperson – Mr. Sam Lundy

Inspectors of Election – Phyllis Gaines, Chief Inspector

Donna Wheeler, Inspector

Patricia Eddy, Alternate Inspector

Clerk – Mary Jones

Assistants to the clerk for balloting:

Rachel Guyette Brenda Shelmidine Mary Shambo Linda Prince Marcia Mundy Robin Spaulding

Mr. Buckley introduced Permanent Chairperson, Sam Lundy, and the meeting was turned over to Chairperson Lundy.

Chairperson Sam Lundy read the meeting notice and rules of order in public meetings. The Clerk read the qualifications of voters.

Chairperson Lundy announced that the budget for the 2013 - 2014 school year has been duly adopted by the Board of Education, distributed to District voters in accordance with Education Law, and will be voted on from 12 noon to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 2013.

Chairperson Lundy requested that Superintendent Scott Connell review the budget and respond to any questions.

Mr. Connell then presented the proposed 2013 - 2014 school budget via PowerPoint in detail. Mr. Connell announced the following positions to be filled on the Board of Education

• Five-year term to replace expired term of Troy W. Buckley, Term of Office, July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2018.

Superintendent Connell announced the following ballot items:

Shall the voters approve the 2013 – 2014 School District Budget as printed by the Board of Education?

<u>Proposition No. 1</u>: Shall the District be authorized to provide transportation of Head Start Children from the Copenhagen Central School to the Lowville Head Start Center and return on an existing BOCES bus route?

Shall the District be authorized to provide transportation of Head Start Children from the Copenhagen Central School to their homes in the afternoon on an existing bus route? This will demand no additional costs to the District.

<u>Proposition No. 2:</u> Should the District be authorized to purchase one (1) 44-passenger school bush and one (1) 7-passenger van at a maximum estimated cost of\$135,000.00 or so much less as may be necessary, said sums to be raised by a tax upon taxable property of said School District to be collected in annual installments, and to issue obligations of the district therefore in accordance with the Education Law and Local Finance law?

Following a question and answer opportunity a motion was made by Patricia Eddy, seconded by Mary Jones to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting. The motion was carried.

At 7:25 p.m., there being no further business to discuss, Gerald Carter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Marcia Mundy seconded the motion. Chairperson Lundy adjourned the meeting to 11:55 a.m., Tuesday, May 21, 2013 for the purpose of voting on the 2013 – 2014 budget, for the election of one individual to the Board of Education, and for the purpose of voting on the aforementioned propositions.

# Part II Agenda – Voting

Chief Inspector Phyllis Gaines reconvened the second portion of the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, at 11:55 a.m. with Mrs. Donna Wheeler, Mrs. Mary Jones, Mr. Scott Connell, Mrs. Donna Wheeler and Mrs. Marcia Mundy present. Mrs. Jones read the qualifications of eligible voters. The polls were declared open at 12:00 noon. The balance of this meeting was held at 8:00 p.m.

Chairperson Sam Lundy declared the polls closed at 8:00 p.m.

The inspectors canvassed the votes and tabulated the number registered 80 + 5 Absentee votes, and Chief Inspector delivered the results to the Chairperson Lundy.

At 8:14 p.m. Chief Inspector Phyllis Gaines delivered the following results of the Annual Vote:

## **BUDGET**

Shall the voters approve the school district budget as printed by the Board of Education?

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Yes - 70 + 4 Absentee Ballots) = 74 - Yes
No - 5 + 1 Absentee Ballot) = 5 - No
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The 2013 - 2014 budget was declared passed by the voters.

### PROPOSITION NO. 1

Shall the District be authorized to provide transportation of Head Start Children from the Copenhagen Central School to Lowville Head Start Center and return on an existing BOCES bus route? Shall the district be authorized to provide transportation of Head Start children from the Copenhagen Central School to their homes in the afternoon on an existing p.m. bus route? This will demand no additional costs to the District.

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Yes - 68 (+4 Absentee ballots) = 72 - Yes
No - 5 (+1 Absentee ballots) = 6 - No
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Proposition #1 was declared passed by the voters.

# PROPOSITION #2

Shall the District be authorized to purchase one (1) 44-passenger school bus and one (1) 7-passenger van at a maximum estimated cost of \$135,000.00 or so much less as may be necessary, said sums to be raised by a tax upon taxable property of said School District to be collected in annual installments, and to issue obligations of the district therefore in accordance with the education Law and Local Finance Law?

Yes - 63 (+3 Absentee ballots) = 66 - YesNo - 11 (+2 Absentee ballots) = 13 - No

Proposition #2 was declared passed by the voters.

## **BOARD MEMBERS**

■ Five-year term to replace expired term of Troy W. Buckley - Term of Office – July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2018.

TROY W. BUCKLEY 69 Votes 3 Votes 72 Votes

Troy W. Buckley was declared the winner of the aforesaid five-year term.

There being no further business at this time and on motion of Mary Jones, seconded by Marcia Mundy the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Mary V. Jones School District Clerk