

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – DECEMBER 22, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Johnson City Central School District, held in the Board Room of the Johnson City High School, 666 Reynolds Road, Johnson City, Broome County, New York was called to order by President Martinez at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 22, 2009.

President Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Upon roll call, Board

Members present: Richard G. Martinez, President  
Shannon M. Edmondson, Vice President  
William F. Walling, District Clerk  
Susan B. Capone, Trustee  
Nicholas J. Matyas, Trustee  
Kimberly A. Michalak, Trustee

Absent: Caryl Ward, Trustee

Also present were: Mary Kay Frys, Superintendent of Schools; Thomas Lally, Assistant Superintendent; John Mauro, School Business Executive; Laurie Visgitus, Director of Student Services and Donna Tokos, Board Clerk.

ROUTINE MATTERS

MIN. 12/8/09 MINUTES: December 8, 2009 - Regular Meeting approved as presented.  
REGULAR MOTION: Trustee Capone SECOND: Trustee Michalak  
MEETING CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SCHEDULE #12A - General Fund – APPROVED FOR PAYMENT  
OF CLAIMS MOTION: Trustee Edmondson SECOND: Trustee Michalak  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
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#8C – School Lunch – APPROVED FOR PAYMENT  
MOTION: Trustee Walling SECOND: Trustee Edmondson  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
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#11F – Special Aid - APPROVED FOR PAYMENT  
MOTION: Trustee Michalak SECOND: Trustee Walling  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
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A. BOARD  
COMMITTEE  
REPORTS  
(Cont'd.)

Instruction/Curriculum Committee – N. Matyas

The committee met and discussed:

- The process by which textbooks are ordered and how the orders are funded
- Copying of instructional materials v. workbooks.
- Dual credit courses/college level courses
- Dance Studio teacher and curriculum

Technology Committee – W. Walling

The committee met and discussed:

- Standards that have been established at the international, National and State levels
- How is equipment being used and are we getting our money's worth? Survey will be put together to gather data on use of equipment (who is using what and for what purpose; do students have computers at home and who has internet access).
- Dual credit course in technology (computer science curriculum)
- Internet cafe

B. LEGAL  
ISSUES

MOTION: Trustee Capone                      SECOND: Trustee Edmondson  
Mr. Mauro reviewed the resolution.

- 403b Plan

WHEREAS, the Johnson City Central School District (the "District"), has previously adopted a 403(b) Retirement Plan pursuant to written agreement (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan is intended to comply with the requirements of § 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to revise the Plan, through the adoption of the following amendment, to conform to the requirements of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Section 2.1 of the Plan is amended, in its entirety, to read as follows:

"2.1 Eligibility

Each Employee shall be eligible to participate in the Plan and elect to have Elective Deferrals made on his or her behalf hereunder immediately upon becoming employed by the Employer."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Plan is hereby restated as amended in its entirety and approved and adopted.

B. LEGAL  
ISSUES  
(Cont'd.)  
  
- 403b Plan  
(Cont'd.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent and other appropriate officers of the District are hereby authorized and directed to execute this amendment and to take such further action and execute such further documents as may be necessary or useful in effectuating this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be effective as of January 1, 2010 with respect to all Employees by the Employer on and after that date.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Ayes: (6) Trustee Martinez, Edmondson, Walling, Capone,  
Matyas, Michalak

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (1) Trustee Ward

Abstain: (0) None

President Martinez declared the resolution adopted.

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C. DISPOSAL  
OF OBSOLETE  
BUSES

MOTION: Trustee Matyas                      SECOND: Trustee Walling  
Mr. Mauro reviewed the resolution.

RESOLVED that the buses #102, 110 and 111, have been determined to be obsolete, unsafe for student transportation and no longer of any value to the District and that the Transportation Director exchange these buses for credit to Leonard Bus Sales in the amount of \$2,800 as per quote #JCTRO944.

and it is further,

RESOLVED, that the School Business Executive and the Superintendent are hereby authorized to execute any documents which may be required to effect the result of this disposal.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Ayes: (6) Trustee Martinez, Edmondson, Walling, Capone,  
Matyas, Michalak

Noes: (0) None

Absent: (1) Trustee Ward

Abstain: (0) None

President Martinez declared the resolution adopted.

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- D. FEBRUARY MEETING DATES      MOTION: Trustee Edmondson      SECOND: Trustee Matyas  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
The Board of Education approved the following meeting dates for February:  
February 9, 2010      Regular Board Meeting  
February 23, 2010      Regular Board Meeting  
February 2 and 16, 2010      Reserved for Work Sessions
- E. PERSONNEL - INSTRUCTIONAL      MOTION: Trustee Matyas      SECOND: Trustee Edmondson  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:  
  
Resignation
- J. O'Donnell      Jacqueline O'Donnell, Principal, High School, effective January 31, 2010  
  
Substitute Appointments
- M. Rattmann      Name:      Marilyn Rattmann  
Tenure Area:      English as a Second Language  
Probationary Appt.:      October 13, 2009  
Expiration Date of Appt.:      December 23, 2009  
Certification:      Uncertified
- J. Thompson      Name:      Jennifer Thompson  
Tenure Area:      Elementary  
Probationary Appt.:      January 19, 2010  
Expiration Date of Appt.:      March 31, 2010  
Certification:      Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) - Initial
- F. PERSONNEL-NONINSTRUCTIONAL      MOTION: Trustee Michalak      SECOND: Trustee Capone  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following:  
  
Appointment
- L. Rossignol      Lisa Rossignol, Teacher Aide, High School, effective January 4, 2010

G. CONFERENCE MOTION: Trustee Edmondson SECOND: Trustee Walling  
 REQUEST CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following conference request:

1/14- NYS Association of School Personnel Admin. T. Lally (Admin.)  
 1/15/10 Annual Conference Planning Session; Rockland  
 BOCES; Nyack, NY

Feb. - Monthly Math Coordinators' Meetings T. D'Arpino (3-5),  
 June 2010 Fayetteville Elementary; Fayetteville, NY M. K. Ryan (K-2)

H. BUILDINGS & MOTION: Trustee Matyas SECOND: Trustee Michalak  
 GROUNDS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
 REQUESTS Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following buildings and grounds requests:

R. Garey – Open Gym for Basketball (M) 1/4/10 – 3/29/10  
 JC E-M MS Gym 9:00-10:00 p.m.

Dollars for Scholars – Phone-a-Thon 1/28, 2/1/10 5:00-9:00 p.m.  
 JCHS Rm. 163 1/31/10 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

JC Rec. Wrestling Club – Tournament 3/12/10 4:00-8:00 p.m.  
 JC E-M Gyms, Locker Room, Lobby, 3/13/10 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
 Classroom, Welcome Center 3/14/10 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

JC Rec. Wrestling Club – Tournament 3/27/10 3:00-9:00 p.m.  
 JC E-M Gyms, Locker Room, 3/28/10 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
 Classroom, Welcome Center, MS Entrance

I. FIELD TRIP MOTION: Trustee Matyas SECOND: Trustee Michalak  
 REQUESTS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approved the following field trip requests:

1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, Greek Peak Mountain Resort K. Riker  
 2/2, 2/9/10 Cortland, NY (MS Ski Club)  
 [alt. dates 2/11, 2/23, 2/25/10]

1/14, 2/8, 3/15, 4/12, Magic Paintbrush Project S. Rosato  
 5/10, 6/14/10 Johnson City, NY (K-2)

2/26/10 Anderson Ctr. @ Bing. Univ. R. Emmons  
 Vestal, NY (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)

- I. FIELD TRIP            3/10/10                            Anderson Ctr. @ Bing. Univ.        R. Emmons  
REQUESTS            [alt. date 3/17/10]            Vestal, NY                            (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)  
(Cont'd.)
- J. BOARD                            The Board discussed the following:  
OPEN                                - 2010-2011 School Calendar - Draft  
DISCUSSION                        - Home Improvement Exemption (NYS RPTL 421-f)  
    - Delays in State Aid Payments  
    - "Race To The Top" (RTTT) - Signing of MOU to participate in  
    competitive grant
- K. VISITORS                        P. Ciganek asked for clarification of several items discussed during the  
meeting: Home improvement exemption; textbook allocation.  
President Martinez answered his questions.
- L. REGULAR                        MOTION: Trustee Michalak                            SECOND: Trustee Walling  
MEETING                                CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
ADJOURNED                            The Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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Donna Tokos  
Board Clerk