

Watervliet City School District
Watervliet, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

DATE: *SEPTEMBER 15, 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

Mr. Tony Andreola – 43 High Street, Green Island, NY 12183 – inquired about posting signs at the Watervliet Elementary School to **recruit** for the **Boy Scouts of America**.

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.

Mrs. Janelle Yanni presented the Watervliet City School District **Plan for Special Education**.

Ms. Kirsten DeMento presented a **Review of Summer Academies**.

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

ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Jennifer Donovan and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the Board of Education Minutes for the meeting held **August 31, 2009**, submitted by Bernadette L. Boardman, Clerk of the Board, as recommended by the Superintendent.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Jennifer Donovan and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Committee on Special Education's** recommendations for the meetings held **August 26, 2009** and **September 1, 2009**, submitted by Janelle Yanni, CPSE Chair, as recommended by the Superintendent.

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

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Jennifer Donovan 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 Jennifer Donovan and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Bid Results**, submitted by John Heid, Business Manager, as recommended by the Superintendent. **\$12,290.00** – Allied Waste Services, **Waste Collection Services**.

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Jennifer Donovan and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **Substitute Registry** submitted by **BOCES**, as recommended by the Superintendent (packet #3).

On a motion by Frank McGrouty, seconded by Virginia Mullaney and unanimously accepted, the Board **approved** the **medical leave** request for **Robert Assini** from his position as English Language Arts Teacher, Grade 10, effective September 8, 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 **Kristin Donahue** to the position of **Speech Therapist**, at the **Watervliet Elementary 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 **Marissa Ebli** to the position of **Long-Term Substitute English Language Arts Teacher, Grade 10**, at the **Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School**, beginning September 8, 2009, at a daily rate 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 **Nikki Kalteux** 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 **Tina Spenard** to the position of **Substitute Library Aide**, at the **Watervliet Elementary School**, beginning September 9, 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 proposed **Banner Design and Structure** for the **Athletic Department** of 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 Watervliet City School District **Plan for Special Education**, as recommended by the Superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to be discussed.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Miss Lori Caplan, Jr. – Sr. High School Principal, **thanked** staff and students for a **great start** to the **school year**, noting that it was incident-free.

Miss Caplan noted that **October 1** is **Meet the Teacher Night** at the Dome from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Theresa O'Brien, Elementary School Principal, **thanked** her staff and students for a **great start** to the **school year**.

Mrs. O'Brien noted that Wednesday and Thursday, **September 16 and 17**, are **Meet the Teacher Nights** at the Elementary School. She encouraged families to tour the building.

Mr. Pete Strand noted that **September 24** is the **Welcome Back Gathering** for District Employees. It is a family event that will be held at the Crossings from 3:15 p.m. to dusk.

Kevin Angus, Student Council Representative, noted that **September 24** is **picture day**.

Mr. Angus also noted that this week is nomination week for **Student Council** positions; the week of September 21 is campaign week; and the election will be held September 29.

Mr. Angus questioned when the **blinds** will be **installed** in Mr. Burke's classroom.

Superintendent Padalino informed Mr. Angus that the installers failed to show on several occasions, but they have promised to show on September 16 at 2:30.

Mr. Mark Scully noted that there will be a **Watervliet City School District Construction Impact Meeting** at the Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School at 6:30 p.m. on **September 29**.

Mr. Frank McGrouty noted that there will be a **blood drive** on **September 23** in the small gym of the Watervliet Jr. – Sr. High School.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Virginia Mullaney, seconded by Christine Chartrand and unanimously accepted, the Board **adjourned** the meeting at 7:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*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.