



14665 State Route 22
New Lebanon, NY 12125

Regular Meeting
April 27, 2010

The regular meeting was held at the Walter B. Howard Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by Board President Wood at 7:02 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Board Members Wood, Smith, Luhrmann, Lambert, Gavrity, Superintendent McGraw, Leslie Whitcomb, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Daniel Packard, WBH Elementary Principal, Carrie Nyc-Chevrier, Business Administrator and Tamara Thorpe-Odom, Director of Special Education.

ABSENT: Board Members Bingham and Sowalski

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

<p>Curriculum and Instruction <u>Non-Action Item</u> Students from the Walter B. Howard Elementary Drama Club performed Willy Wonka songs from their upcoming performance.</p> <p>Public Comment Mr. Jeff Winestock spoke to the Board regarding safety concerns at Walter B. Howard Elementary school.</p> <p>Ms. Amy Brueckmann stated her concerns about the learning environment at Walter B. Howard Elementary school due to the disrespect in the classroom.</p> <p>Ms. JoAnn Hennig spoke about concerns about an upcoming field trip due to the behavior of a student.</p> <p>Acknowledgments/Administrative Comments Superintendent McGraw notified the Board that the budget newsletter has been mailed to residents. She would like to schedule a meeting with the Facilities Committee to review the five-year plan.</p> <p>Minutes <u>Action Item</u> Board Member Smith made a motion to approve the April 14, 2010 minutes. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 5 ayes, 0 nays.</p> <p>Questar III Vote <u>Action Items</u> Board Member Gavrity made a motion to approve items A-B as a block. Seconded by Board Member Wood. 5 ayes, 0 nays. a. BOCES QUESTAR III Board Members' vote: Four terms are expiring on the Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services. Four incumbents are running to fill these three-</p>	<p>WBH Drama Club Performance</p> <p>Public Comment</p> <p>Acknowledgments/Administrative Comments</p> <p>Minutes</p> <p>Questar III Board Member and Budget Vote</p>
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year terms commencing July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2013. Vote for four candidates.

Rensselaer County

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mr. Robert Gibson, Troy, NY (from the Brunswick Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene-Counties.

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election of Mrs. Carol Orvis, Rensselaer, NY (from the East Greenbush Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene-Counties.

Columbia County

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election Mr. Edmund Brooks, Valatie, NY (from the Ichabod Crane Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Education Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education casts its vote for the election Mr. Donald Kline, Hudson, NY (from the Germantown Central School District), to a term as a member of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Rensselaer-Columbia-Greene Counties.

b. BOCES QUESTAR III budget vote:

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approves the 2010-2011 Tentative Administrative Budget in the amount of \$3,980,195.

Curriculum and Instruction

Non-Action Item

Andrew Eggers, 4th grade student gave a PowerPoint presentation on W.A.L.D.O.

PowerPoint
Presentation on
W.A.L.D.O

Action Item

Board Member Wood made a motion to approve item A. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

a. To approve the following additional chaperone for a Jazz Band field trip to Springfield, Massachusetts for the Great East Festival and Six Flags New England on May 21, 2010:

Michelle Bienes

Michelle Bienes,
Chaperone

Audit Committee Business

Non-Action Item

Raymond Cerrone from Questar III presented a GASB45 report to the Board.

Action Item

Board Member Luhrmann made a motion to approve item A. Seconded by Board Member Wood. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

a. To approve the GASB45 report

GASB45 Report

Superintendent**Non-Action Items**

Superintendent McGraw presented a progress report on her goals.

Dates for summer Board meetings were chosen: July 7, 2010, August 4, 2010 and August 18, 2010.

The Transportation Supervisor position was discussed. The Board requested a copy of a Dispatcher job description. This topic will be discussed again at the May 5 meeting.

Action Items

Board Member Lambert made a motion to approve items A-B as a block. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

- a. To approve participation in a RUS grant.
- b. To approve the use of school district buses at no extra charge except for the cost of fuel and a driver by the New Lebanon Summer Youth Program to the following destinations:

Date	Destination
7/15/10	Skate Factory
7/23/10	Zoom Flume
8/6/10	Great Escape

Financial**Action Items**

Board Member Smith made a motion to approve items A-B as a block. Seconded by Board Member Wood. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

- a. To approve the March, 2010 Treasurer's report.
- b. To approve budget transfers totaling \$7000.00.

Annual Appointments**Action Item**

Board Member Gavrity made a motion to approve item A. Seconded by Board Member Wood. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

- a. To appoint the following as Inspector of Election:

Gretchen O'Connell

Personnel**Action Items**

Board Member Wood made a motion to approve items A-H as a block. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 4 ayes, 1 nay (Lambert).

- a. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint the following coaches for the 2010-2011 school year.

Coach	Sport	Stipend
Clint Garrigan	Girls Modified Soccer	\$1925
Tim Christiansen	Girls Varsity Soccer	\$2300
Maria Sime	Girls Varsity Soccer Volunteer	No stipend
TBD	Boys Modified Soccer	\$1925
Robert Allard	Boys Varsity Soccer	\$2300
Fred Ruhe	Girls Varsity Volleyball	\$2300

- b. To accept the resignation of Mary Kate Willis, K-6 Teacher, effective June 30, 2010.

Superintendent's Goals

Summer BOE Meeting Date

Transportation Supervisor Position

RUS Grant

NL Summer Youth Program Use of Buses

March, 2010 Treasurer's Report

Budget Transfers

Gretchen O'Connell, Inspector of Election

Clint Garrigan, Girls Modified Soccer Coach

Tim Christiansen, Girls Varsity Soccer Coach

Maria Sime, Girls Varsity Soccer Volunteer

Robert Allard, Boys Varsity Soccer Coach

Fred Ruhe, Girls Varsity Volleyball Coach

Mary Kate Willis, Resignation

c. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint the following substitute for the 2009-2010 school year effective April 20, 2010.

Teacher	Rate (per day)
Eileen Ordu (certified)	\$90.00

d. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint the following tutor for the 2009-2010 school year effective April 20, 2010.

Teacher	Rate (per hour)
Eileen Ordu (certified)	\$18.00

e. To accept the resignation of Jennifer Lynch, School Counselor, effective June 30, 2010.

f. To accept the resignation of Eoywn Ciccone, 7-12 English Teacher, effective June 25, 2010.

g. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint Hal Metzler to the position of substitute mechanic at a rate of \$14.11 per hour, as per CSEA contract, effective April 28, 2010.

h. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to create a Network Systems Engineer position based on Civil Service criteria.

Eileen Ordu, Substitute Teacher and Tutor

Jennifer Lynch, Resignation

Hal Metzler, Substitute Mechanic

Network Systems Engineer Position Created

Board Open Discussion

There is a Questar III dinner meeting for Superintendent's and Board Members on May 20. The Board will be meeting in June for a retreat. The three dates proposed to meet are June 9, June 23 and June 30. Board Member Luhrmann asked about a solar energy grant. Superintendent McGraw expressed that the architect was asked to work on this. Board Member Gavrity would like to see a report on the status of ordering uniforms.

Board Open Discussion

Public Comment

None.

Public Comment

Executive Session

Board Member Wood made a motion to enter executive session to discuss employment matters related to a particular person or corporation and collective bargaining at 8:40 p.m. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Executive Session

Clerk Pro-Tem

Board Member Wood made a motion to appoint Superintendent McGraw as Clerk Pro-Tem. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Clerk Pro-Tem

Adjournment

Board Member Wood made a motion to adjourn at 9:34 p.m. Seconded by Board Member Luhrmann. 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
 Krista Giangrossi, Deputy District Clerk