



14665 State Route 22
New Lebanon, NY 12125

Regular Meeting
May 18, 2011

The regular meeting was held at the Walter B. Howard Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by Board President Wood at 7:01 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Board Members Wood, Sowalski, Smith (arrived at 7:28 p.m.), Lambert (arrived at 7:04 p.m.), Gavriity, Kroboth, Bingham, Superintendent McGraw, Leslie Whitcomb, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Matthew Klafehn, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Tamara Thorpe-Odom, Director of Special Education, and Carrie Nyc-Chevrier, Business Administrator.

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

<p>Executive Session Board Member Wood made a motion to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation at 7:02 p.m. Seconded by Board Member Sowalski. 5 ayes, 0 nays.</p>	<p>Executive Session</p>
<p>Return to Open Session The Board returned to open session at 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Return to Open Session</p>
<p>Public Comment None.</p>	<p>Public Comment</p>
<p>Acknowledgments/Administrative Comments Superintendent McGraw notified the Board that the county funded dental van has been at the elementary school this week to provide service to students who don't normally have care or access to a dentist. She thanked the public for supporting the budget.</p>	<p>Acknowledgments/ Administrative Comments</p>
<p>Minutes Action Item Board Member Bingham made a motion to approve items a-b as a block. Seconded by Board Member Wood. 7 ayes, 0 nays. a. Review and approval of the April 26, 2011 minutes. b. Review and approval of the May 4, 2011 minutes.</p>	<p>Minutes</p>
<p>Financial Non-Action Items Raymond Cerrone from Questar III presented a GASB45 report.</p>	<p>GASB45 Report</p>
<p>Action Items Board Member Gavriity made a motion to approve items a-i as a block. Seconded by Board Member Smith. 7 ayes, 0 nays a. To approve the results of the Annual District Meeting, May 17, 2011 as per distributed results.</p>	<p>Annual District Meeting Results</p>

- b. To approve the Walter B. Howard Elementary School Extra-Curricular Accounts dated March 31, 2011 as submitted by Courtney McDonald, Extra-Curricular Accounts Treasurer.
- c. To approve the Jr./Sr. High School Extra-Curricular Accounts dated February 1-28, 2011 as submitted by Eileen Winslow, Extra-Curricular Accounts Treasurer.
- d. To approve a Health Service contract with City School District of Albany for the 2010-2011 school year to provide health services to 4 students attending Albany Academies and Academy of the Holy Names Upper at a rate of \$635.24 per child and to authorize the President of the Board of Education, and the Board Clerk to execute the agreement.
- e. To approve a Health Service contract with East Greenbush Central School District for the 2010-2011 school year to provide health services to 9 students attending Holy Spirit School and Woodland Hill Montessori School at a rate of \$490.57 per child and to authorize the President of the Board of Education, and the Board Clerk to execute the agreement.
- f. To approve the April, 2011 Treasurer's report.
- g. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Lebanon Central School District declares the purchase of a new wheelchair bus as an emergency purchase due to our insurance company declaring Bus #131 a total loss as a result of a bus accident on April 5, 2011.
- h. To increase budget line A5510.210 by \$47,860 and increase the revenue line A2680 by \$47,860 for the purpose of the emergency bus purchase.
- i. To authorize the President of the Board of Education and Superintendent McGraw to sign a MOA with the New Lebanon Teachers Association (NLTA) for the purpose of establishing a new agreement for July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2015.

WBH Extra-Curricular Accounts, 3/31/11

Jr./Sr. High School Extra-Curricular Accounts, 2/28/11

City School District of Albany Health Service Contract

East Greenbush Central School District Health Service Contract

April, 2011 Treasurer's Report

Emergency Bus Purchase

Increased Budget Line

MOA with NLTA

Curriculum and Instruction

Non-Action Items

A Response to Intervention presentation was given by the RTI Team which consists of Tylea Gebbie, School Psychologist, Tracy Kent, Embedded Staff Developer for Literacy and Vicki Count, Speech Therapist.

RTI Presentation

Action Items

Board Member Wood made a motion to approve items a-d as a block with a change to the name of the play in item b from Wonderland to Billy Elliott. Seconded by Board Member Bingham. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

2011-2012 District Calendar

- a. To approve the 2011-2012 district calendar.
- b. To approve a WBH Drama Club field trip to New York City on June 22, 2011 to see Billy Elliot and to appoint the following chaperones:

WBH Drama Club Field Trip & Chaperones

Hillary Watts	Martha Raftery	Becky Vaillancourt
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- c. To review and approve the following revised policy (second reading):

Revised Policy Second Reading

7512	Student Physicals
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- d. To approve CSE/CPSE recommendations of programs and placements for the following special education students:

CSE/CPSE Programs and Placements

090220000	000000676	000004111	000002231	000002452	000082898	000000033
000000319	092100043	092100126	000002116	000012296	000002411	000002075

Personnel

Action Items

Board Member Sowalski made a motion to approve items a-g as a block. Seconded by Board Wood. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Cecilia West, Retirement

- a. To accept the resignation of Cecilia West, for purpose of retirement, effective June 24, 2011.
- b. To accept the resignation of Courtney McDonald, Clerk Typist, effective May 24, 2011.

Courtney McDonald, Resignation

- c. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint the following coaches for the 2011-2012 school year.

Coach	Sport	Stipend
Maria Sime	Girls Varsity Soccer	\$2500
Dan Evans	Boys Varsity Soccer	\$2500
Clint Garrigan	Girls Modified Soccer	\$2100
Kara Siciliano	Boys Modified Soccer	\$2100
Fred Ruhe	Girls Varsity Volleyball	\$2500

- d. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint Shannon Ames to the position of bus cleaner, at a rate of \$10.35 per hour, not to exceed 90 hours, effective May 9, 2011 and concluding June 30, 2011.
- e. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint Candace McCarty to the position of substitute cleaner at a rate of \$10.35 per hour, effective May 19, 2011.
- f. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint Dawn Felter to the position of substitute bus dispatcher at a rate of \$14.28 per hour, effective May 12, 2011.
- g. Upon the recommendation of Superintendent McGraw, to appoint Carrie Nyc-Chevrier as interim Walter B. Howard Elementary School Extra-Curricular Accounts Treasurer, effective May 24, 2011.

Superintendent Non-Action Items

Superintendent McGraw discussed shared services and/or merger with area schools. Chatham CSD is interested in sharing services with New Lebanon. The Board is interested in pursuing this idea.

Superintendent McGraw shared an Information Technology progress report written by Michael Gleason, Network Systems Engineer.

Action Item

The Board tabled item a. It will be revisited at the June 15, 2011 meeting.

Committee Meetings

A Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for May 31, 2011 at 6:30 p.m., in the Superintendent's Conference room. There will be a Policy Committee meeting on June 15, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Board Open Discussion

Board Member Sowalski congratulated Christine Sotek, who was in the audience, on winning a Board of Education seat.

Public Comment

Nancy Clement spoke in support of making the Union Free School into a town hall.

Mike Brustch spoke in favor of tearing down the Union Free School building. He stated that the people are the history, not the building itself.

Debbie Gordon stated that the town and the school have to work together.

Liz Kroboth stated that she thinks the students in Physical Education are the security issue and thinks that the Union Free Building should come down.

**Maria Sime, Girls
Varsity Soccer**

**Dan Evans, Boys
Varsity Soccer**

**Clint Garrigan,
Girls Modified
Soccer**

**Kara Siciliano, Boys
Modified Soccer**

**Fred Ruhe, Girls
Varsity Volleyball**

**Shannon Ames, Bus
Cleaner**

**Candace McCarty,
Substitute Cleaner**

**Dawn Felter,
Substitute Bus
Dispatcher**

**Carrie Nyc-
Chevrier, Interim
WBH Extra-
Curricular
Treasurer**

Tabled item a

Committee Meetings

**Board Open
Discussion**

Public Comment

Dawn Brustch discussed potential security issues and parking lot security.
Meg Roberston stated that she was sorry for creating an “environment of fear” and doesn’t want the town hall to put children at risk.

Executive Session

Board Member Wood made a motion to enter executive session to discuss employment matters related to a particular person or corporation at 9:07 p.m. Seconded by Board Member Sowalski. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Clerk Pro-Tem

Board Member Sowalski made a motion to appoint Superintendent McGraw as Clerk Pro-Tem. Seconded by Board Member Wood. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Adjournment

Board Member Wood made a motion to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Seconded by Board Member Kroboth. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,
Krista Giangrossi, Deputy District Clerk

Executive Session

Clerk Pro-Tem

Adjournment