

*Watervliet City School District*  
*Watervliet, New York*

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Minutes**

**DATE:** *AUGUST 31, 2009*

**TYPE OF MEETING:** Regular Meeting

**MEETING OPENED:** 7:00 P.M.

**WHERE:** Watervliet Jr.-Sr. High School

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** President, Mark W. Scully  
Vice President, Christine Chartrand  
Jennifer Donovan  
Frank McGrouty  
Virginia Mullaney

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Paul J. Padalino

**STUDENT COUNCIL REP:** Kevin Angus

The meeting was opened at 7:00 P.M., with President Mark W. Scully officiating.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

There were no comments from the floor.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business to be discussed.

**BOARD STAFF AND STUDENT REPORTS**

**Bruce Wiggins**, from **CSArch**, gave an **update** on the school district renovation project.

**Superintendent Padalino** presented the Board with hi-lights from his **State of the District Report**.

The **first reading** of the **revised Extracurricular Activity Eligibility Policy and Standards Policy** was held.

**ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the Board of Education Minutes for the meetings held **July 21, 2009** and **August 20, 2009**, submitted by Bernadette L. Boardman, Clerk of the Board, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Committee on Special Education's** recommendations for the meetings held **July 27, 2009** and **August 5, 2009**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CPSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Committee on Pre-School Special Education's** recommendations for the meetings held **July 15, 2009** and **August 19, 2009**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CPSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Treasurer's Reports** for the month of **July, 2009**, submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **2009/10 Tax Warrant** submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **payment requests**, submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Bid Results**, submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent. **\$16,724.50** – RIS Paper, **Duplicating Paper**; **\$13,295.00** – Aluminum Athletic, **Football and Soccer Goal Posts**; and **\$307,620.00** – MCW, Inc., **Custodial and Cleaning Services**.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **rate increase** for **Substitute Teachers** from \$85.00 per day to \$95.00 per day, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Substitute Registry** submitted by **BOCES**, as recommended by the Superintendent (packets #1 and #2).

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **personal leave** request for **Morgan Anne Myatt**, effective September 9, 2009 through June 25, 2010, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **resignation** of **Jennifer Jeanette** from the position of **Speech Language Pathologist** at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, effective July 27, 2009, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Ashleigh Rozell** to the position of **Science Teacher, Grade 7**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at a Step II salary of \$36,581, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Megan Cahill** to the position of **English Language Arts Teacher, Grade 11**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at a Step V salary of \$38,900, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Jhael Dragon** to the position of **Math Teacher, Grades 9-12**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at a Step IV salary of \$38,101, plus master's degree and credit hours, as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Nicholas Yatrikis** to the position of **Long-Term Substitute Math Teacher, Grades 9-12**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, effective September 8, 2009 through October 7, 2009, at a per diem salary of \$170.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Michael Michela** to the position of **Teaching Assistant, Grades 7-12**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.75, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Michele Schoonmaker** to the position of **Teaching Assistant, Grades 7-12**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.25, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Scott O'Reilly** to the position of **Teaching Assistant, Grades 7-12**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.25, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Adrienne Campbell** to the position of **Teaching Assistant, Grades 7-12**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.75, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Jessica Whited** to the position of **Teaching Assistant, Grades K-6**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.75, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Louise Coulombe** to the position of **Teacher Aid**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for a probationary period beginning September 8, 2009 and ending September 8, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.25, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Tina Spenard** to the position of **Cafeteria Monitor**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, for a probationary period beginning September 1, 2009 and ending September 1, 2012, at an hourly rate of \$7.25, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Joan Finn** to the temporary position of **Cafeteria Worker**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, effective September 1, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$7.25, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment** of **Rita DeChiaro** to the temporary position of **Cafeteria Worker**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, effective September 1, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$7.25, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointments** of the following for the **2009/2010** school year, as recommended by the Superintendent:

**Class Advisors:**

2010: Jessica Pedone and Megan Thouin  
2011: Jackie Chiera and Erin Manning  
2012: Donna Belokopitsky and Cameila Sofrone  
2013: Marcie Wilson and Roni Updyke

**Department Chairs:**

English: Beth Bonville  
Business: Dan Lindemann  
Fine Arts: Joseph Bonville  
Foreign Language: Steven Leggiero  
Math: Yuriy Berin  
Physical Education: Cheryl Hotaling  
Science: Frank Parisi  
Social Studies: Bryan Satterlee  
Special Education: Kathy Bisceglia

**After School Study Tables:**

Jr. High: Kerry Degnan  
High School: Theresa Buchanan  
Detention Monitor: Joe Cea  
Computer Coordinator: Dan Lindemann

**Watervliet Jr. – Sr. Club/Class Advisors:**

Art Club: Beverly Lavick  
Chess Club: Frank Parisi  
Delta Force: Terry Bradway  
Drama Club: Dawn Sylvester  
Environmental club: Michael Echt  
Health Coordinator: Dennis Robinson  
Homemakers of America: Bill Gallagher  
Jazz Ensemble: Joe Bonville  
Jr. High Student Council: Kerry Degnan  
Marching Band: Terry Bradway  
Master Minds: Yuriy Berin  
National Jr. Honor Society: Joe Dievendorf  
National Honor Society: Scott Burke  
Newspaper: Mark Snyder  
Photography Club: Yuriy Berin  
Russian Club: Stephen Leggiero  
SHOW/SADD: Dennis Robinson  
Ski Club: Frank Parisi  
Spanish Club: Lindsay DiSalvo  
Student Council (HS): Scott Burke  
Yearbook Advisor: Janeen Schoonmaker  
Yearbook Business Manager: Donna Belokopitsky  
Varsity Club Advisor: Pete Strand

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **appointment Jeremy Eveleth** to the position of **Modified Football Coach** for the 2009 – 2010 school year, at a rate as per contract, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **home schooling** request of Ms. Holly S. Larson for her sons, Erik Larson, Grade 12, and Anders Larson, Grade 10, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **home schooling** request of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph VanLeuven for their daughters, Yvonne VanLeuven, Grade 8, Danielle VanLeuven, Grade 6, and Charlene VanLeuven, Grade 5, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **home schooling** request of Terri A. Christian for her daughter, Stephanie Christian, Grade 9, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **home schooling** request of Matthew and Deborah Tremblay for their sons, Jeremiah Tremblay, Grade 10, Daniel Tremblay, Grade 8, and Jacob Tremblay, Grade 6, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **home schooling** request of Mr. Donald Rubino for his son, Joseph Rubino, Grade 12, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **excision** of six **broken lunch tables** at the Watervliet Elementary School, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **excision** of two **broken typewriters** at the Watervliet Elementary School, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **purchase** of 22 copies each of the following textbooks, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Nanotechnology: Science on the Edge by Diane Maddox, \$24.95  
Science Frontiers: Micro Machines by David Jefferis, \$19.95

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Professional Development Proposal** to integrate technology into the curriculum for grades **5-8**, at a total cost of \$19,504.35, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the proposed **Instruction Contract for 2009 - 2010** between the North Colonie School District and the Watervliet City School District, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **2009/2010 Athletic Handbook**, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved 10 summer days** for **Michelle Rosario** to photocopy correspondence and check and deliver classroom supplies at **Watervliet Elementary School**, at an hourly rate of \$7.92, as recommended by the Superintendent.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mr. Scully thanked** the Board and the Superintendent for electing him as **President** of the Board of Education.

**Superintendent Padalino** shared the **2009 – 2010 Differentiated Accountability Status Report** with the Board.

**Mr. Scully** congratulated Mr. Padalino on the findings in the **2009 – 2010 Differentiated Accountability Status Report**.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

There were no comments from the floor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Jennifer Donovan, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **adjourned** the meeting at 7:49 P.M.

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Bernadette L. Boardman  
Clerk of the Board*

***NOTE: All district appointments are subject to fingerprint clearance by the NYS Education Department and verification of Permanent or Pending Certification by NYS.***