

**PAWLING CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES -  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**APPROVED**

Pawling Central School

Date of Meeting: Monday, January 08, 2007  
Time of Meeting: 7:30 P.M.  
Type of Meeting: Business Meeting  
Place of Meeting: Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room

Board Members Present: Pauline Kaplan, Board President  
Henrietta Lodge, Vice President  
Thomas Clark  
Helen Grosso (arrived 7:35pm)  
Bruce Cunningham  
Dennis Munnelly  
Teri Olson

Board Members Absent:

Admin. Staff Present: Joseph Sciortino, Superintendent  
Frank Tolan  
George Vanderzell  
Anthony Saracino  
Susan Frank  
John Bellucci  
Sonya Abbye Taylor  
George Newman  
Margie Clarke  
Evelyn Perrault

Admin. Staff Absent: Robert Hamilton

Business Meeting **called to order** by Board President  
**Roll Call** was taken by the Board Clerk  
**Pledge** to the Flag

**Board President Comments**

Welcome to everyone here tonight the first meeting of 2007. Went to the reception for the reflections program it was wonderful to see how many talented kids we have in this district, from kindergarten right up to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Visitor's Comments**

None

**Board Remarks**

Henrietta Lodge wanted to point out two items in the School Newsletters: 1. Students caught moodle-ing in Science class.  
2. The social studies club at the academic world quest. Both looked to be really exciting things happening in the district and she just wanted to point them out.

**Presentation:**

**TRANSPORTATION REPORT - Margie Clarke, Asst. Supt. for Finance**

**CALL TO ORDER  
ROLL CALL  
PLEDGE**

**Board Pres. Comments**

**Visitor's Comments**

**Board Remarks**

**PRESENTATION**

Overview of the transportation needs for the district.  
**STAFFING NEEDS FOR 2007-2008 - Joseph Sciortino, Superintendent, Margie Clarke, Asst. Supt. for Finance**  
Overview of the staffing needs for the district.

**Agenda order:**

Motion by Bruce Cunningham, seconded by Teri Olson that the Board of Education to approve the following additions, deletions/changes and order of the agenda as presented.

- 8.1 b. Resignation
- 14.2 Appointment Supervisor of Transportation

Motion by Thomas Clark, seconded by Henrietta Lodge and carried unanimously that the Board of Education accepts all asterisked (\*) items as the consent agenda.

- 8.1 Resignation(s)
  - A. High School Science Teacher
  - B. Long Term Substitute Guidance Counselor (MS)
- 8.2 Appointments:
  - A. Substitute Teacher(s)
  - B. Substitute Teacher Aides
- 8.3 Approve Team Volunteers
- 8.4 Approve Student Teachers
- 8.5 Grant Tenure (Guidance Counselor)
- 9.1 Accept Financial Reports
  - Bank Reconciliations month ending September 2006
  - Revenue/Expenditure Reports month ending September 2006
  - Summary of Cash Balances month ending September 2006
  - Pawling Central Middle School Activity Fund Report, September 2006
  - Pawling High School Activity Fund Report, September 2006
- 9.2 Accept Offer for Obsolete (Bus) Vehicles
- 9.3 Authorize District Treasurer to Refund/Adjust Tax Payments
- 10.1 Accept Individualized Education Plans
- 11.1 Approve Late Transportation Requests
- 11.2 Accept Donations
  - A. Darkroom Equipment from Dr. James Ansley
  - B. \$50.00 from Yeshiva University for health related materials
  - C. Therapeutic Whirlpool from the Jones

**Consent Agenda Discussion**

Congratulations to the Guidance Counselor, Pamela Hildenbrand who is receiving tenure tonight. A discussion was held about the merit of accepting the donation of the Darkroom equipment. It was decided that there merit in taking in this equipment because it teaches the basic elements of photograph.

**Minutes**

Motion by Bruce Cunningham, seconded by Teri Olson and carried unanimously that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meeting:

**December 11, 2006**

**AGENDA ORDER**

**APPROVE CONSENT  
AGENDA**

**APPROVE MINUTES**

**Personnel**

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept the following resignation(s):

Lisa Devine, (verbal resignation), High School Science Teacher, effective the end of the day on December 12, 2006.

Lisa Petta, long term substitute Guidance Counselor (Middle School) effective February 3, 2007

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept the following appointments:

The following individual(s) as substitute teacher(s) for 2006-2007 school year:

Lauren Woodin, college student, with continuing employment dependent upon fingerprint clearance from the State Education Department.

The following individuals as substitute teacher aides on an as needed basis effective January 3, 2007 for the remainder of the 2006-07 school year at the hourly rate of \$7.15:

Renee Boo, Kim DiGregoria, Terri, Delgiudice, Antionette Smith, Kim Schmitz, Yvette Gerard, Patricia Sinisi, Maria Pizzolongo, Janice Scalice.

Note: All employed part time as Lunch Monitors and would be available to substitute during their off hours.

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education approve the following team volunteers for Ice Hockey, effective December 18, 2006 for the 2006-07 season:

Trevor Griffen  
Brittany Rosselle  
Jeremy Apple

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education approve the following Elementary School student teacher placements:

Kelly Predham of PACE University; placement 1 with Chip Ackerman – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – January 22<sup>nd</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007; placement 2 with Jennifer Woolley – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade – March 19<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Jessica Fila of Manhattanville College; placement with Betty Nagasing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – January 16<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby grants tenure to Pamela Hildenbrand in the Guidance Counselor tenure area effective February 28, 2007.

**Financial**

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept the following financial reports:

**PERSONNEL**

Resignation(s)

High School Science Teacher

Long term substitute Guidance Counselor

Appointment(s)

Substitute teacher

Substitute teacher aides

Team Volunteers

Student Teachers

Grant Tenure

**FINANCIAL**

Financial Reports

Bank Reconciliations month ending September 2006  
 Revenue/Expenditure Reports month ending September 2006  
 Summary of Cash Balances month ending September 2006  
 Pawling Central Middle School Activity Fund Report, September 2006  
 Pawling High School Activity Fund Report, September 2006

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept the offer of \$2,150 from Heavy Equipment of Florham Park, NJ, for the purchase of the following obsolete vehicles:

1996 Ford School Vans, Vehicle ID #1FDJE37F7THA20572  
 1997 Ford (Bus #65)  
 1993 International - Model 380 - 66 Passenger School Bus, Vin # 1HVBBPEN1PH496366  
 1996 Ford/Giardin E350 7.3 Diesel, 20 passenger, School Van

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept the following refunds/adjustments of taxes collected and authorize the district treasurer to issue same.

Offer for Purchase of  
 Obsolete Buses

Authorize District Treasurer  
 to Refund/Adjust Tax  
 Payments

Taxpayer	Bill#	Property #	Amount	New Amt.	Refund Amt
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George Corboy (owner)	1271	6857-18-295037			
Paid by:					
Kathleen Bleakney					\$ 78.32
Denise M. Mongeau					\$1,566.51
Louis J. Somoza		7157-00-628638			\$4,500.00

**ADJUSTMENTS:**

Campanaro & Tomkovitz -was \$9,016.15, should have included fees \$9,196.84

Lucy Kutchma - Should go to Pyramid Title \$3,291.62

Citimortgage - Assessment adjustment \$1,319.03  
 Sean Boyd

Louis Iannucelli -Assessment adjustment \$ 58.01

Country Wide - Assessment refund \$ 186.48  
 Bruce &Tara Lombardo

Citi Mortgage - Assessment refund \$ 323.25  
 Joseph & Karen Giannantonio

**Committee on Special Education**

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept the following Individualized Education plans:

5063, 9814, 5064, 9812, 10567, 200777, 100055, 200358, 10409,  
 10172, 10374, 10935, 200870, 02003, 9880, 11014, 200400, 10095,

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
 Accept IEP's

09896, 9884, 10950, 10249, 10837, 10764, 10848, 100060, 200505, 200100, 10444, 10801, 10482, 10674, 200816, 10427, 9580, 9999, 5084, 9424, 10197,02069, 100026, 200595

**Board of Education**

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education approve the following late transportation requests:

- C. & C. Everett to Mizzen-top Day School
- A. Panzer to A.M. Child Care
- T. and C. Dykeman to day care provider as scheduled
- N. Empara A.M. and P.M. After School Care
- N. Norstein daycare provider M,T,T,Fri P.M.
- L. & J. Thomas, PM daycare provider

\*Approved as part of the consent agenda that the Board of Education accept, with thanks, the following donations:

Darkroom equipment for our photography program from Dr. James Ansley, a veterinarian formerly practicing in our area:

4 airproof chemical containers	\$ 48.00
Zone VI measuring board	\$ 40.00
Seal 210M Drymount Press	\$415.00
Gralab 168 Timer	\$ 70.00
Zone VI print washer	\$ 60.00
Cold Light Stabilizer	\$ 50.00
Enlarger Compensating Timer	\$200.00
Solid State Timer	\$ 70.00
Schneider Componon S 150mm enlarger lens	\$225.00
Beseler 4X5 Enlarger with base	\$750.00
Zone VI Cold Light Head	\$100.00
Schneider Componon S 80mm enlarger lens	\$120.00
Zone VI contact printer	\$ 50.00
Microsight Grain Focuser	\$ 55.00
Developer compensating timer	<u>\$180.00</u>

Total Estimated Value \$2433.00

\$50.00 to purchase games/equipment for indoor recess (health related materials) for Pawling Central Middle School donated by Yeshiva University, 500 West 185<sup>th</sup> St., New York, NY.

Therapeutic Whirlpool from Peter and Monica Jones with an estimated value of \$4,000 to be used by our athletes to treat injuries.

Motion by Henrietta Lodge, seconded by Teri Olson and carried unanimously that the Board of Education remove the following resolution from the table and approve the SEQRA Process for Elementary Roof Replacement and Masonry Repair at E.S. as follows:

**Whereas**, the Board of Education is planning a project involving Roof Replacement and Masonry Repairs at the Pawling Elementary School.

**Whereas**, the Board of Education has reviewed the components, phases and aspects of the proposed project;

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Late Transportation Request

Accept Donations

Darkroom equipment

Games/equipment for indoor recess

Therapeutic Whirlpool

Elementary School Roof & Masonry Project – SEQRA

**Therefore, be it resolved,** that the Board of Education of the Pawling Central School District is hereby designated lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for the proposed project; and

**Be it further resolved,** that the Board of Education hereby determines that the proposed Roof Replacement and Masonry Repair is a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5( c )( 1) &(8) of the SEQRA Regulations and will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

#### Old Business

Enrollment/Land Purchase Update:

Information for the Demographic survey will be given to the board in executive session. We have also found out the Dover is considering a study as well, this is good for us because we can do this in cooperation with BOCES. We did request information from three different companies and we did not get a significant amount of information from the other companies.

Land purchase – we have continued to study the opportunities that are out there and we had another property to look at and we will need to have a few more conversations with the board to see if we would like to proceed and learn more about this property.

Opt-out letter – Is written by the Lawyers, based on no child left behind you must treat each equally, you either allow the military and colleges to have the information or you allow neither.

#### New Business

Discussion – 2006-07 District Goals

Motion by Henrietta Lodge, seconded by Bruce Cunningham and carried unanimously that the Board of Education accepts the 2006-2007 District goals.

#### Administrative Reports

Superintendent - My meetings continue with the HS students, we are meeting with director of food services to implement some of the suggestions with regards to lunch. We also discussed the locker rooms and that they are in need of repair. Estimates are being requested for the Middle School floor repairs.

Elementary Principal – Assessments begin tomorrow and we are ready.

Middle School Principal – We had 3 outstanding events: The Holiday concert, The Faculty vs. the 8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball game, which the faculty won. Also the Geography bee which was held after school today. Also started our assessments today.

Middle School Dean of Student – Continuing to plan class trips.

High School Principal Thanks to the Guidance Office for the help with the financial aid night it was well attended by the parents. We are putting together a college panel of students who have graduated to speak with the current class about college selection process.

Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum and Personnel – The reflections evening was wonderful the PTA & PTSA did a terrific job. Math training will start tomorrow.

Asst. Superintendent for Finance – Joseph & I are looking at different school districts that are similar to us. We will get that information

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Accept 2006-2007 district goals

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

together.

Director of Special Education – The Wilson reading training was started for many of our special education teachers.

Dean of Students/Athletic Director – Girls Basketball team is ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in the state. They have a game at home tomorrow night at 6:15pm

Director of Facilities and Operations - None

Supervisor of Transportation – I will miss everyone very much.

**Visitors' Comments** –

A member of the community wanted to know if Evelyn was in agreement with the 10 years that a large bus could be used. It depends on the roads and the route the bus travels, but some buses last longer than 10 years.

A member of the community wanted to know if leasing a bus was similar to leasing a car, do you own the bus after the lease. The buses are owned by the district when the lease is paid.

**Executive Session**

Motion by Thomas Clark, seconded by Teri Olson and carried unanimously that the Board of Education enters Executive Session to discuss specific personnel issues and legal issues.

**Time: 10:05 PM**

The following was recorded by Henrietta Lodge, clerk pro tem:

Motion by Thomas Clark, seconded by Teri Olson and carried unanimously that the Board of Education reconvenes to open session for the purpose of voting on 14.2.

**Time: 11:24 PM**

Motion by Dennis Munnely, seconded by Teri Olson and carried unanimously that the Board of Education approve Holley Alger Vinchiarello as Supervisor of Transportation at Step 1 of the Pawling Civil Service Administrators' Association contract at the annual rate of \$54,313 (prorated) effective January 29, 2007, with a six month probationary period and continuing employment dependent upon fingerprint clearance from the State Education Department.

Motion by Bruce Cunningham, seconded by Thomas Clark and carried unanimously that the Board of Education adjourns this meeting.

**Time: 11:26 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Generoso  
District Clerk

**VISITORS' COMMENTS**

Executive Session

Reconvenes to open session

Approve Supervisor of  
Transportation

**ADJOURN**