

MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, October 1, 2007, Mohonasen High School*

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. French, at 7:00 PM.

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

Present:

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

Denise A. Swezey, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Michael Johnson, Ed.D., Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruct.

Lin Severance, Ph.D., Director for Student & Personnel Services

Karla Empie, Director of Special & Alternative Education
Patrick McGrath, Mohonasen High School Principal

David Collins, Assistant HS Principal

Makensie Bullinger, Assistant HS Principal

Rosemary Soltis, Assistant MS Principal

Michele Hunter, Pinewood School Principal

Deborah Kavanaugh, Pinewood Assistant Principal

Diane McIver, Bradt School Principal

Arlene DeSiena, Administrator for Literacy K-6

Karla Empie, Director of Special & Alternative Programs

Chris Ruberti, Administrator for Guidance K-12

Joseph Scalise, Director of PE, Athletics & Health

2 Student Representatives

1 District Resident

Absent:

Nancy del Prado, Member

Superintendent

In Dr. Spring's absence, Mrs. Swezey spoke about the upcoming EXCEL vote on Tuesday, October 16th. She stated it had come to the District's attention last week that there were some homeowners that did not get the EXCEL newsletter with the information about the public hearing until after it was held on September 24th. The district will hold a second public forum on Thursday, October 11th at 7:00PM in the HS LGI. Mrs. Swezey also mentioned that a one-page flyer is being sent out with information about the vote, as well as the new date for the public forum.

Dr. Michael Johnson spoke about Community Day, tentatively scheduled for May 17, 2008. It will be jointly sponsored by the District and the Mohonasen Foundation. He stated that the Academic Fun Fair will also be part of the Community Day celebration. If anyone is interested in getting involved, the next meeting is scheduled for October 9th at 4:30PM in the HS LGI.

Mr. Spadaro expressed his concern with the date. He stated that May is a very busy month and suggested the committee possibly consider a different date, perhaps in March. Dr. Johnson responded that the date is still tentative at this point and could still be changed.

Board of Education

Mrs. French stated that she would be sending some reminders to Board members through email, since the next Board meeting is not for another three weeks. She asked Board members about their availability to attend the high school open house on Thursday evening, October, 4th and a presentation at the Rotterdam Senior Citizens Center on the EXCEL vote on October 9th. She reminded them of a meeting with the auditor from the State Comptroller's office on October 12th at 8:30AM in the district office and also reminded everyone of the Sounds in Motion Field Show on October 13th and the EXCEL Vote on Tuesday, October 16th.

Mr. Macejka thanked everyone who helped make the Pancake Dinner a success, particularly Kim Gagnon and Dave Collins. He also congratulated the high school staff on a fabulous Homecoming Day.

Student Representatives

Skylar Aviza and Matt Farrell said that Homecoming and Spirit Week were a lot of fun for students. They thanked the high school staff for all of the work they put into making it a success. They stated that the Homecoming Dance was very well attended with 536 paid admissions. Mr. McGrath showed the video which was shown at the Pep Rally. The students loved it and are looking forward to what the staff has planned for the rest of the school year.

New Business

Request for Approval of Middle School Orchestra Field Trip to Boston, Massachusetts on February 1, 2008

MOTION made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Macejka, that the Board of Education approve the request for the Middle School Orchestra to participate in a field trip on Friday, February 1, 2008 to Boston, Massachusetts to attend a performance by the Boston

Philharmonic Orchestra. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request Approval for Draper Middle School History Club to Participate in a Field Trip to New York City on October 29, 2007

MOTION made by Mrs. Adamec, seconded by Mr. Spadaro, that the Board of Education approve the Draper Middle School History Club to participate in a field trip to New York City on Monday, October 29, 2007. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request for Approval of Handicapped Contract with Wildwood School

MOTION made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mr. Macejka, that the Board of Education approve a contract with Wildwood School for the period of September 2007 to June 2008 at a rate of \$40,097.00 per student at a total cost of \$160,388.00. The motion was passed unanimously, five members present and voting, with Mrs. French abstaining from the vote.

Request Approval of Applications for Corrected Tax Roll for the Year 2007, Pursuant to Sec. 554, Real Property Tax Law

MOTION made by Mr. Macejka, seconded by Mr. Spadaro, that the Board of Education approve the Application for Corrected Tax Roll from the following property tax owners in the stated amounts:

Anna E. Leaderach
2931 Guilderland Avenue
Schenectady, NY 12306
Previous Tax: \$538.02
Corrected Tax: \$ 0.00

Albert & Audrey Smith VanAlstine
1003 Laura Street
Schenectady, NY 12306
Previous Tax: \$1,336.65
Corrected Tax: \$ 834.49

Donald & Nettie Brown
42 Wedgewood Avenue
Schenectady, NY 12303
Previous Tax: \$1,244.11
Corrected Tax: \$ 124.44

The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request for Approval to Enter into a Contract with Samaritan Counseling Center

MOTION made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Adamec, that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Samaritan Counseling Center for the 2007-2008 school year in the amount of \$10,000. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Request Approval for Tax Refund and Tax Credit Multiple Year

MOTION made by Mr. Spadaro, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli, that the Board of Education approve a total tax refund for the years 2005 and 2006 to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation in the total amount of \$56,037, with a cash refund payment of \$14,009.25 on October 1, 2007 and tax credits for:

9/2008 of \$14,009.25

9/2009 of \$14,009.25

9/2010 of \$14,009.25

Therefore, the payment of \$14,009.25 will be on October 1, 2007.

The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

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, six members present and voting.

Minutes

APPROVED minutes of meeting held on September 24, 2007.

Personnel Recommendations

APPROVED the following Personnel Recommendations:

A. Appointments

Colleen Organ, 91 Grove Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Appointment: Long-Term Substitute

Assignment: Social Studies

Date of Commencement: September 11, 2007 (*amended from the 9/10/07 agenda*)

Expiration Date: June 26, 2008

Certification Status: Social Studies 7-12, Initial

Salary: Step 1

Darryl Drew, 4 Surrey Road, Scotia, NY

Assignment: Piano Accompanist 2007-2008 – High School, Draper & Pinewood

SalaryStep: \$4680

Effective: September 1, 2007

Sabine Doren, 36 Loralee Drive, Albany, NY 12205

Assignment: Cleaner

Salary: Step 2

Effective: September 25, 2007

Bonnie Myers, 632 Pattersonville Rd., Pattersonville, NY 12137

Assignment: Bus Aide
Salary: Step 3
Effective: September 5, 2007

Patricia Hopkins, 1153 Butler St., Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Account Clerk/Typist (Permanent)
Salary: Step 7
Effective: February 20, 2007

Athena Gallop, 200 First St., Scotia, NY 12302

Assignment: Food Service Helper
Salary: Step1
Effective: October 1, 2007

Melissa Dumas, 827 Kings Road, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Substitute Food Service Helper
Salary: \$8.25/hr.
Effective: October 1, 2007

Jordan Frisone, 1041 Riggi Ave., Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Substitute Cleaner
Salary: \$8.50/hr.
Effective: October 2, 2007

Joyce Dubuc, 1045 Riggi Ave., Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Internal Suspension Tutor (3 hours/day)
Salary: \$25.00/hr.
Effective Date: September 26, 2007

Barbara Bora, 1327 Bradford St., Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Detention , Pinewood Intermediate School
Salary: \$13.25/hr.
Effective Date: September 19, 2007

Melissa Van Every, 1035 Palazini Dr., Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Detention, Pinewood Intermediate School
Salary: \$11.74/hr
Effective Date: October 2, 2007

Change of Employment Status

Paul DeVito, 61 Valleywood Drive, Glenville, NY 12302

Previous Substitute School Monitor
Assignment:
Current Assignment: School Monitor

SalaryStep: Step 1
Effective: September 6, 2007

2007-2008 Extracurricular Appointments – High School

Advisor/Co-Advisor	Extracurricular Club/Organization
Lynne Macko	French Honor Society (Co-Advisor)
Patrick Keegan	French Honor Society (Co-Advisor)

2007-2008 Extracurricular Appointments – Draper Middle School

Advisor/Co-Advisor	Extracurricular Club/Organization
Dale Wade-Keszey	Teen Town
Maryam Mair	Peers for Peace (Co-Advisor)
Tricia Saullo	Peers for Peace (Co-Advisor)

Pinewood HW/AIS & Test Prep Instructors – 2007-2008 (\$31.66/hour)

Name	Assignment	Dates/Time
Patricia Amering	HW/AIS	1 hour per wk. - 10/1/07-6/13/08
Kristin Tiano	ELA/AIS	1 hour per wk. - 10/1/07-6/13/08
Marie Furlong	Math/AIS	1 hour per wk. - 10/1/07-6/13/08
Amanda Brousseau	ELA/AIS	1 hour per wk. - 10/1/07-6/13/08
Paul Browne	Math/AIS	1 hour per wk. - 10/1/07-6/13/08
Ryan Buzzo	HW/AIS	1 hour per wk. – 9/26/07-6/13/08
Cheryl Rasmussen	HW/AIS	1 hour per wk. – 9/27/07-6/13/08
Cortney Colvin	Test Prep DBQ/ELA/Math	1 hour per wk. – 9/25/07-6/13/08
Lori Ranze	Math Test Prep	1 hour per wk./6 weeks (Spring '08)
Deborah Kuebler	Substitute	As needed
Deanne Moffitt	Substitute	As needed
Kristin Taylor	Substitute	As needed

Mario DiCristofaro, 14 Glen Court, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Volunteer Coach – Boys' Modified Soccer
Effective Date: September 25, 2007

B. Resignations

Chris Diedrich, 2362 Consaul Road, Schenectady, NY 12304

Assignment: Internal Suspension Tutor (3 hours/day)
Effective Date: August 29, 2007

Anne DeCesare, 2049 Hoover Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309

Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant
Effective Date: Close of business, October 17, 2007

C. Fingerprint Clearances

Emergency Conditional Clearances

Marie Baker	197 Colonial Ave., Albany, NY 12208
Erin Faughnan	48 Glade Drive, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Lindsay Frament	3 Lea Ave., Waterford, NY 12188
Kenneth Kelly	1024 Eastern Ave., Schenectady, NY 12308
Laura Kinnally	103 Van Buren Road, Scotia, NY 12302
Alison Mayer	P.O. Box 62, Duanesburg, NY 12056
Rachel Owens	374 Morris St., Albany, NY 12208
Laura Robertaccio	18 Tokay Lane, Schenectady, NY 12309
Michael Weinstein	10 Overlook Drive, Voorheesville, NY 12186
Shelby Wilson	52 Hite Ct., Schenectady, NY 12303
Ashlee Yonos	1149 Dianne Court, Schenectady, NY 12303

Emergency Conditional Extension of Clearance

Rachel Bellizi	99 Longmeadow Dr., Delmar, NY 12054
Samantha Bianchi	2441 21 st St., Apt. 1A, Troy, NY 12180
Michael Burgio	259 Quail Street, Apt. 2, Albany, NY 12203
James Califano	25 Scroggie Way, Gorham, Maine 04038
Sheldon Carnes, Jr.	286 3 rd Avenue, Troy, NY 12182
Catalano, Maria	50 Linda Court, Delmar, NY 12054
Caitlin Cuda	106 Catlyn Court, Delmar, NY 12054
Richard DeCarr II	50 Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12203
Michael Demos	1400 Crescent Road, Apt. 808, Clifton Park, NY 12065
James Desira	2065 Oaklawn Ave., Schenectady, NY 12306
Kathryn Dieckmann	1019 Balltown Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Helene Dworak	78 Meehan Road, Mechanicville, NY 12118
Amy Esposito	1134 Jerry Avenue, Schenectady, New York 12303
Erika Falle	37 Grant Street, Cohoes, NY 12047
Ann Farrell	103 Princetown Road, Schenectady, NY 12306
Kristin Farrell	52 Grove Ave., Albany, NY
Lauren Fennessy	50 Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12203
Stephanie Foreman	160 Coplon Road, Schenectady, NY 12306
Madeline Gialanella	156 Harbor Lane, Massapequa Park, NY 11762
Mark Giordano	346 State Street, Apt. 3A, Albany, NY 12210
Stephanie Gotham	66 Deer Cliff Road, Voorheesville, NY 12186
Lindsey Guilz	101 Fox Run Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303
Rochelle Guiry	5 Gert Lane, Albany, NY 12205
William Haight	46 Pinewood Ave., Albany, NY 12208
Rachael Haines	3002 Williamsburg Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303

Allison Hamm 1 DeGraff St., 2nd Floor, Amsterdam, NY 12010
Christina Hardy 1801 4th Ave., Watervliet, NY 12189
Darren Hart 3045 Cox Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306
Jeffrey E. Hayes 2980 Hillcrest Rd., Niskayuna, NY 12309
Sara Heidelmark 85 Broadway, Latham, NY 12110
Keriann Houle 22 Fiddlers Lane, Latham, NY 12110
Thomas Howley 123 George Endries Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303
Brian Kaplan 47 Ten Broeck Street, Apt. C, Albany, NY 12210
Robert Kasman 944 Algonquin Road, Schenectady, NY 12309
Nicole Kellogg 21 Irving St., Albany, NY 12207
Joshua Key 110 Union Street, Apt. 6, Schenectady, NY 12305
Irina Kushnir 62 Williams Street, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Alisa Labunski 3018 Lone Pine Road, Schenectady, NY 12303
Scott LaMora 168 Jericho Road, Selkirk, NY 12158
Karen Lare 1208 Union St., Apt. #2, Schenectady, NY 12308
Kara Linn 25 Lake Shore Drive, Apt. 2B, Watervliet, NY 12189
Angela Logallo 553 N. Hamilton Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY 11757
Paul Lupi 25 Habel Lane, Glenville, NY 12302
Marguerite MacDougall P.O. Box 157, Duanesburg, NY 12056
Alexis Marek 131 Bruce Street, Scotia, NY 12302
Thomas Martin 22 Cambridge Court, Mechanicville, NY 12118
Virginia McCarthy 446 Cedar St., Schenectady, NY 12306
Tristina McDonald 1021 Anthony Dr., Schenectady, NY 12303
Kaitlin McGann 127 Glen Avenue, Scotia, NY 12302
Jenny McShan P.O. Box 1778, Latham, NY 12110
Michael Merlini 280 Quail Street, Albany, NY 12208
Jennifer Mooney 3 Durham Court, Schenectady, NY 12309
Misha Mugits 12 Forest Way, Ganesvoort, NY 12831
Lisa Murray 650 Morris St., Albany, NY 12208
Bonnie Ng 309 Lakeside Drive, Bel Air, MD 21015
Kathryn Petersen 16 Norwood Ave., Albany, NY 12208
Shannon Pinkowski 33 Woodridge Street, Albany, NY 12203
Timothy Prall 167 Rural Grove Rd., Sprakers, NY 12166
Rebecca Relyea 6 Mates Way, Waterford, NY 12188
Cynthia Romano 718 Riverview Rd., Rexford, NY 12148
Elizabeth Romero 13 Kaine Drive, Albany, NY 12203
Sarah Rust 248 Nelson Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
Matthew Rybaltowski 323 Grooms Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065
Victoria Schilling 53 Terrace Avenue, Albany, NY 12203
William Sheehan 2241 Helderberg Ave., Sch'dy, NY 12306
Amy Sherman 6 Colonial Court, Ballston Lake, NY 12019
Elizabeth Strelchun 108 Northampton Rd. #3D, Amsterdam, NY 12010
Tricia Switzer 530 West Lawrence St., Albany, NY 12208
Melanie Szumowski 236 Green Street, Apt. 2R, Schenectady, NY 12305

Carmela Tiscione	2029 Cedarlawn Ave., Schenectady, NY 12306
Marvin Veeder	29 Hialeah Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Joshua Walas	1 Alfred Drive, Albany, NY 12205
Mary Ellen Walsh	1421 Fox Hollow Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Brandie Welsh	1197 Hillside Ave., C72, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Amber Whalen	1269 County Rt. 59, Cambridge, NY 12816
Melinda Whisenhunt	2160 Grand Blvd., Niskayuna, NY 12309
Jillian White	96 Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12203
Blanche Willig	1004 Cheyenne Road, Glenville, NY 12302
Ashley Williams	13 McChensey Court, Troy, NY 12180
Kelly Wirth	8 Grant Hill Rd., Clifton Park, NY 12065
Ann Wolf	41 South Main Avenue, Apt. 2, Albany, NY 12208
Sarah Wolfson	409 Robert Drive, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Caitlin Ziobrowski	2436 Curry Road, Schenectady, NY 12303

Adjournment

MOTION made by Mr. Spadaro, seconded by Mrs. Adamec, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:20PM. The motion was passed unanimously, six members present and voting.

Denise A. Swezey, District Clerk