

Board of Education Minutes May 20, 2013

The regular meeting of the Members of the Board of Education of the Goshen Central School District, Orange County, New York, was held in the Board of Education Room at the Main Street School on Monday, May 20, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Present	Mr. James Kimiecik, President Mr. Adam Boese, Vice President Mrs. Martha Bogart Mr. Tom Frederick Mrs. Judy Green
Absent	Mr. Matthew Corrigan Mr. George Jung

Superintendent of Schools	Mr. Daniel T. Connor
Assistant Superintendent for Business	Mr. Robert Miller
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, Personnel & Technology	Dr. Frank Sheboy
Principals:	Mr. Kurtis Kotes, Mr. Jason Carter and Ms. Amy Peluso
Assistant Principals:	Mrs. Patricia Lercara, Mr. John Piscitella
Director of Buildings & Grounds	Mr. Jim Riley
Interim Assistant Principal/Athletic Director	Mr. Tom Heinzelman
Director of PPS	Mrs. Deirdre Hallinan
CSE Chairperson	Mrs. Marlene Gaynor
Director of Transportation	Mrs. Donna Post
Network Administrator	Absent
Student Senate Representative	Joan Climes
Members of the Faculty, Press and Citizens of the District	

The regular meeting was called to order by President, Mr. James Kimiecik. Mr. Kimiecik led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent meditation remembering the family of Alice and Don Spoor, Chrissy Pahucki on the loss of Alice's father and Chrissy's grandfather and Matt Corrigan on the loss of his sister-in-law.

The board received the following correspondence: Correspondence to Goshen Public Library and Historical Society regarding TAN request; Goshen High School Spring Concert 2013 program; 5th Grade Spring Concert program; CJH Band Spring Concert program; High School Festival of the Arts; and various newspaper articles.

Mr. Kimiecik opened Privilege of the Floor.

Mr. Kimiecik mentioned a recent article in the Times Herald Record relating to pensions in New York State. The New York State program is being built back up due to the Stock Market, however, districts are not expected to see relief on mandated pension amounts they pay.

There was no Legislative Update.

Mr. Connor asked Amy Peluso to report on the Kindergarten Festival. The event was a wonderful Festival highlighting the achievements of the students since entering school. A wonderful tribute to Kindergarten, special area teachers and teacher aides. Ms. Peluso thanked the High School Administration and Donna Post for their help and Martha Bogart and Matt Corrigan for attending.

Mr. Connor highlighted the Middle School Concerts in absence of Mr. Rolon.

Mr. Kotes highlighted the fabulous job of High School string students and music teachers on this year's concert. Mr. Kotes provided a brief history of the Music Department stating that five years ago there were only 10 students in the Strings Program and today the High School has a full Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Connor reported the District will have an earlier dismissal on June 20 and June 21. On June 20, lunch will be served to K-8 students with dismissal beginning at 12:00 for CJH and 1:00 for GIS and SAS. Dismissal on June 21 will begin at 10:00 for CJH and 11:00 for GIS and SAS. This change in scheduling will not jeopardize attendance.

The CSEA 10/11 Month Employee Picnic will take place on June 21 at the High School beginning at noon.

Celebration for Music, a fundraiser for Lori and Joe Fedor, will take place on June 8 at the High School.

Mr. Connor reminded the board of the August 24 Goals and Objective Workshop. Mr. Connor reported he and Dr. Sheboy had a preliminary meeting with Terry Reynolds and Mary Ann Wilson to begin the process.

Mr. Connor reported the Chamber of Commerce's May Breakfast meeting recognized and honored our Jr. Science Olympiad Team and Odyssey of the Mind Team. James Kimiecik and Adam Boese attended, along with Assemblyman James Skoufus, Mayor Kyle Roddey and Supervisor Doug Bloomfield. The Chamber provided certificates to all students.

The Senior Leo Club members were recognized by the Chamber of Commerce and also presented with certificates.

The Middle School Leo Club and School Student Government Club members, held a Senior Citizen Social at the Middle School on May 17. Student artwork was displayed along with performances by the Middle School Orchestra and Chorus.

Mr. Connor mentioned Mayor Kyle Roddey has met with administrators to involve schools in a community event to take place in November. More information will be forthcoming.

Mrs. Green reported the Goshen Rotary held the "Taste of Goshen" event over the weekend with members of the Interact Club assisting.

Festival of the Arts will be held at the High School on Wednesday evening, May 22.

Mr. Carter highlighted the wonderful performance by grade 5 Orchestra and Chorus members. The 5th Grade Jazz Band and 4th & 5th Grade Chorus will perform on Thursday, May 23 and the Grade 4 Band and Orchestra will perform on May 30.

Mr. Miller reported members of Nugent and Haeussler, external auditors, will be in District in June to begin preliminary work on the 2012/2013 end of year audit.

Dr. Sheboy reported the final meeting with the District's 17 new Interns and their Mentors was held. Dr. Sheboy will be meeting with two GTA members to see their vision and plan for professional development and the Mentor program.

Dr. Sheboy is currently working with the AIS Committee taking a thorough look at the AIS Plan to be presented to the Board in June.

Dr. Sheboy was pleased to report the District's APPR revisions have been made and submitted to SED. The next step is to hear back from SED.

On a motion by Judy Green and seconded by Tom Frederick upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda as presented. AYES 5 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Approve extended medical Leave: Michael Morrison custodial worker is requesting to extend his medical leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective May 24, 2013 through approximately July 7, 2013.

Approve medical leave of Stephanie Noha grade 8 ELA teacher is requesting a medical leave effective May 3, 2013 through May 17, 2013.

Approve medical leave of Christina Pahucki art teacher is requesting a medical leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective May 17, 2013 through June 21, 2013.

Approve child care leave of Kristen Altieri grade 4 teacher is requesting child care leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective September 3, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Approve child care leave of Jennifer Forgione Cestare elementary teacher is requesting a child care leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective September 3, 2013 through approximately December 20, 2013.

Approve extended medical leave of Annette Penny teacher aide is requesting to extend her medical leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, from May 14, 2013 through June 21, 2013.

Approve medical leave of Candice Shera elementary teacher is requesting a medical leave under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective April 26, 2013 through June 21, 2013.

Approve leave of absence of Sandra Clendenny bus driver is requesting a leave of absence effective April 3, 2013 through April 23, 2013; and an unpaid leave of absence effective April 24, 2013 through May 3, 2013; and an unpaid leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act, if eligible, effective May 6, 2013 through June 21, 2013.

Approve appointment of Gabriela Badea teacher aide at a salary of \$11.74/hr. (pending CSEA negotiations) for 5½ hours per day, effective May 21, 2013. Ms. Badea is replacing Danielle D'Alessio.

Approve appointment of William Ruggles Driver's Education teacher at a salary of \$20.00 per student per classroom instruction session effective July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. Each session consists of 24 hours of in classroom instruction. Mr. Ruggles has Permanent Business & Distributive Education certification.

Approve appointment of Matthew Esses substitute teacher at a salary of \$85/diem effective May 21, 2013. Mr. Esses has Initial Physical Education certification.

Approve appointment of Stephen Joyce tutor at a salary of \$32.35/hr., as needed, effective May 21, 2013. This is a yearly appointment.

Approve Disposal of Obsolete Equipment

CSE/CPSE

Committee on Preschool Special Ed 05/14/13;118461;Classified Preschool
05/02/13;117938/Classified Preschool

Section 504 04/05/13;116460/GIS/Classified

Committee on Special Education 04/23/13;112425/CJH/Classified

Subcommittee on Special Education 03/19/13;111353/GHS/Classified

04/03/13;115349/GIS/Classified

Committee on Special Education 04/05/13;114252/CJH/Ineligible

Subcommittee on Special Education 02/19/13;114657/GHS/Classified

Committee on Special Education 03/06/13;118805/OCJ/Classified

Subcommittee on Special Education 03/12/13;114551/GIS/Classified

03/13/13;118249/GIS/Classified

03/18/13;113233/GHS/Classified

04/02/13;117484/BOCES/Classified

03/13/13;114753/GIS/Classified

04/02/13;114752/CJH/Classified

Committee on Special Education 02/19/13;114533/GHS/Classified

03/19/13;112425/GHS/Classified

Subcommittee on Special Education 03/19/13;112631/GHS/Classified

03/05/13;117560/BOCES/Classified

03/19/13;112629/GHS/Classified

04/04/13;115024/CJH/Classified

03/22/13;116760/CJH/Classified

03/13/13;115230/GIS/Classified

02/20/13;112527/GHS/Classified

04/02/13;114656/CJH/Classified

03/18/13;115333/CJH/Classified

03/21/13;113687/GHS/Classified

03/22/13;111139/Classified/PP Outside

District 02/26/13;114996/GHS/Classified

04/03/13;113593/CJH/Classified

03/22/13;113741/GHS/Classified

04/08/13;112680/CJH/Classified

03/18/13;117140/CJH/Classified

03/18/13;112739/GHS/Classified

02/19/13;113404/GHS/Classified

02/27/13;112368/GHS/Classified

Committee on Special Education 03/20/13;113774/GHS/Classified

03/11/13;113099/BOCES/Classified

Subcommittee on Special Education 02/26/13;112638/GHS/Classified

03/19/13;113527/GHS/Classified

Committee on Special Education 02/28/13;111622/GHS/Classified

Denise Billings joined the board to present the proposed Cafeteria Budget for 2013/2014. The Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 has a State compliance with lunch menus and mandatory lunch prices. Lunch prices have not been increased for 2 years. This year based on the calculated formula lunch prices must be increased. The 2013/2014 school year requires a 5¢ mandatory increase or an optional increase of 10¢. If the District selects the optional increase, prices would not need to increase for the 2014/2015 school year. The Federal regulations also mandate the lunch menu and choice offerings on the menu. Mrs. Billings reported there has been a decrease in lunches served. Mrs. Billings has slowly removed items previously sold to students to conform with Federal and State requirements. Mrs. Billings provided a report on Fund Balance listing only 3 months of expenses are the legal amount allowed in a Cafeteria Fund Balance. The board had additional questions from Mrs. Billings and will further discuss this item at the next board meeting.

On a motion by Adam Boese and seconded by Tom Frederick, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Goshen Central School District 403b Retirement Plan Document be amended to include Ameritas Life of NY, on the list of service providers under the plan. AYES 5 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Judy Green and seconded by Tom Frederick WHEREAS, the Board of Education has previously requested proposals for Driver Education Services and awarded a contract for such services to Decat Driving School, Inc.; and WHEREAS such RFP has a provision to allow for the renewal of said contract for additional one year terms; and whereas the district desires to renew said contract, BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the contract for a Driver Education Program with DECAT Driving School, Inc. for the period July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014, at the rate of \$375.00 per student enrolled, for the purpose of conducting the in-car section of the driver education program. AYES 5 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

On a motion by Judy Green and seconded by Adam Boese, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the payment of tax certiorari judgment awarded to Jewish Lubavitch, Town of Goshen (SBL 122-1-2.1, 122-1-2.2 & 122-1-2.4) for the 2011/2012 school year as per court order entered in the Office of the Clerk of Orange County Supreme Court April 11, 2013 in the amount of \$5,663.79, \$4,247.84 and \$19,495.01 for a total of \$29,406.64 plus \$169.91, \$127.44 & \$584.85 in interest due to the County as these taxes were not paid by the taxpayer but paid to the Goshen Central School by the County for a total of \$30,288.84.. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in order to fund said tax certiorari judgment that budgetary appropriations for the 2012/2013 school year be increased by \$30,288.84 (A1964.4051) and that the \$30,288.84 be transferred to the General Fund Budget from the Tax Certiorari Reserve as the offsetting source of revenue.

Mr. Kimiecik asked for a motion to withdraw the Increase Lunch Prices for 2013/14 School Year Section 205 of the Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 resolution until further information is obtained from Denise Billings. Motion by Judy Green and seconded by Martha Bogart. AYES 5 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mr. Kimiecik opened the second Privilege of the Floor.

The board reminded public in attendance budget vote and board member election will take place tomorrow, May 21, 2013 from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Martha Bogart asked if legal counsel could provide a summary of aspects of the Affordable Care Act implications.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m. on a motion by Judy Green and seconded by Tom Frederick to enter into Executive Session with no intent to return for the purpose of employment history of particular employees. AYES 5 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Mr. Kimiecik thanked everyone for attending.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia B. Brown
District Clerk