

CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Catskill, New York

Special Meeting

Board of Education Minutes

August 31, 2015

CHS Library

7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: W. Fiske, T. Darling, A. Jones, C. Kirch, S. Kubicek, K. Lyles, R. Osswald, J. Nearey, J. Shah

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: K. Farrell, P. McDougall

(A) CALL TO ORDER; DESIGNATION OF EMERGENCY EXITS; ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A.1 The meeting is called to order by Board President Jones at 7:02pm, emergency exits designated, the Pledge of Allegiance recited, and roll call taken.

Call to Order

(B) EXECUTIVE SESSION

The employment history of a particular person, to discuss matters made exempt by federal or state law; FERPA.

A MOTION (Nearey/Osswald) **to go into Executive Session at 7:03pm.**

Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.

Executive Session

(C) RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

A MOTION (Kubicek/Fiske) **to return to Public Session at 8:04pm.**

Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.

(D) VISITOR RECOGNITION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Visitor Recognition
on Agenda items

(E) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- *A moment of silence for the recent passing of Donald White.*
- *Student orientation next week pre-k, K, 6, 9.*
- *Rev. Turpin coordinating community dinner w/CCSD.*
- *Patti Dushane, Elk's Club handed out approximately 120 backpacks for students at event in Hop-o-nose.*
- *New immunization regulations effective 9/1/15.*
- *Currently have 58 students enrolled in pre-K and 121 in Kindergarten.*
- *District was selected to participate in a federal study in October.*
- *Kerry Overbaugh and Colleen Hall participated in a Health Careers & pathways meeting at HVCC.*
- *Solution Tree presentations to take place this Tuesday and Wednesday.*

Superintendent's
Report

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(F) BOARD REPORT

Board Report

The Superintendent and the Board of Education President recommend the following items for consent agenda, according to Board Policy: G-F13

A MOTION (Shah/Fiske) to approve the recommendation as stated above.

Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.

(F(G) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

The Board of Education hereby approves the 7/1/15 and 7/22/15 Board of Education meeting minutes.

(H) PERSONNEL- INSTRUCTIONAL/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

H.1 Resignations

Resignations

H.1.a Resignation of Bruce Schmidt, Athletic Director

Bruce Schmidt

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Bruce Schmidt**, Athletic Director, effective August 15, 2015, for the purpose of retirement.

H.1.b Resignation of Brianna Diskin, Reading Specialist, CES

Brianna Diskin

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Brianna Diskin**, as a Reading Specialist, CES, effective July 24, 2015 for personal reasons.

H.1.c Resignation of Preston Jacob, Monitor, CHS

Preston Jacob

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Preston Jacob**, as a Monitor, assigned to CHS-Fitness Center, effective July 27, 2015, for personal reasons.

H.1.d Resignation of Amber Umaña, Teaching Assistant, CMS

Amber Umaña

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Amber Umaña**, Teaching Assistant, assigned to CMS, effective July 30, 2015, to accept another position within the district.

H.1.e Resignation of Christie Slater (Biegel), Teacher Aide, CES

Christie Slater

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Christie Slater**, Teacher Aide, assigned to CES-Special Education, effective August 5, 2015, to accept another position within the district.

H.1.f Resignation of James Scannapieco, Teacher Aide, CES

James Scannapieco

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **James Scannapieco**, Teacher Aide, assigned to CES, effective August 11, 2015, for personal reasons.

H.1.g Resignation of Lisa Van Dyke, Teaching Assistant, CES

Lisa Van Dyke

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts

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the resignation of **Lisa Van Dyke**, Teaching Assistant, assigned to CES, effective September 1, 2015, to accept another position within the district.

H.1.h Resignation of Heather Tuey, Teaching Assistant, CES

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Heather Tuey**, Teaching Assistant, assigned to CES, effective August 10, 2015, for personal reasons.

Heather Tuey

H.1.i Resignation of Elizabeth Conrad, Advisor, Odyssey of the Mind, CMS

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Elizabeth Conrad**, Advisor, Odyssey of the Mind, CMS effective July 7, 2015, for personal reasons.

Elizabeth Conrad

H.1.j Resignation of Brianna Funck, Advisor, Odyssey of the Mind, CMS

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Brianna Funck**, Advisor, Odyssey of the Mind, CMS effective July 7, 2015, for personal reasons.

Brianna Funck

H.1.k Resignation of Kristofer Rose, Teaching Assistant, District Wide

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Kristofer Rose**, Teaching Assistant, District Wide, effective September 7, 2015, for personal reasons.

Kristofer Rose

H.2 Leave of Absence

H.2.a Leave of Absence, Dylan Dombroski

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves a leave of absence for **Dylan Dombroski**, Teaching Assistant, District Technology, effective September 1, 2015 to June 24, 2016 to accept the provisional Computer Technician position within the district.

Dylan Dombroski

H.2.b Leave of Absence, Stacey Donald

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves a leave of absence for **Stacey Donald**, Teacher Aide, CES-Special Education, effective September 1, 2015 to June 24, 2016 to accept a Teaching Assistant, CES-Special Education, Leave of Absence position within the district.

Stacey Donald

H.3 Acceptance of Transfer/Reassignment Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Transfer/Reassignment Recommendation for the 2015-2016 school year, to be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

H.4 Appointments

Appointments

H.4.a Appointments of Extra-Curricular Advisors 2015-2016

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Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Advisors for the 2015-2016 school year and be paid the stipend amount as stated below.

Michelle Storrs

ADVISOR	ACTIVITY	STIPEND
Advisors - High School		
Michelle Storrs	Musical Production Director	2522
Michelle Storrs	Stage Crew	2522
Advisors - Middle School		
Colleen Nabozny	Odyssey of the Mind	1261

Michelle Storrs

Colleen Nabozney

H.4.b. Appointment of Autism Advisory Group Chairperson 2015-2016

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following as Autism Advisory Chairpersons for the 2015-16 school year to be paid a stipend of \$2,750. Effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Lisa Noyes

- Lisa Noyes

H.4.c Appointment of Turnkey Trainers

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following faculty as Turnkey trainers for the 2015-2016 School Year. Compensation per CTA contract.

Terri Cozzaglio

Joseph Crocetta

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- Terri Cozzaglio
- Joseph Crocetta

H.4.d Appointment of Monitor, CMS

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Amy Smith** as a 5.5 hour per day monitor, assigned to CMS, to be paid a rate of \$12.84 per hour, effective September 1, 2015.

Amy Smith

H.4.e Appointment of Teaching Assistant for Leave of Absence, District Technology

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Dana Nordstrom** as a 7.0 hour per day Teaching Assistant, District Technology, (NYS ELA 7-12 Initial, Childhood Education gr. 1-6, Initial) for a one year leave replacement, effective September 1, 2015 and terminating June 24, 2016, to be paid a rate of \$13.97 per hour. Pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check. (leave for Dylan Dombroski)

Dana Nordstrom

H.4.f Appointment of Teaching Assistant, CES, Special Education

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of

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Education hereby approves the appointment of **Stacey Donald** as a 7.0 hour per day Teaching Assistant, assigned to CES, Special Education (NYS Teaching Assistant Level I) in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, for a four-year probationary term, effective September 1, 2015 and terminating August 31, 2019, except to the extent required by Education Law Section 3012, and to be paid a rate of \$13.97 per hour. Pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check.

Stacey Donald

H.4.g Probationary Appointment of Special Education Teacher, CES, Gr. 3-5 BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves the appointment of **Amber Umaña** as an Elementary Special Education Teacher, (Initial Certificate NYS Students with Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Initial Childhood Education Gr. 1-6), in the General Special Education tenure area, for a four-year probationary term, effective September 1, 2015 and terminating August 31, 2019, except to the extent required by Education Law Section 3012, at an annual salary of \$47,321 (Step 1D of the CTA Salary Schedule) pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check, assigned to CES.

Amber Umaña

H.4.h Probationary Appointment of Special Education Teacher, CES, Gr. K-2 BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves the appointment of **Jolie Moorhus** as an Elementary Special Education Teacher, (Initial Certificate NYS Students with Disabilities B-2 & Gr. 1-6, Initial Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial Early Childhood Education B-2), in the General Special Education tenure area, for a four-year probationary term, effective September 1, 2015 and terminating August 31, 2019, except to the extent required by Education Law Section 3012, at an annual salary of \$47,321 (Step 1D of the CTA Salary Schedule) pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check, assigned to CES.

Jolie Moorhus

H.4.i Probationary Appointment of Special Education Teacher, CES, Gr. 2-3 BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves the appointment of **Melissa Ritter** as an Elementary Special Education Teacher, (Initial Certificate NYS Students with Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Initial Childhood Education Gr. 1-6), in the General Special Education tenure area, for a four-year probationary term, effective September 1, 2015 and terminating August 31, 2019, except to the extent required by Education Law Section 3012, at an annual salary of \$47,321 (Step 1D of the CTA Salary Schedule) pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check, assigned to CES.

Melissa Ritter

H.4.j Probationary Appointment of Reading Specialist, CES BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves the appointment of **Lisa Van Dyke** as a Reading Specialist, (Permanent Certificate NYS Nursery, Kindergarten, Gr. 1-6, Permanent Reading Teacher) in the General Special Education tenure area, for a four-year probationary term, effective September 1, 2015 and terminating August 31, 2019, except to the extent required by Education Law Section 3012, at an annual salary of \$54,449 (Step 6D of the CTA Salary Schedule) pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history

Lisa Van Dyke

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background check, assigned to CES.

H.4.k Appointment of Short Term Substitute Reading Specialist, CES

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the appointment of **Tara Martin-Patterson** as a Short Term Substitute Reading Specialist, CES, effective September 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015, (leave for Kristina Atanasio).

Tara Martin-Patterson

H.4.l Provisional Appointment of Administrative Assistant, assigned to CHS

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the provisional appointment of **Tracy Gaffney** as Administrative Assistant assigned to CHS, at an annual salary of \$29,223, effective September 1, 2015, pending clearance of fingerprint supported criminal history background check and maintenance of minimum civil service requirements at next civil service test administration.

Tracy Gaffney

H.5 Acceptance of Additional Recommendation of the Committee on Special Education/Committee on Pre-School Special Education for Classification and Placement of Children with Disabilities

The Committees on Special Education and Pre-School Special Education have submitted additional recommendations for the classification and placement of children with disabilities in the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school year.

CSE/CPSE

Resolved: That the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE meetings 6/22/15, 6/23/15, 4/28/15, 6/18/15, 5/22/15, 3/17/15, 12/18/14, 3/16/15, 5/04/15, 5/05/15, 5/07/15, 4/30/15, 5/19/15, 5/28/15, 4/23/15, 3/31/15, 7/07/15, 7/31/15, 7/24/15, student's #'s:31002457, 31002622, 31000498, 31000908, 31002736, 31002535, 31002740, 31001822, 31003187, 31002760, 31000909, 031000529, 31002936, 31002831, 31002832, 31002674, 31003322, 31002577, 3100301031002566, 31003028, 31002675, 31002989, 31002587, 31003198, 31002648, 31002997, 31002677, 31002949, 31003083, 31003073, 031000563, 31002030, 31001981, 31002699, are approved.

H.6 Approval of Budget Transfers

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board hereby accepts budget transfers as submitted by the Treasurer.

Budget Transfers

H.7 Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the June 2015 Treasurer's Report, as submitted by the Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report

H.8 Acceptance of Extra-Classroom Activities Accounts Update

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Extra-Classroom Activities Accounts update through June 30, 2015, as submitted by the Extra-Classroom Activities Account Treasurer.

Extra-Classroom Activities Accounts

H.9 Acceptance of the Claims Audit Report

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the May 2015, June 2015, and July 2015 Claims Audit Report, as submitted by the Claims Auditor. Claims Audit Report

H.10 Approval of Clarke Scholarship Discontinuation

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the following recommendations of the Clarke Scholarship executive committee: Discontinuation of Clarke Scholarship for the Class of 2012 Student #3371. Clarke Scholarship Discontinuation

H.11 Declaration of Obsolete/Surplus Books and Equipment

WHEREAS, the District owns books and equipment, which are no longer useful or necessary for school District purposes, and is of no value to the School District, as indicated on the (list attached) and made a part of this resolution, Obsolete/Surplus
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby declares such books and equipment to be Surplus/obsolete property and of no value to the School District and authorizes the disposal of such obsolete books and equipment.

H.12 Acceptance of Donation from the Rensselaer/Columbia/Greene Supt's Association

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the donation of \$100.00 from the Rensselaer/Columbia/Greene Supt's Association to the Catskill Central School District for the Catskill Cats Scholarship Fund in Memory of Arthur Glesmer. Donations
Rensselaer/Columbia /Greene Supt's Assoc.

H.13 Acceptance of Donation from V. James DiPerna Photography.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the donation of one 24x36 Gallery Wrap Canvas Print of the High School Building from V. James DiPerna Photography to the Catskill Central School District. V. James DiPerna

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

(I) BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

I.1 Tax Certiorari Proceedings

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes its attorneys, Shaw, Perelson, May and Lambert LLP to execute a Stipulation of Settlement and Order and Judgement in a tax certiorari proceeding captioned :

Tax Certiorari

Holcim (US) Inc. v. Town of Catskill and the Catskill Central School District:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes the refund of taxes as required by the terms of the Consent Judgment.

A MOTION (Darling/Osswald) **to approve the recommendation as stated above.**
Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.

I.2 Tax Certiorari Proceedings

Tax Certiorari

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes its attorneys, Shaw, Perelson, May and Lambert LLP to execute a Stipulation of Settlement and Order and Judgement in a tax certiorari proceeding captioned :

Rite Aid of New York v. Town of Catskill and the Catskill Central School District:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes the refund of taxes as required by the terms of the Consent Judgment.

A MOTION (Kubicek/Nearey) **to approve the recommendation as stated above.**
Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.

I.3 Resolution to Confirm Tax Rolls and Authorize Tax Levy

WHEREAS the Board of Education has been authorized by the voters at the Annual School Meeting to raise for the current budget of the 2015-2016 school year a sum not to exceed \$40,102,047 for the School District and \$565,914 for the Catskill Public Library;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the board fix the equalized tax rates by towns and confirm the extension of the taxes as they appear on the described tax roll.

AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED THAT the tax warrant of this board, duly signed shall be affixed to the above-described tax rolls authorizing the collection of said taxes to begin September 3, 2015 and end November 4, 2015 giving the tax warrant an effective period of days at the expiration of which time the tax collector shall make an accounting in writing to the board;

AND IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED THAT the delinquent tax penalties shall be fixed as follows:

- 1st month free period September 3, 2015 to October 3, 2015
- 2nd month interest of two percent added October 4, 2015 to November 4, 2015.

BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

To the collector of Catskill Central School District, Town(s) of Catskill, Athens, and Cairo and Villages of Catskill and Athens, County of Greene in New York State.

You are hereby commanded:

1. To give notice and start collection on September 3, 2015 in accordance with Sections 1322 and 1338 of the Real Property Tax Law.
2. To give notice that tax collection will end on **November 4, 2015**.
3. To collect taxes in the total sum of \$ 17,535,598.00 (\$16,969,684-school district and \$565,914.00 for the library) in the same manner that collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes in accordance with Section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law less the amount to be received as STAR reimbursement from New York State.

Confirm Tax Rolls
and Authorize Tax
Levy

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- 4. To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons the sums listed on the attached tax rolls without interest and penalties when such sums are paid before the end of the first month of the tax collection period, designated as on or before October 3, 2015.
- 5. To collect, after the expiration of the one month period, the residue of the sums not paid, together with the fees prescribed in Section 2130 of the Education Law and Section 1328 of the Real Property Tax Law.
- 6. To promptly return the warrant at its expiration and, if any taxes on the attached tax rolls shall be unpaid at that time, deliver an accounting thereof as required by Section 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.

**A MOTION (Nearey/Kubicek) to approve the recommendation as stated above.
 Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.**

(J) FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

- 1. September 9, 2015 – New Employee Reception– CHS Library – 6:30 PM
Workshop 7:00 PM
- 2. September 30, 2015 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
- 3. October 7, 2015 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM - Workshop
- 4. October 21, 2015 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**

Future Board Meetings

(K) VISITOR RECOGNITION ON SCHOOL RELATED NON-AGENDA ITEMS

(L) COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

- Policy 9/24/15

(M) ADJOURNMENT

**A MOTION (Fiske/Shah) to adjourn at 8:15pm.
 Results: Aye 9 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0. Motion carried.**

Adjournment

District Clerk