

COPENHAGEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTE

MAY 1 AND MAY 15, 2012

PRESIDENT ROBERT F. STACKEL, PRESIDING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
TROY W. BUCKLEY
KOREEN G. FREEMAN
ALFRED E. TOMASELLI
KIM R. VOGT

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
PRUDENCE L. KUNERT
LYNN A. MURRAY

OTHERS PRESENT:

SCOTT N. CONNELL, SUPERINTENDENT
MARCIA MUNDY, TREASURER
INTERESTED RESIDENTS, Patricia Eddy and Phyllis Gaines

President Robert Stackel called the Annual Meeting of the Copenhagen Central School District to order at 6:30 p.m.

PART I

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

Meeting Chairperson – Mrs. Phyllis Gaines
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. Stackel introduced Permanent Chairperson, Phyllis Gaines, and the meeting was turned over to Chairperson Phyllis Gaines.

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

Chairperson Gaines announced that the budget for the 2012 – 2013 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 15, 2012.

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

Mr. Connell then presented the proposed 2012 – 2013 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 Alfred E. Tomaselli, Term of Office, July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2017.

Superintendent Connell announced the following ballot items:

Shall the voters approve the 2012 – 2013 School District Budget as printed by the Board of Education?

Proposition No. 1: 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.

Proposition No. 2: Should the District be authorized to purchase two (2) 66 passenger school buses at a maximum estimated cost of \$207,500.00 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?

A motion was made by Patricia Eddy, seconded by Marcia Mundy to suspend the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting. The motion was carried.

At 6:55 p.m., there being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Gaines adjourned the meeting to 11:55 a.m., Tuesday, May 15, 2012 for the purpose of voting on the 2012 – 2013 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

Chairperson Phyllis Gaines reconvened the second portion of the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2012, at 11:55 a.m. with Mrs. Donna Wheeler, Mrs. Robin Spaulding, Mrs. Mary Jones, Mr. Scott Connell and Mrs. Marcia Mundy present. Mrs. Gaines 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 Phyllis Gaines declared the polls closed at 8:00 p.m.

The inspectors canvassed the votes and tabulated the number registered 158 + 4 Absentee votes, and Chief Inspector delivered the results to the Chairperson Gaines.

At 8:14 p.m. Chairperson 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?

Yes - 120	(+ 2	Absentee Ballots)	=	122 - Yes
No - 28	(+ 2	Absentee Ballot)	=	30 - No

The 2012 - 2013 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.

Yes – 131	(+3 Absentee ballots)	=	134 - Yes
No – 15	(+1 Absentee ballots)	=	16 - No

Proposition #1 was declared passed by the voters.

PROPOSITION #2

Shall the District be authorized to purchase two (2) 66-passenger school buses at a maximum estimated cost of \$207,500.00 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 - 117 (+5 Absentee ballots) = 121 - Yes
No - 18 (+0 Absentee ballots) = 28 - No

Proposition #2 was declared passed by the voters.

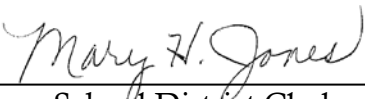
BOARD MEMBERS

- Five-year term to replace expired term of Alfred E. Tomaselli - Term of Office – July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2017.

		<u>Absentee Votes</u>	<u>Total</u>
ALFRED E. TOMASELLI	126 Votes	4 Votes	130 Votes

Alfred E. Tomaselli 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, Chairperson Gaines declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



School District Clerk