

**CONNETQUOT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
780 Ocean Avenue, Bohemia, New York 11716**

**MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER (6:01 p.m.)**

Board President Lee Kennedy called a Business Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:01 p.m. The meeting took place in the Barney Stejskal Boardroom of the Central Administration Office, 780 Ocean Avenue, Bohemia, New York. Newsday, Suffolk County News, Messenger Review, Pennysaver News, Ronkonkoma Review and Place Newspaper were notified of this meeting. Notices were also sent to all school buildings and to the Connetquot Public Library.

Call to Order

**B. EXECUTIVE SESSION (6:01 p.m.)**

On a motion by Michael Kealey, seconded by James McHale, and carries unanimously, the meeting moved into Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. in accordance with Open Meeting Law 105 (f) personnel matters. Discussions: Personnel Matters, and other Issues

Executive Session

Board of Education Members Present: President Lee Kennedy, Vice President Michael Kealey, Trustee Stephen Badala, Trustee Charles Gee, and Trustee James McHale

Members Absent: None            Members Late: None

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alan B. Groveman, Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Personnel Ross Goldin, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Peggie Staib, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business & Finance Charles Snyder (in at 6:45 p.m.), and School District Attorney Vanessa Sheehan

**CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION (7:45 p.m.)**

On a motion by Charles Gee; seconded by Stephen Badala, and carried unanimously, the meeting moved out of Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. A short recess followed.

Close Executive Session

**OPEN SESSION**

The meeting reconvened at 7:59 p.m.

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL (7:59 p.m.)**

President Lee Kennedy led the Pledge of Allegiance. After the Pledge, there was a moment of silence in honor of our servicemen, women and prisoners of war.

Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call

Members present: President Lee Kennedy, Vice President Michael Kealey, Trustee Stephen Badala, Trustee Charles Gee, and Trustee James McHale

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alan B. Groveman, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Personnel Ross Goldin, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Peggie Staib, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business & Finance Charles Snyder, School District Attorney Vanessa Sheehan, Student Government Representative Kimberly Whitehead, members of the BAC, staff, and other members of the community

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Presented by Judeth DeGree, District Clerk of the Board of Education:

Approve  
Minutes

- Business Meeting of April 10, 2007  
On a motion by Stephen Badala; seconded by Michael Kealey, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Minutes of the Business Meeting of April 10, 2007.

**RECOGNITION**

**E. COMMENDATIONS/EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT**

This section of the agenda gave the Board of Education an opportunity to commend individuals for outstanding accomplishments and/or contributions, and to spotlight the District's programs or other educational initiatives.

**Connetquot High School Germanic Tour**

Recognize  
Barbara Flood  
and the  
Connetquot  
HS Choir

Mrs. Barbara Flood and the Connetquot High School Choir participated in a Germanic Tour March 28 through April 6, 2007. They shared their experiences through power point and cappella presentations.

**F. RESOLUTION**

Resolved, that the Board of Education does hereby move to suspend Policy #'s 2342-E and 2350 for this evening in order to enter into a Planning Session at which no other action, other than Personnel Items and Budget Adoption, will be taken.

**G. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

**1. PERSONNEL**

**a. Resignations, Terminations, Leaves of Absence, Position Abolition:**

On a motion by Charles Gee; seconded by Michael Kealey, and carried unanimously, the Board approved resignations, terminations, leaves of absence and/or position abolitions, in accordance with applicable provisions of Education Law and Civil Service Law, as recommended by The Superintendent of Schools - cited in **SCHEDULE I:**

Approve  
Resignations,  
Terminations,  
Leaves of  
Absence,  
Position  
Abolition

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**RESIGNATIONS, TERMINATIONS, LEAVES OF ABSENCE, POSITION  
ABOLITIONS**

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The Superintendent of Schools recommends the Board of Education approve the following resignations, terminations, leaves of absence, and/or position abolitions in accordance with applicable provisions of Education Law and Civil Service Law.

- (1) **Managerial Personnel**  
No recommended action
- (2) **Confidential Personnel**  
No recommended action
- (3) **Instructional & Instructional Support Personnel (Certification)**  
No recommended action
- (4) **Non-Instructional Personnel (Civil Service & Non-Certificated)**  
No recommended action
- (5) **Other (Abolition of Position, Co-curricular, etc)**  
No recommended action

**b. Appointments, Tenure, Salary Changes:**

On a motion by Michael Kealey; seconded by Stephen Badala, and carried unanimously; the Board approved employment appointments, tenure appointments and salary changes, as amended, in accordance with applicable provisions of Education Law and Civil Service Law, as recommended by The Superintendent of Schools - cited in **SCHEDULE II**

Approve  
Appointments,  
Tenure, Salary  
Changes

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**FULL TIME/PART TIME EMPLOYMENT, TENURE APPOINTMENT, SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT, CO-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS, SALARY CHANGES**

The Superintendent of Schools recommends the Board of Education approve the following employment Appointments, tenure appointments, and salary changes in accordance with applicable provisions of Education Law and Civil Service Law.

- (1) **Managerial Personnel**  
No recommended action
- (2) **Confidential Personnel**  
No recommended action
- (3) **Instructional & Instructional Support Personnel (Certificated)**
  - (A) **BISSELL, WILLIAM**
  - Position..... Technology Education
  - Type of Appointment..... Conditional (Certification)
  - Assignment ..... Oakdale-Bohemia Middle School
  - Effective Date ..... September 1, 2007
  - Expiration Date..... June 30, 2010
  - Certification..... Technology K-12

Tenure Area..... Technology Education  
 Tenure Eligible Date ..... September 1, 2010  
 Salary ..... \$42,168 B (step 1)  
 Reason..... Replace Michael D’Orazio

(B) LONGO, CHRISTINA

Position..... English Teacher  
 Type of Appointment..... Long Term Substitute  
 Assignment ..... High School  
 Effective Date ..... February 1, 2007  
 Expiration Date..... On Or Before June 30, 2007  
 Certification..... Initial English 7-12  
 Tenure Area..... N/A  
 Tenure Eligible Date ..... N/A  
 Salary ..... \$100.00 per diem 1-20 days; \$125 per diem 21-40 days; \$150 41-60 days; after 60 days \$42,168 B (step 1)w/benefits, prorated  
 Reason..... Replace D. Folkman (Child Care Leave)

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(4) Non-Instructional Personnel (Civil Service & Non-Certificated)

(A) KNOX, BARBARANNE

Position..... Special Education Paraeducator  
 Type of Appointment..... Permanent  
 Assignment ..... Oakdale-Bohemia Middle School  
 Effective Date ..... April 18, 2007  
 Salary ..... \$13.92 per hour  
 Reason..... Replace C. Soper (Leave Of Absence)

(5) Other (Tenure Appointment, Co-Curricular, Substitute Personnel, Salary Changes, Etc)

Recommend that the Board confer appointment to the following for extra pay:

A. Teacher Center Inservice Instructor (effective for the 2006-2007 school year at a rate of \$80.10 per hour)

Virginia Harper

Recommend the Board of Education approve all full time professional staff to facilitate Collegial Circles at a rate of \$250.00.

B. Textbook Selection & Lab Committee (effective for the 2006-2007 school year at a rate of \$54.77/hour for 5 hours on each committee)

Mary Klimkoski

C. Chemistry Regents Review (effective April 18, 2007 to June 30, 2007 at a rate of \$57.14/hr)

Kim Norden

D. Recommend that the Board confer appointment to the following substitute personnel:

(1) ALMONTE, NICHOLAS

Position..... Substitute Custodial Worker  
Effective Date ..... April 18, 2007 to June 30, 2007  
Salary ..... \$9.00 per hour

(2) MURPHY, HEATHER

Position ..... Certified Substitute Teacher  
Effective Date..... April 17, 2007 to June 30, 2007  
Salary..... \$90 per diem

(3) SEVERIN, ROBERT

Position ..... Substitute Custodial Worker  
Effective Date ..... April 18, 2007 to June 30, 2007  
Salary ..... \$9.00 per hour

(4) WOODS, PAMELA

Position ..... Uncertified Substitute Teacher  
Effective Date..... April 17, 2007 to June 30, 2007  
Salary \$90 per diem

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Consent Agenda (No recommended items.)
- b. Discussion Items (No recommended items.)

4. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion Items

- (1) The Board adopted the Proposed 2007-2008 Budget:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education adopted the expenditure appropriation of \$148,363,151 to operate the schools for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and will present such budget appropriation to district residents for a vote on May 15, 2007, in the form of a single proposition.

On a motion by Lee Kennedy; seconded by Stephen Badala, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted the expenditure appropriation of \$148,363,151 to operate the schools for the 2007-2008 fiscal year

- (2) The Board adopted the Proposed 2007-2008 Contingent Budget, only to be enacted in the event that the Proposed Budget is not approved by district voters:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education adopted the Contingent expenditure appropriation of \$144,895,522 to operate the schools for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

On a motion by Stephen Badala; seconded by James McHale and carried unanimously, the Board adopted the Contingent expenditure appropriation of \$144,895,522 to operate the schools for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

- (3) The Board of Education established, pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law, a Reserve Fund to be known as the Connetquot Central School District Capital Reserve Fund. The purpose of the Reserve Fund shall be to finance, in whole or in part, necessary construction and reconstruction, renovations and improvements to District facilities as required by law or building condition including related site work and equipment related thereto. The ultimate amount of the Reserve Fund shall be no more than a maximum anticipated amount of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000). The probable term of the Reserve Fund shall be ten (10) years. The source of funds for the Reserve Fund shall be unanticipated fund balance and State and other reserves and will present such Reserve Fund to the District residents for a vote on May 15, 2007, in the form of a single proposition.

On a motion by Michael Kealey; seconded by Stephen Badala and carried unanimously, the Board established a Reserve Fund to be known as the Connetquot Central School District Capital Reserve Fund to be presented to District residents for a vote on May 15, 2007.

- (4) The Board of Education of the Connetquot Central School District authorized and directed the lease-purchase of school buses as follows: 66 passenger buses, 28 passenger buses and wheelchair buses as needed and to enter into an installment contract pursuant to Section 109 of the General Municipal Law to finance said lease-purchase for a total maximum cost of One Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,250,000) payable in five (5) annual installments of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) each over a period of

five (5) years, and to levy the necessary tax therefore and present such lease-purchase to the District residents for a vote on May 15, 2007, in the form of a single proposition.

**Authorize Lease-Purchase of Buses**

On a motion by Stephen Badala; seconded by James McHale and carried unanimously, the Board authorized a lease-purchase of school buses payable in five (5) annual installments of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) each over a period of five (5) years.

**1. Public Participation – Agenda Items**

- CCSD Reserve Funds
- Contingent and Proposed Budgets
- Lease-purchase of school buses
- Number of buses that will be leased/purchased under proposition

**Public Participation Agenda Items**

**J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (General)**

This section of the agenda gave the Board of Education an opportunity to recognize residents who wanted to raise questions or make brief statements about matters including, but not limited to, agenda items. The time available was limited for each question or statement.

- Q re: 9<sup>th</sup> period day
- Security measures in CCSD because of incident in Virginia last week?
- Q: Are metal detectors at school entrances being considered?
- How are students who are classified as ‘loners’ monitored?
- Q: re: communication between schools, follow-through, and authorization to initiate emergency procedures?

**Public Participation: General**

**K. ADJOURNMENT (9:30 p.m.)**

On a motion by Charles Gee; seconded by James McHale, and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Adjournment**

Judeth DeGree  
District Clerk