

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Date of Meeting: July 5, 2017

Type of Meeting: **RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING**

Location: Troy Middle School

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 5:45 pm Mrs. Bruno, Board Clerk, called the re-organization meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

Members Present: Mrs. Ann Apicella

Mrs. Carol Harvin

Ms. Mary Marro-Giroux

Mr. Tom Mayo

Mrs. Elizabeth Poleto Mr. Jason Schofield

Mr. Bill Strang

Mr. Michael Tuttman

Mrs. Anne Wager-Rounds

Also Present: Mr. John Carmello, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Donna Watson, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Adam Hotaling, Asst. Superintendent for Business

Ms. Kathy Ahearn, School Attorney

Absent: Mrs. Kristen Miaski, Director of Human Resources

B. ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

1. OATH OF NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS (by Board Clerk)

Mrs. Bruno administered the oath to the following re-elected Board members and each Board member also signed an oath book.

- Carol Harvin (Term July 1, 2017 June 30, 2020)
- Tom Mayo (Term July 1, 2017 June 30, 2020)
- Bill Strang (Term July 1, 2017 June 30, 2020)
- 2. ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT (Term July 1, 2017 June 30, 2018) (Education Law 2504, 2563)

Mrs. Bruno called for nominations for Board President.

Mrs. Wager-Rounds nominated Mr. Schofield.

Second: Mr. Mayo

There were no other nominations.

Motion to re-elect Mr. Schofield as President was unanimously carried 9-0.

3. OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY-ELECTED PRESIDENT (Public Officer's Law 5, 10, 30)

Mrs. Bruno administered the oath of office to Mr. Schofield, Board President. Mr. Schofield then presided over the remainder of the Re-org Board meeting.

4. ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION VICE PRESIDENT (Term July 1, 2017 - June 2018) (Education Law 2504, 2563)

Mr. Schofield called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Schofield nominated Mr. Mayo. Second: Mrs. Wager-Rounds There were no other nominations.

Motion to re-elect Mr. Mayo as Vice President was unanimously carried 9-0.

5. OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY-ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT (Public Officer's Law 5, 10, 30)

Mr. Schofield administered the oath to Mr. Mayo.

6. APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN

Mr. Schofield called for nominations for Parliamentarian.

Mr. Schofield nominated Mrs. Wager-Rounds.

Second: Mr. Mayo

There were no other nominations.

Motion to re-appoint Mrs. Wager-Rounds as Parliamentarian was carried 9-0.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Anne Wager-Rounds to serve as Board Parliamentarian for term July 1, 2017- June 30, 2018.

7. APPOINTMENT OF RECORDS ACCESS APPEALS OFFICER (Public Officer's Law 89 (a)(4))

Mr. Schofield called for nominations for Records Access Appeals Officer.

Mr. Schofield nominated Mr. Strang.

Second: Mr. Mayo

There were no other nominations.

Motion to re-appoint Mr. Strang as Records Access Appeals Officer was carried 9-0.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Bill Strang as Record Access Appeals Officer for Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests (such appointment being allowed by Paragraph {a} of Subdivision 4 of Section 89 of the Public Officers Law).

C. BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-16 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

Mr. Schofield administered the oath to Mrs. Bruno, Board Clerk.

Board Clerk (Education Law 2503, Commissioner's Regulation 170.2)
 (oath administered by Board President)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, appoints <u>Mary Beth Bruno</u> to serve as Board Clerk for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

2. <u>Internal Claims Auditor</u> (Education Law 2526, Commissioner's Regulation 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Kenneth Terry as Internal Claims Auditor for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

3. <u>Independent Auditor</u> (Education Law 2116-a and 8 NYCRR 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Cusack & Co. as Independent Auditor for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

4. School Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints the law firm of <u>Guercio & Guercio, LLP</u> as School Attorney for the purpose of general and labor counsel for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

5. Records Access Officer (8 NYCRR Section 185.2(a)(1)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Mary Beth Bruno as Records Access Officer for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

6. Tax Collector (Education Law 2506, Commissioner's Regulation 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints Emily Ruffinen as Tax Collector and also as the individual who will continue to assume the duties of Tax Collector for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

7. <u>District Treasurer</u> (Education Law 2503, Commissioner's Regulation 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints <u>Samantha Schweizer</u> to serve as District Treasurer for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

8. Purchasing Agent (8 NYCRR 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints <u>Deborah McCormick</u> to serve as Purchasing Agent for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

9. District's Title IX Compliance Officer

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints <u>Kristen Miaski</u> the District's Title IX Compliance Officer for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

10. Section 504 Compliance Officer

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints <u>Donna Watson</u> as the Section 504 Compliance Officer for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

11. District School Medical Officers (Commissioner's Regulations 136.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints the following as School District Medical Officers for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Dr. Isaac Racela Dr. John O'Bryan Riverview Pediatrics

12. Medicaid Compliance Officer

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint <u>Donna Watson</u> as Medicaid Compliance Officer for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Central Treasurer for Extra-Curricular Classroom Activity Accounts (Education Law 2503)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints <u>Giovanna Driscoll</u> as Central Treasurer for Extra-Curricular Classroom Activities Accounts for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

14. Determiner of Residency and Homeless Liaison

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint <u>Barbara Paulsen</u> as Determiner of Residency; and <u>Rosemary Fagan</u> as Homeless Liaison for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

15. Attendance Office (Education Law 3213)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints <u>Barbara Paulsen</u> as Attendance Officer for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

- 16. Oath to Appointed Officers (Public Officer's Law 5, 10, 30) (administered by Board Clerk)
 - Attendance Officer
 - Internal Claims Auditor
 - Tax Collector
 - District Treasurer
 - Deputy Treasurer
 - Purchasing Agent

D. BOARD OF EDUCATION DESIGNATIONS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-3 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

1. Official Bank Depository - All Funds

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, designate the following bank as depositories of the District funds for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

Pioneer Bank

Capital DASNY - Checking
Capital Fund - Checking
District Reserve Fund
Debt Service - Checking
General Fund - Money Market
General Fund - Checking
School Dinner - Checking

Payroll - Checking

2. Regular Monthly Meetings (Education Law 2504) (scheduled attached)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education will hold business meeting on the first Wednesday each month at 6:30 pm and third Wednesday at 6:00 pm as workshop meeting effective July 5, 2017.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that if such meeting is cancelled, an alternate date is to be scheduled.

3. Official Newspaper (Education Law 2004)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education designate *The Record* as the Troy City School District's official newspaper for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. The Superintendent of Schools shall be the <u>Spokesperson</u> for the District relating to media matters.

E. BOARD OF EDUCATION AUTHORIZATIONS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-7 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

1. Chief School Officer to Certify Payrolls

(Education Law 2523, Commissioner's Regulation 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize the Chief School Officer to certify payrolls. Chief School Officer shall be the Superintendent of Schools; in his absence it shall be the Assistant Superintendent for Business for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018).

2. <u>Authorization for Attendance at Conferences and Workshops</u> (Municipal Law 77-b)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to approve staff attendance at conferences, conventions, workshops, etc. with expense for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

3. <u>Authorization for Grant Applications</u> (Education Law Section 1720)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to apply for Grants in federal and state aid for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

4. Authorization to Establish Petty Cash Funds

(Education Law 1709-39, Commissioner's Regulation 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, establish for the 2017-18 school year, petty cash in the amount of \$75 each as follows:

The Custodian of each of the \$75. Petty Cash Funds shall be:

Natélegé Turner-Hassell Principal, School 2
Karen Cloutier Principal, School 14
Tracy Ford Principal, School 16
Virginia DonVito-MacPhee Principal, School 18
Roy Stiles Principal, Carroll Hill

James Canfield Principal, Alternative Learning Program

Brian Dunn Principal, Troy Middle School Joseph Mariano Principal, Troy High School

Mary Beth Bruno Board of Education
Guy Gardner Facilities Department

5. <u>Designation of Authorized Signatures of Checks</u> (Education Law 2523)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the signature the District Treasurer, <u>Samantha Schweizer</u> and Assistant Superintendent for Business, <u>Adam Hotaling</u>, each individually, as having authorization for checks, and be it (per Policy 6410)

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve checks to be signed with the facsimile signature of the District Treasurer or Assistant Superintendent for Business, as reproduced on the check signer.

6. Authorization for the Treasurer to Invest Funds (Education Law 2503)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, authorize the Treasurer to invest funds as they become available into Certificates of Deposit, Time Deposit Accounts, Treasury Bills and Repurchase Agreements on Treasury Bills with New York State Banks in accordance with legal provisions, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, request that the Treasurer report such investments at the next regular Board meeting following the investment action.

7. Chief School Officer to Make Transfer of Funds (Education Law 2523)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Chief School Officer to approve Budget Transfers of less than \$10,000. within major budget categories and that all transfers be reported to the Board on a monthly basis.

F. DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT (DASA) COORDINATORS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item F.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoints the following individuals as Dignity for All Students Act Coordinators for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Elizabeth VonEitzen – ALP Alexandria Phillips - CHS
Jennifer White - School 2 Lisa Ditroia- School 18
Lauren Reynolds – School 14 Sonya Shaw – TMS

Catherine Culkin-Boice – School 16 Christine Dauphinais – THS and District Coordinator

G. DESIGNEE TO APPOINT IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS (IHO)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item G.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby designates the <u>Board President</u> to appoint Impartial Hearing Officers when necessary to comply with the due process requirements of the IDEA and 8 NYCRR Section 200.5.

H. DESIGNEE FOR WORKER'S COMPENSATION CONSORTIUM

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item H.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby designates Adam Hotaling, Assistant Superintendent for Business, as the Board's representative to the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Workers' Compensation Consortium, and he is authorized and directed to execute the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Workers' Compensation Consortium Agreement to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance Benefits for the 2017-18 school year.

I. LETTER OF INTENT AUTHORIZATION

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item I.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the <u>Superintendent of Schools</u> to extend on its behalf offer(s) of employment with the District in the form of a letter of intent to qualified candidate(s), said employment and terms and conditions thereof to be subject to and contingent upon final approval by the Board of Education pursuant to Board resolution, and said Superintendent's authority as stated herein for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

J. BONDING OF PERSONNEL

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item J.

Second: Ms. Marro-Giroux

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, provide with the bonding for the following positions in the amounts stated:

All employees shall be covered by a \$500,000. blanket bond:

Superintendent of Schools Assistant Superintendents

Tax Collector

District Treasurer

Deputy Treasurer

Courier

Central Treasurer for Student Activities Accounts

Internal Claims Auditor

Following employees shall be <u>additionally covered</u> by \$1,000,000 excess policy:

Superintendent of Schools Assistant Superintendents Tax Collector District Treasurer Deputy Treasurer

K. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-3 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Discussion: Mrs. Harvin asked why the Building Grounds/Safety Committee is not

listed on the agenda. Mr. Schofield explained this is a District

committee, not a Board committee. Mrs. Harvin would like to be on the

Safety Committee (which starts in September).

Carried: 9-0

1. Audit Committee

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the members of the Board as a whole to comprise the <u>Audit Committee</u> for the 2017-2018 school year.

2. Policy Committee

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the following individuals to the <u>Policy Committee for the 2017-2018 school year:</u>

Ann Apicella Jason Schofield
Carol Harvin Anne Wager-Rounds

3. <u>Committee on Special Education</u>

(a) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the following individuals to the Committee on Special Education for the 2017-2018 school year:

Chairperson(s):

Lorraine Colistra Catherine Guthrie
Karen Driscoll Colleen Syrett
Donna Fitzgerald Holly Toteno

Amy Prabhakaran

School Physician School Psychologists Child's Regular Education Teacher Child's Special Education Teacher

(b) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the following individuals to the Committee on <u>Preschool Special Education</u> for the 2017-18 school year:

Chairperson(s):

Lorraine Colistra Catherine Guthrie
Karen Driscoll Colleen Syrett
Donna Fitzgerald Holly Toteno

Amy Prabhakaran

School Physician
School Psychologists
Child's Regular Education Teacher
Child's Special Education Teacher

L. BOARD OF EDUCATION RE-ADOPTION OF ALL POLICIES AND CODE OF ETHICS IN EFFECT 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR (Education Law 2503)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item L.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopt the Policies and Code of Ethics as they appear in the Board of Education's E-Policy Manual as of July 1, 2017.

(Board members to sign Code of Ethics 2111-E)

M. CELL PHONE ASSIGNMENTS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item M.

Second: Mr. Mayo

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and in accordance with District Telephones Regulation (8332-R), acknowledge the following positions which have been assigned a cell phone provided through state contract:

Superintendent of Schools Principal School 2 Director of Facilities & Security

Asst. Superintendent for C&I Principal School 14 Asst. to the Director of Facilities

Asst. Superintendent for Business Principal School 16 Director of Technology

Director of Pupil Services Principal School 18 Rtl Coordinator

Asst. Director of Pupil Services Principal Carroll Hill Boilerman (shared phone)

Coordinator of Transportation Principal Troy Middle School Maintenance (3)
Athletic Director Principal Troy High School District Courier
21st Century Program Director Principal ALP LEA Designee

Attendance Officer

N. MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item N.

Second: Ms. Marro-Giroux

Carried: 9-0

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby adopts a mileage reimbursement at <u>rate set by IRS</u> for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

O. ADJOURN RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING

At 6:00 pm Mr. Schofield made a motion to adjourn Re-Organization Meeting and move to Executive Session for pending litigation and 3020-a disciplinary matter. This was seconded by Mr. Mayo and carried 9-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

May But Bruso

Mary Beth Bruno Board Clerk

We Can.
We Will.
End of Story