

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JULY 30, 2007 – 7:00 P.M.
HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL

Minutes Meeting #2

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The special meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on July 30, 2007 at the Hudson High School, 215 Harry Howard Ave., Hudson, NY. The meeting was called to order by President John Mabb at 7:00 P.M. with the following Board Members in attendance:

PRESENT: John J. Mabb
Peter S. Rost
Patricia L. Abitabile
Mary Daly
Peter Meyer

ABSENT: Edward F. Nabozny
John M. Rutkey, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Dr. Fern Aefsky
Assistant Superintendent Dr. Amanda Bagnato
Business Manager Daniel P. Barrett

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Public Comments – This time was set aside for public comments. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board Comments – This time was set aside for Board comments. BOARD COMMENTS

Superintendent’s Report SUPT.’S REPORT

- A. GED Program
- B. Board Goals

Next Board Meeting – There will be a Board Workshop (Curriculum) at the high school on August 20, 2007 at 6:00 P.M. followed by a Board Meeting at 7:00 P.M. NEXT BOARD MTG.

Agenda Changes – No changes to the agenda noted. AGENDA CHANGES

Old Business – No old business discussed at this time. OLD BUSINESS

New Business – Summer School update NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by Mrs. Abitabile with a second by Mrs. Daly, the Board of Education passed the final Athletic Policy. ATHLETIC POLICY
Ayes – 4 Nays – 0 Abstentions – 1 Mr. Meyer

Committee Reports COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Policy – Second Reading – 1500 Public Use of School Facilities
1500-R Use of School Facilities Request Form

Mr. Rost made a motion to waive the fee for all use of facilities except pool parties and commercial use for profit and then withdrew his motion. MOTION MADE AND WITHDRAWN

Mr. Rost left the meeting at 9:20 P.M. PETER ROST

On a motion by Mrs. Daly with a second by Mrs. Abitabile, the Board of Education went into Executive Session at 9:22 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Ayes – 4 Nays – 0

- EXECUTIVE SESSION The Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 9:44 P.M. on a motion by Mrs. Abitabile with a second by Mrs. Daly.
Ayes – 4 Nays – 0
- CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTED On a consent motion by Mrs. Abitabile with a second by Mrs. Daly, the Board of Education adopted the following consent agenda items:
Ayes – 4 Nays - 0
- APPROVED BOARD MINUTES #30, #31, #32, #33, #1 Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved the following Board Meeting Minutes:
Minutes Meeting #30, dated June 11, 2007, pages 2775-2779
Minutes Meeting #31, dated June 18, 2007, pages 2780-2781
Minutes Meeting #32, dated June 25, 2007, pages 2782-2788
Minutes Meeting #33, dated June 28, 2007, pages 2789
Minutes Meeting #1, (Re-organizational Meeting), dated July 9, 2007, pages 2790-2799
- SUMMER TRANSPORT CONTRACT Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved a summer transportation contract with Warren Dierkes for a special education student to be transported to Berkshire with an aide beginning July 10, 2007 and ending August 22, 2007 at a cost of \$193.00 per attendance day, for a total anticipated cost of \$6176.00, as recommended by the Superintendent. (Emergency contracts can only be written for a 30-day period. Consequently, two contracts had to be written for this student in order to transport him for the summer.)
- MILD BID RESULTS APPROVED Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved the attached results of the milk bid opened on July 12, 2007, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- TREASURER'S REPORT Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved the Treasurer's Report, as attached, for the month of May 2007.
- HHS CLASS OF 1947 SCHOLARSHIP Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education established the HHS Class of 1947 Scholarship for a graduating senior which will be distributed over the next two (2) years, per memo attached, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- CONTRACT WITH SHERRY WILSON Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved a contract with Sherry Wilson for assistance with IEP process and data entry, as attached, at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for up to 30 hours, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- CONTRACT WITH LISA VALEZ Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved a contract with Lisa Valez for assistance with IEP process and data entry, as attached, at the rate of \$35.00 per hour for up to 30 hours, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- EDUCATIONAL & MGMT. SERVICES AGREEMENT Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved a Consultant Agreement with Educational & Management Services, Inc. (a copy of which is incorporated in the minutes of this meeting by reference), as recommended by the Superintendent.
- COXSACKIE TRANSPORT CONTRACT Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved a partial year contract with Cocksackie Transport to transport one residential student attending Kolburne School to his home for a home visit at a cost of \$370.00 each way, for a total cost of \$740.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- TAX WARRANT DECREASES Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved decreases to the 2007-2008 tax warrant, as attached, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approved the following field trip requests from Lorie DeFiores, Afterschool Program Director for the Abstinence Education and Promotion Program, as recommended by the Superintendent.

FIELD TRIPS
APPROVED

August 7, 2007	Shea Stadium	Flushing, NY
August 14, 2007	Albany Aqua Ducks	Albany, NY
August 21, 2007	Bronx Zoo	Bronx, NY
August 30, 2007	Six Flags New England	Springfield, MA
September 16, 2007	The Lion King, Broadway	New York, NY

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education arranged for placement of students with disabilities (CSE and CPSE). Meetings on: May 23; June 1, 11, 13, 15, 19, 20; July 11, 2007.

SPECIAL ED
PLACEMENTS

On a consent motion by Mrs. Abitabile with a second by Mrs. Daly, the Board of Education adopted the following personnel agenda items:

PERSONNEL
AGENDA ITEMS

Ayes – 4 Nays - 0

The Board of Education appointed Brian Palmieri to a two-year probationary position as technology teacher in the technology tenure area at Hudson High School, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2009, at an annual base salary of Step 4 Level 9, \$46,649.00 pending contract negotiations, as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.

APPOINTMENT
B. PALMIERI

The Board of Education appointed Jason Courge to a three-year probationary position as social studies teacher in the social studies tenure area at the Alternative Learning Program, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010, at an annual base salary of Step 1 Level 1, \$35,882.00 pending contract negotiations, as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.

APPOINTMENT
J. COURREGÉ

The Board of Education accepted the resignation of Jodie Jacque Lafemina, music teacher, effective August 16, 2007, as recommended by the Superintendent.

RESIGNATION
J. LAFEMINA

The Board of Education appointed Tracy Nytransky as Girls' Varsity Bowling Coach for the 2007-2008 School year at the 2005-2006 stipend of \$2,899.00, pending contract negotiations, as recommended by the Superintendent.

APPOINTMENT
GIRLS BOWLING
COACH

The Board of Education appointed Lisa (McCauslin) Foronda as newspaper advisor for M.C. Smith Middle School for the 2007-2008 school year at the 2005-2006 stipend of \$1,270.00, pending contract negotiations, as recommended by the Superintendent.

APPOINTMENT
NEWSPAPER
ADVISOR

The Board of Education appointed Suzanna Cincotti as a substitute teacher for the 2007 Special Education Summer School program at the hourly rate of \$22.22, as recommended by the Superintendent.

APPOINTMENT
S. CINCOTTI

The Board of Education accepted the resignation of April Sacco-Ordway, teaching assistant at M.C. Smith Middle School, effective August 31, 2007, as recommended by the Superintendent.

RESIGNATION
A. SACCO – TA

The Board of Education appointed Quincy Jackson as summer laborer, effective July 16, 2007 at the rate of \$7.50 per hour, as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.

APPOINTMENT
Q. JACKSON

- APPOINTMENT
STUDENT
LIFEGUARDS
- The Board of Education appointed the following student lifeguards for the Hudson High School pool for the 2007-2008 school year at the rate of \$10.50 per hour for A.M. swim and \$8.50 per hour for P.M. swim, as recommended by the Superintendent.
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| Bridget Maloy | Stephanie Koweek |
| Angel Otty | Lena Alessi |
| Jonathan Carpenito | Kevin Carpenito |
| Alex Kipp | Matthew Leonard |
| Molly Koweek | Mackenzie Hunter |
- APPOINTMENT
SUB STUDENT
LIFEGUARDS
- The Board of Education appointed the following as substitute student lifeguards for the Hudson High School pool for the 2007-2008 school year at the rate of \$10.50 per hour for A.M. swim and \$8.50 per hour for P.M. swim, as recommended by the Superintendent.
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| Marcus Hickey | Joseph Alessi |
| Jennie Drahushuk | Catie Hilliard |
- APPOINTMENT
L. WINDHURST
- The Board of Education appointed Lynn Windhurst as swim instructor PT (aerobics) for the 2007-2008 school year at the rate of \$10.00 per hour, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- CONSENT MOTION
- On a consent motion by Mrs. Abitabile with a second by Mrs. Daly, the Board of Education approved action on the following items:
- Ayes – 4 Nays - 0
- APPOINTMENT
JENNIFER CLARK
- The Board of Education appointed Jennifer Clark, NYS certified Literacy, to a three-year probationary position as AIS reading teacher in the reading tenure area at M.C. Smith Middle School, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010, at an annual base salary of Step 1 Level 1, \$35,882.00, pending contract negotiations, as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.
- APPOINTMENT
D. CHESSEN-GELLES
- The Board of Education appointed Diane Chessen-Gelles, NYS certified English to Speakers of Other Languages, to a three-year probationary position as ESL teacher in the ESOL/ESL tenure area at Greenport Elementary School, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2010, at an annual base salary of Step 2 Level 1, \$39,472.00, pending contract negotiations, as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.
- APPOINTMENT
W. HALLENBECK
- The Board of Education appointed William Hallenbeck as provisional school safety and security officer, effective September 1, 2007, at an annual salary of \$25,000.00, as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.
- RESIGNATION
C. SOHOTRA
- The Board of Education accepted the resignation of Cathy Schneider-Sohotra, school nurse at John L. Edwards Elementary School, effective September 1, 2007, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- APPOINTMENT
DIANE ORINGER
- The Board of Education appointed Diane Oringer as substitute nurse for the 2007 Special Education Summer School program at the hourly substitute nurse rate of \$20.00, effective August 3 and August 10, 2007, 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., as recommended by the Superintendent. Such appointment is subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to the fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required

