

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.
HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL

Minutes Meeting #6

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The special meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on September 9, 2008 at the Hudson High School, 215 Harry Howard Ave., Hudson, NY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mary Daly at 7:00 p.m. with the following Board Members in attendance:

PRESENT: Mary Daly
Patricia L. Abitabile
John J. Mabb
Emil Meister
Peter Meyer
Jeffrey Otty
Peter S. Rost

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent David A. Paciencia
Assistant Superintendent Amanda Bagnato
Business Manager Daniel P. Barrett

Public Forum:

A. Vince Wallace

PUBLIC FORUM

Acceptance of Agenda:

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, the Board of Education, on a motion by Mrs. Abitabile with a second by Mr. Mabb, accepted the agenda.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 1 Mr. Meyer Motion Passed

AGENDA

Consensus Agenda:

A motion was made by Mr. Rost and seconded by Mr. Mabb that the BOE approve Items 6.1.1-6.1.3 on the consensus agenda. After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

CONSENSUS AGENDA

6.1.1 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Meister seconded that the Board of Education approve the following Board Minutes:

Minutes Meeting #4, dated 08/26/08
Minutes Meeting #5, dated 09/02/08
Ayes – 6 Nays – 1 Mr. Meyer Motion Passed

BOARD MINUTES
APPROVED

6.1.2 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the BOE decline to alter the district’s boundaries as requested by a new development resident.

Ayes – 0 Nays – 7 Motion Passed

SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

6.1.3 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. Abitabile seconded that the BOE approve the 2008-2009 tax adjustments as attached due to incorrect calculation by the assessor of agricultural exemptions on the final 2008 tax roll.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 1 Mr. Meyer Motion Passed

TAX ADJUSTMENTS

6.1.4 – Facility Fee Waiver Requests

FEE WAIVERS

Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Otty seconded that the BOE vote separately on each of the facility fee waiver requests.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

- FEE WAIVERS Mr. Otty moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the BOE grant a waiver of fees to Hudson Department of Youth, Columbia County Pop Warner and Hudson Athletic Club pending proper paperwork.
Ayes – 3 Nays – 4 Mr. Meister Motion Did Not Pass
Mr. Rost
Mrs. Abitabile
Mrs. Daly
- On a motion by Mr. Otty, with a second by Mr. Meister, the Board of Education moved that the waiver of fees motion made by Mr. Otty above be withdrawn.
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed
- HUDSON DEPT. OF YOUTH Mr. Rost moved and Mrs Abitabile seconded that proper forms be submitted for use of facilities and waiver of fees by the Hudson Department of Youth for the next meeting.
Ayes – 5 Nays – 2 Mrs. Daly & Mr. Meyer Motion Passed
- COLUMBIA COUNTY POP WARNER Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. Abitabile seconded that proper forms be submitted for use of facilities and waiver of fees by the Columbia County Pop Warner for the next meeting.
Ayes – 4 Nays – 3 Mr. Meyer, Mr. Otty & Mr. Meister Motion Passed
- HUDSON ATHLETIC CLUB Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. Abitabile seconded that proper forms be submitted for use of facilities and waiver of fees by the Hudson Athletic Club for the next meeting.
Ayes – 5 Nays 1 Mr. Meyer Abstentions – 1 Mr. Otty Motion Passed
- CSE & CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS 6.1.5 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. Abitabile seconded that the BOE approve the CSE and CPSE recommendations as attached.
Ayes – 6 Nays – 1 Mr. Meyer Motion Passed
- TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS 6.1.6 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mrs. Abitabile moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the BOE approve two thirty day transportation contracts as attached.
Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mr. Meyer Motion Passed
- ASSISTANT SUPT. REPORT 7.1.1 - Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Bagnato gave as summary of the district’s first Curriculum Steering Committee meeting.
7.1.2 – Dr. Bagnato announced the upcoming Big Read event.
- SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT 8.1.1 – Superintendent Paciencia reviewed the latest enrollment figures with the Board. The total enrollment this year has dropped to 1,992 students as compared to 2,054 from a year ago.
8.1.2 – Superintendent Paciencia gave an update on the status of the Promethean ActiveBoard training.
8.1.3 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mrs. Abitabile moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the BOE approve a PT service contract with VTA Management for September 2008 through June 2009 school term for 3.5 days per week and July-August 2008 extended school year term on an hourly basis.
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed
8.1.5 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mrs. Abitabile moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the BOE approve a contract with A.P.L. Associates at a cost of \$5,000.00 to provide new teacher workshops on September 18th and November 14th, 2008.
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed
8.1.6 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. Abitabile seconded that the BOE approve a contract with CLC Consultant Services to provide planning for and assistance with the submission of an application for 21st Century CLC funding at the rate of \$100.00 per hour, not to exceed 40 hours, for a total limit of \$4,000.00.
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

Superintendent's Report continued:

SUPT.'S REPORT

8.1.7 – Superintendent Paciencia announced Senator Saland's grant to the district for technology in the amount of \$39,042.00. Senator Saland also noted that he had received a phone call from SED Commissioner Mills who announced that he will be returning to our District in the spring of this school year to work with us as a critical friend as we continue to work toward improving our graduation rates and decreasing our drop-out rates. A Town Hall forum will be designed by the Superintendent during which successes will be reviewed and new initiatives will be formed with the Commissioner as an active participant..

9.1.1 – The new "Athletics and Extra-Curricular Activities" proposed policy was reviewed again and will continue to undergo modification before it gets adopted. OLD BUSINESS

9.1.3 – Mr. Peter Meyer of the Board's Transportation Committee, gave an update on the work of the Transportation Committee.

9.1.4 – Board President Mary Daly gave an update concerning the Superintendent Search Committee.

10.1.1 – Board President Daly made the following board member appointments to the various board committees: NEW BUSINESS

- A. Audit: Chair Peter Rost, Mary Daly and Peter Meyer
- B. Facilities: Chair Jeff Otty, Peter Rost and Jack Mabb
- C. Policy: Chair Patricia Abitabile
- D. I.D.A.: Jack Mabb liaison
- E. Transportation: Peter Meyer, Jeff Otty
- F. Superintendent Search: Chair Mary Daly, Jeff Otty and Emil Meister

Public Forum:

PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Betty Bednar
- B. Nikki Genito

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, the Board of Education went into Executive Session on a motion by Mr. Rost with a second by Mrs. Abitabile at 9:02 p.m. to discuss the employment/employment history of a particular person(s) and/or corporation. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, the Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 9:20 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Rost with a second by Mr. Otty.
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

Personnel:

PERSONNEL AGENDA
ITEMS 13.1.1-13.1.4

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. Abitabile seconded that the BOE approve Items 13.1.1-13.1.4 of the personnel agenda as attached.
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

13.1.5 A -Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Meister seconded that the BOE approve Item 13.1.5A of the personnel agenda as attached. PERSONNEL AGENDA
ITEM 13.1.5A
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

13.1.5 B – A motion made by Mrs. Abitabile and seconded by Mr. Mabb to appoint Courtney McDonald to the clerical aide substitute list at the rate of \$16.16 per hour did not pass. MOTION DID NOT
PASS – C. McDONALD
Ayes – 1 Mrs. Abitabile Nays – 6 Motion Did Not Pass

13.1.5 C-13.1.7 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Meister seconded that the BOE approve Items 13.1.5-13.1.7 of the personnel agenda as attached. PERSONNEL AGENDA
ITEMS 13.1.5-13.1.7
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Mr. Rost asked that the numbering on the September 9, 2008 addendum agenda copies be changed from 13.4.8-13.4.12 to 13.4.1-13.4.6.

PERSONNEL AGENDA 13.4.1-13.4.4 -Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mrs. ADDENDUM ITEMS Abitabile seconded that the Board of Education approve Items 13.4.1-13.4.4 of the personnel agenda addendum as attached.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

13.4.5-13.4.6 – Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the Board of Education approve Items 13.4.5 and 13.4.6 of the personnel agenda addendum as attached.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

EXECUTIVE SESSION Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Meister seconded that the Board of Education go into Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Meister seconded that the Board of Education come out of Executive Session at 10:00 p.m.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

TEACHER #998 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Be It Resolved, that teacher #998, identified to the Board of Education in Executive Session, be referred for medical examination pursuant to the terms of Section 913 of the Education Law.

Be It Further Resolved, that teacher #998 be directed to remain at home pending further notification from the Office of the Superintendent.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

ADJOURNED Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Paciencia, Mr. Rost moved and Mr. Mabb seconded that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion Passed

HUMAN RESOURCES – Personnel Agenda – September 9, 2008

13.1.1 INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date	Type of Certification	Salary	
A	Almstead	Kristin	Teacher	9/10/08	Elem (B-2)	\$85.00 / day	
B	Almstead	Kristin	Home Instructor	9/10/08	Elem (B-2)	\$85.00 / day	
C	Geer	Pierpont	Teacher	9/10/08	Not Certified	\$65.00/day	
D	Geer	Pierpont	Home Instructor	9/10/08	Not Certified	\$65.00/day	
E	Geer	Pierpont	Nurse	9/10/08	Nursing	Contractual Rate	
F	Kuss	Emily	Teacher	9/10/08	Not Certified	\$65.00 / day	
G	Story	Lauren	Teacher	9/10/08	Physical Ed	\$85.00 / day	

13.1.2 INSTRUCTIONAL CORRECTIONS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Previous Salary Schedule	Corrected Salary Schedule	Salary	Previous Effective Date	Corrected Effective Date
A	Williams	Kristen	Special Ed	HMS	BA Step II	MA Step II	\$40924		
B	Wollyung	Jennifer	Family Consumer Science	HMS				9/1/08 – 8/31/09	9/1/08 – 6/30/09

13.1.3 INSTRUCTIONAL RESIGNATION

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date	Location
A	Magier	Justine	Music Teacher	8/31/08	HMS

13.1.4 SUPPORT STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Hours	Effective Date	Salary	Replacing
A	Cobbins	Sharon	Teacher Aide 1:1	HMS	6.5	9/1/08	8.44/ hr	Shook
B	Griffin	Sherri	Teacher Aide 1:1	JLE	6.5	9/1/08	\$8.44/ hr	New Position Created 9/2/098
C	Quinones	Vivian	Teacher Aide 1:1	HMS	6.5	9/4/08	\$8.44 / hr	Meltz

13.1.5 SUPPORT STAFF SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date	Type of Certification	Salary
A	Bartholomew	Carol	Teacher Aide	9/10/08	NA	\$8.44/ hr
B	McDonald	Courtney	Clerical	9/10/08	NA	\$16.16/hr
C	Raymond	Jean	Teacher Aide	9/10/08	NA	\$8.44 / hr

13.1.6 COACHING RESIGNATION

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date	Location
A	Beckingham	Trevor	JV Football Asst. Coach	8/31/08	HHS

13.1.7 COACHING APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date	Location	Stipend
A	Beckingham	Trevor	JV Football Head. Coach	9/1/08	HHS	\$3391.00
B	Bauer	Frank	JV Football Asst. Coach	9/1/08	HHS	\$2966.00
C	Millar	Andrew	JV Girls Volley Ball	9/1/08	HHS	\$2824.00