

SOUTH SENECA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 11, 2012

Type of Meeting: Regular

Location: Elementary Auditorium, Interlaken

Members Present: Mike DiPerna, David Terry, Kurt Minges, Carl Pell, Betsy Dreyer, Roger Clemenson

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Janie Nusser, Naomi Zuckerman, Shelley Reynolds, Margarete Couture, Steve Zielinski, Cathy Flanders, Sue Lynch, Jim Drew, staff members, members of the public and press

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I. Meeting called to order: @ 7:31 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Resolution #1      Motion by David Terry seconded by Carl Pell  
Approve Agenda      RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education approve the agenda.  
Motion Carried 7-0

IV. Resolution #2      Motion by Betsy Dreyer seconded by Roger Clemenson  
Approve Minutes      RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the  
**December 7, 2011** Regular Board Meeting.  
Motion Carried 7-0

V. a) Resolution #3      Motion by Betsy Dreyer seconded by Kurt Minges  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education of South Seneca CSD  
approve all warrants in association with the Internal Claim Auditor  
Report dated  
Motion Carried 7-0

b) Resolution #4      Motion by David Terry seconded by Betsy Dreyer  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education of South Seneca CSD  
approve the November Treasurer's Report  
Motion Carried 7-0

VI. Public Comments: *Larry Yalle wished the Board a happy new year and encouraged them to keep up the good work*

VII. Presentations: – *Business Administrator Naomi Zuckerman started the budget presentation by going over the 4-year budget forecast.*

*Naomi presented information on the current transportation system versus a single run system. The Board would like to see more solid budget figures and also feedback from other districts who have changed to a single run.*

*Naomi presented the 2012-13 proposed budgets for computer technology and transportation.*

*Athletic Director Christa Butterer presented information on the current athletic program costs per athlete for each sports. Christa listed her recommendations for cuts in the athletic program for the 2012-13 school year. Christa along with Janie, Carl Pell, Roger Clemenson and Betsy Dreyer attended a meeting with Romulus board members, Athletic Director and Superintendent to discuss merging sport for 2012-13 and baseball for the upcoming spring season. A lot of discussion and ideas went into the meeting, much more discussion is needed before recommendations can be made. Information on savings to the district and logistics in regards to merging will be in the January 25 packet. Ultimately the Board would like both Athletic Director's to come to the Boards with models that the saves the most money.*

#### VIII. RECEIVING REPORTS

- a) Superintendent Report: *Superintendent Nusser told the Board she would be going over proposed staff cuts at the February 8 board meeting, and will have met with all effected staff before that. Ms. Nusser announced that Special Education department received a 95% satisfaction rate from a recent parent survey that was conducted. Janie announced that the all-county music festival will be held at our district next year, which will show off our beautiful facilities as well as bring money to local businesses.*
- b) Administrative Reports: *None*
- c) Board Member Reports: *Roger Clemenson reported on the T-S-T Executive meeting, he said a presentation from Trumansburg schools was give on mobile learning devices. Mike DiPerna reported on upcoming Four County School Board meetings and workshops that he will be attended encouraged other members to attend if possible. Mike also reported that the Board has heard from Romulus School indicating they are interested in engaging in a merger study with our District.*



d) Resolution #8  
Appoint Musical  
Production Staff

Motion by David Terry seconded by Betsy Dreyer  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education appoints the following  
Special Production Musical Staff for the 2012 Spring Musical:

Mark Sinkiewicz	Musical Director	\$1929.00
Chad Eastman	Musical Choreographer	\$772.00
Kyla Quinn	Musical Vocal Director	\$1157.00
Marcia Klue	Accompanist	\$772.00
Gary Hunt	Technical Director	\$772.00

Motion Carried 7-0

e) Resolution #9  
Transfer PC  
Specialist

Motion by David Terry seconded by Ken Sweet  
RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Support  
Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve  
the transfer of function of the PC Support Specialist to the  
Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES effective 1/23/2012.  
Motion Carried 7-0

c) Resolution  
Approve  
Resignation

Motion by David Terry seconded by Kurt Minges  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education approve the resignation of S.  
William Ritchie from the position of bus driver effective  
December 30, 2011.  
Motion Carried 7-0

OTHER:

a) Resolution #10  
Approve CSE  
Recommendations

Motion by Betsy Dreyer seconded by Roger Clemenson  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education approve the CSE  
Recommendations.  
Motion Carried 7-0

b) Resolution #11  
Revised Foreign  
Travel Request

Motion by Ken Sweet seconded by Betsy Dreyer  
Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of  
Schools, that the Board of Education approve the revised foreign  
travel request for the Yorkers Club to travel to Italy on April 3-13,  
2012, which includes four school days.  
Motion Carried 7-0

- c) Resolution #12  
Field Trip  
Travel Request
- Motion by Roger Clemenson seconded by Ken Sweet  
Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Distance Learning students and chaperone to travel to New York City February 8 through February 10, 2012.  
Motion Carried 7-0
- d) Resolution #13  
Approve Merger  
Study
- Motion by David Terry seconded by Ken Sweet  
Whereas, the Board of Education is interested in participating in a merger study with the Romulus Central School District; and
- Whereas, the Board of Education is interested in partnering with the Romulus Central School District to develop and submit a New York State Local Government Efficiency Grant to fund a reorganization study; and
- Whereas, the Board of Education hereby designates Romulus Superintendent Michael Hoose to be the Lead Applicant Contact Person for the grant, to partner with South Seneca Superintendent Janie Nusser to submit a grant application in the amount of \$45,000 for 2011-2012, and to execute all financial and/or administrative processes relating to the grant program; and
- Whereas, the Board of Education is prepared to support the grant with a local share of \$4,500, to be shared equally between the districts;
- Now therefore be it resolved, that the South Seneca Board of Education hereby approves participation in a reorganization study by centralization with the Romulus Central School District and the submission of a New York State Local Government Efficiency Grant to fund the reorganization study.  
Motion Carried 7-0
- e) Resolution #14  
Approve  
Consulting Firm
- Motion by Betsy Dreyer seconded by Carl Pell  
WHEREAS, the Board of Education is desirous of retaining a consulting firm to facilitate a reorganization study by centralization with the Romulus School District; and
- WHEREAS, the Board is desirous of entering into a consulting relationship with the consulting firm of Castallo & Silky; and
- WHEREAS, Castallo & Silky specializes in providing organizational and management consultant service, specifically including reorganization studies, to school districts;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Seneca Board of Education hereby authorizes the signing of a contract with the consulting firm of Castallo & Silky for the purpose of facilitating a reorganization study with the Romulus Central School District.

Motion Carried 7-0

f) Resolution #15  
Approve  
Policy #5661

Motion by David Terry seconded by Betsy Dreyer  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve revised District Wellness Policy #5661  
Motion Carried 7-0

g) Resolution #16  
Approve  
Policy #7132

Motion by Ken Sweet seconded by Carl Pell  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve revised Admission of Non-Resident Students Policy #7132  
Motion Carried 7-0

h) Resolution #17  
Approve  
Policy #7530

Motion by David Terry seconded by Roger Clemenson  
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve revised Child Abuse Policy #7530  
Motion Carried 7-0

X. Public Comments (*on any items*) ***Mary Church commented that she has been to three public meetings in the past couple weeks and at each of those meetings she heard positive feedback in regards to the great opportunities for our students through the learning distance program.***

XI. Materials for Distribution and Calendar Announcements

Resolution #17  
Executive Session

Motion by Roger Clemenson seconded by David Terry  
that the Board of Education enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel relating to a specific personnel matter and a student issue related to a specific student @ 9:10 p.m.  
Motion Carried 7-0

XII. Resolution #19  
Adjournment

Motion by Roger Clermsonson seconded by David Terry  
that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting @ 10:10 p.m.  
Motion Carried 7-0

Respectfully Submitted,

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