

MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, November 5, 2007, Mohonasen High School*

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. French, at 7:02PM.

Mrs. French requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present:

Julie Adamec, Member
Dominic Cafarelli, Member
Nancy del Prado, Member
Eileen French, President
Charles Macejka, Member
Joseph Salamone, Member
Gary Spadaro, Member

Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent
Michael Johnson, Ed.D. Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction
Patrick McGrath, Mohonasen High School Principal
David Collins, Assistant HS Principal
Makensie Bullinger, Assistant HS Principal
Debra Male, Draper Middle School Principal
Rosemary Soltis, Assistant MS Principal
Heidi Bromley, Administrator for Mathematics K-12
Arlene DeSiena, Administrator for Literacy K-6
Karla Empie, Director of Special & Alternative Programs
Michele Hunter, Pinewood School Principal
Deborah Kavanaugh, Pinewood Asst. Principal
Diane McIver, Bradt School Principal
Joseph Scalise, Direct of PE, Athletics & Health Education
Christopher Ruberti, Academic Administrator for Guidance K-12
Tracey Roberts, District Treasurer
Gerald Garing, Academic Administrator for Science K-12
2 Student Representatives
6 Faculty/Staff Members
27 Students
46 District Residents

Superintendent

Dr. Spring explained that there would be two presentations this evening, the first being the recognition of the accomplishments of the JV Football team.

Presentation of Certificates – JV Football

Mr. Scalise recognized the JV football team and coaches for having a great season and winning the Junior Varsity Superbowl again this year. He said that they truly exemplified what the word “team” means. Mr. Scalise introduced the JV Football coaching staff and certificates were awarded to team members.

Overview of Early Intervention Programs at Bradt

Dr. Michael Johnson passed out informative materials and spoke briefly on the charge of the committee that is set up to review early intervention programs at Bradt School. He stated that they hope to come back to the Board in January with recommendations.

Board of Education

Mrs. Eileen French thanked Dr. Spring for giving each Board member a copy of the book, “Whatever It Takes”. She also extended to Mrs. Denise Swezey and her family the Board’s deepest sympathy on the passing of her father.

Mrs. French explained that she, Mr. Spadaro and Mr. Salamone attended the New York State School Boards Convention in New York City last weekend. They each expressed that it was a beneficial and educational experience. Mrs. French distributed some informational materials to Board members and read upcoming calendar events. She then recognized Mr. Gary Spadaro for achieving 40 credits for taking classes through NYSSBA.

Mr. Spadaro asked about the possibility of reviewing the school policy regarding building use. Dr. Spring and Mrs. French stated that the policy will be reviewed at the end of the school year, at which time it may be tweaked or modified.

Mrs. del Prado expressed her opinion on the value of transitional first grade and urged the Early Intervention Review Committee to look at several studies regarding it and not focus on just one.

Student Representatives

Miss Skylar Aviza and Mr. Matt Farrell explained that they were finishing up a survey which would be distributed to their peers next week. They mentioned that the faculty basketball game and the Soccer Kickoff both were very enjoyable. They also mentioned upcoming events, including a semi-formal dance on November 20th.

Mrs. del Prado thanked both student representatives for their support and assistance with the recent EXCEL vote.

Public Privilege of the Floor

Mr. Daniel Martin of Helderberg Avenue asked if the coach currently appointed to modified swimming would be the varsity coach next year. Dr. Spring explained that coaches are appointed annually.

New Business

Request for Approval and Arrangement of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mr. Macejka, that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education for meetings held on October 19, 2007. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Request for Approval of High School Marching Band Trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, April 22-April 27, 2008

MOTION made by Mr. Spadaro, seconded by Mr. Salamone, that the Board of Education approve the high school band's trip to participate in the Fiesta-Val in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, April 22-April 27, 2008. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Request Approval for Re-Establishment of a GSA Club

MOTION made by Mr. Macejka, seconded by Mr. Salamone, that the Board of Education approve the re-establishment of a Gay-Straight Alliance Club, or GSA, hence affording said participants the right to use school facilities in accordance with existing school rules, regulations and protocols. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Request Approval for Establishment of L.I.F.E. Club

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mr. Salamone, that the Board of Education approve the establishment of a L.I.F.E. Club (Living in Faith Everyday), hence affording said participants the right to use school facilities in accordance with existing school rules, regulations and protocols.

Consensus Agenda

MOTION made by Mr. Macejka, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli, that the Board of Education approve the following consensus agenda: 1) Minutes, and 2) Personnel. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Minutes

APPROVED minutes of meeting held on October 22, 2007.

Personnel Recommendations

APPROVED the following Personnel Recommendations:

A. Tenure Appointments

David Collins,
Tenure Area: Secondary Assistant Principal
Effective Date: April 12, 2008

Kristofer Rose,
Tenure Area: English
Effective Date: January 25, 2008

B. Appointments

Change in Employment Status:

Shannon Herholz,
Previous Assignment: P/T Teacher Aide (6 hours)
Current Assignment: P/T Teacher Assistant (6 hours)
Effective Date: November 6, 2007
Salary: Step 1

Deidre Drezelo,
Assignment: P/T Teacher Aide (6 hours)
Effective: November 13, 2007
Salary: Step 1

Celeste L. O'Neill,
Assignment: Assistant Treasurer
Salary: \$45,000/yr. prorated
Effective: November 19, 2007

Carrie Soltis,
Assignment: Cleaner
Salary: Step 2
Effective: November 6, 2007

Mary Beth Gunn,
Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Salary: \$8.25/hr. (*amended from 10/22/07 agenda*)
Effective: October 23, 2007

Nicole Judekis,

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Salary: \$8.25/hr. (*amended from 10/22/07 agenda*)
Effective: October 23, 2007

William Dergosits,

Assignment: Swim Club – Head Coach
Salary: \$15.00/hr.
Effective: October 30, 2007

Jennifer Clifford,

Assignment: Swim Club – Assistant Coach
Salary: \$10.50/hr.
Effective: October 30, 2007

Robert J. Piccirillo,

Assignment: Swim Club – Assistant Coach
Salary: \$10.50/hr.
Effective: October 30, 2007

High School Internal/External Suspension Tutor – 2007-2008, two hours per day

Denise Brocci,

Assignment: External/Internal Suspension Tutor
Effective: November 13, 2007
Salary: \$25.00/hr

2007 – 2008 Extracurricular Appointments – Draper Middle School

Advisor/Co-Advisor	Extracurricular Club/Organization
Meghan Farry	National Junior Honor Society (Co-Advisor)
Danielle Spickerman	National Junior Honor Society (Co-Advisor)

Summer Band Camp

Keith Bushey Marching & Maneuvering (\$1200)

Winter 2007 Coaching Appointments

Position	Coach	Step/Salary
Boys Modified Basketball	Ryan Turnbull	Step 2 (.5) <i>amended from the 10/22/07 agenda</i>
Boys Modified Basketball	Josh Whipple	Step 4 (.5)

Thomas Hayden

Assignment: Volunteer Coach – Varsity Ice Hockey

Effective Date: November 6, 2007

C. Resignations

Christopher Masterson

Assignment: P/T Bus Driver

Effective: Close of business, October 24, 2007

Salvatore Benedetto

Assignment: P/T Bus Aide

Effective: Close of business, November 2, 2007

Cheryl Doherty

Assignment: P/T Teacher Aide

Effective Date: Close of business, November 2, 2007

Barbara Bora

Assignment: P/T Monitor

Effective Date: Close of business, November 7, 2007

Eugene Sirotof

Assignment: P/T Teacher Aide

Effective Date: Close of business, November 16, 2007

D. Fingerprint Clearances

Emergency Conditional Clearances

Michelle Ardolino

Lauren Beaver

James Bell

David Hayden

Kristen Lynch

Lillian Martinez

Jacqueline McGinn

Shelia McPherson

Jonathan Pietrafesa

Jennifer Saddlemire

Kimberly Santiago

Michelle Schoonmaker

Liesha Sherman

Kathleen Trainor
Kathy Warlow
Jonathan Yatrakis

Emergency Conditional Extension of Clearance

Jennifer Allers
Marie Baker
Karin Baldauf
Steven Bassett
Rachel Bellizi
Samantha Bianchi
Thomas Brahler
Michael Burgio
James Califano
Sheldon Carnes, Jr.
Caitlin Cuda
Joel Dashnaw
Michael Demos
James Desira
Kathryn Dieckmann
Jacquelyn Dignum
Kaitlyn Dollard
Robert Drake, Sr.
Helene Dworak
Amy Esposito
Ann Farrell
Kristin Farrell
Erin Faughnan
Pamela Finton
Elizabeth Floyd
Stephanie Foreman
Lindsay Frament
Mark Giordano
Stephanie Gotham
Michael Grady
Peter Gray
Rochelle Guiry
William Haight
Rachael Haines
Christina Hardy
Darren Hart
Frances Hauser

Jeffrey E. Hayes
Keriann Houle
Thomas Howley
Robert Kasman
Nicole Kellogg
Kenneth Kelly
Joshua Key
Laura Kinnally
Jenifer Kish
Daniel Klein
Irina Kushnir
Alisa Labunski
Karen Lare
Wayne Lewis
Kara Linn
Paul Lupi
Marguerite MacDougall
Heather Mann
Alexis Marek
Thomas Martin
Jennifer Martland
Alison Mayer
Christopher Mazura
Tristina McDonald
Kaitlin McGann
Jenny McShan
Michael Merlini
Sara Milano
Jennifer Mooney
Misha Mugits
Lisa Murray
Bonnie Ng
Meghan Numrich
Rachel Owens
Ashley Parker
Katherine Patell
Kathryn Petersen
Alexandria Piedmont
Shannon Pinkowski
Timothy Prall
Rebecca Relyea
Laura Robertaccio
Cynthia Romano

Elizabeth Romero
Sarah Rust
Deena Salzman
Martin Schilling
William Sheehan
Amy Sherman
Kenneth Sommer
Jessica Spero
Elizabeth Strelchun
Tricia Switzer
Carmela Tiscione
Marvin Veeder
Scott Vorwald
Joshua Walas
Mary Ellen Walsh
Michael Weinstein
Brandie Welsh
Amber Whalen
Melinda Whisenhunt
Jillian White
Blanche Willig
Ashleey Williams
Lea Williams
Shelby Wilson
Kelly Wirth
Ann Wolf
Sarah Wolfson
Ashlee Yonos
Caitlin Ziobrowski

Mrs. French congratulated Mr. David Collins and Mr. Kristofer Rose on being recommended for tenure.

Executive Session

MOTION made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Adamec, that an executive session be convened at 7:40 PM for the purpose of personnel. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

MOTION made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mr. Macejka, that the executive session be adjourned at 10:20 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Adjournment

MOTION made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Spadaro, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 10:21 PM. The motion passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

Nancy A. Brassard, Deputy District Clerk