

MINUTES
RYE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Rye Middle School Multipurpose Room
January 24, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Slack at 7:00 p.m. and the roll was called:

Present:

Ms. Laura Slack, President
Mr. Raymond Schmitt, Vice President
Mr. Joshua Nathan
Ms. Kendall Egan
Mr. Edward Fox
Ms. Katy Glassberg
Ms. Karen Belanger

Dr. Edward Shine, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Mary Anne Evangelist, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Ms. Kathleen Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Ms. Elaine Cuglietto, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Ms. Slack called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. She welcomed those community members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Shine commended high school students Molly Jordan and Alexander Mun on their selection as United States Presidential Scholars candidates. He noted that the United States Presidential Scholars Program recognizes some of the nation's most distinguished graduating seniors, and Scholars are selected based on their accomplishments in a variety of areas and demonstration of excellence in education.

Hearing of the Public on Non Agenda Items

Mr. Julian Wise addressed the Board regarding the client he represents who is interested in donating \$1.7 million dollars to the school district representing approximately 50% of the cost of building a field house and the upper field renovation. Mr. Wise stated that his client wants to relay to the members of the Board and to the Public that he enthusiastically supports the upcoming bond and urges the public to support the bond proposal for the best interest of the students and for the future of Rye.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Ms. Belanger, seconded by Ms. Egan and carried (7-0) to approve the following items:

General

Consent Agenda General 6.01

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the January 10, 2012 Minutes as presented.

Consent Agenda General 6.02

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Minutes of January 17, 2012 as presented.

Consent Agenda General 6.03

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves Regulation 4526-R3 to apply to students in grades 6-12 [rather than just 9-12], effective immediately. (Attachment #I)

Consent Agenda General 6.04

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the contract with Active Minds, Inc. for \$500.00. (Attachment #II)

Consent Agenda General 6.05

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the 2012-13 school calendar as presented. (Attachment # III)

Consent Agenda General 6.06

Recommended Action:

That the Board authorizes a revision to the 2011-12 school calendar to include Tuesday, May 1, 2012 as a Superintendent's Conference Day for grades K-8.

Consent Agenda General 6.07

Recommended Action:

That the Board adopts the CSI: Rye: A Look at Forensic Science curriculum for use in the Middle School.

Consent Agenda General 6.08

Recommended Action:

That the Board of Education approves the \$4,222.00 gift from the High School Parents Organization for the purchase and installation of a Smartboard.

Consent Agenda General 6.09

Recommended Action:

That the Board of Education approves the \$1,599.00 gift from the Midland Parent Teacher Organization for the purchase of a set of 24 Senteo clickers.

Consent Agenda General 6.10

Recommended Action:

That the Board of Education approves the \$1,890.00 gift from the Osborn Parent Teacher Organization for the purchase of a subscription to RAZ Kids for grades K-3 for the remainder of this school year and the 2012-13 school year.

Consent Agenda General 6.11

Recommended Action:

That the Board of Education approves the approximate gift of \$15,715.00 from the Middle School Parent Organization for ceiling fans, Smart Student Interactive Response systems, flip camera's, headphones with microphones, HP laser printers, and funds for the Middle School Technology Department. (Attachment # IV)

Fiscal

Consent Agenda Fiscal 7.01

Recommended Action:

That the Board of Education approves Budget Transfer #16 in the amount of \$13,000.00, to cover community relations expenses related to potential bond. Funds are being transferred from another "Board of Education" budget account and "Chief School Administrator" budget accounts. (Attachment #V)

Professional

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.01

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Resignation due to Retirement of Clarita Zeppie as Principal of Osborn School, effective at the close of business June 30, 2012.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.02

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the request by Marianne DiSalvo for a Child Care Leave of Absence, from her position as an Elementary Teacher, assigned to Milton School, effective on or about her estimated due date of April 6, 2012 - June 30, 2012.

That the Board approves the request by Joanna Diaco for a Child Care Leave of Absence, from her position as an School Psychologist, assigned to Milton School, effective on or about her estimated due date of May 1, 2012 – June 30, 2012 and September 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013.

That the Board approves the request by Kristin Castaldi for a Child Care Leave of Absence, from her position as an Art Teacher, assigned to Milton School, effective on or about her estimated due date of April 7, 2012 - June 30, 2012.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.03

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Amendment of the Child Care Leave of Absence of Laura O'Leary to be effective September 1, 2011 – January 20, 2012.

(Laura O’Leary was previously approved for a Child Care Leave of Absence effective September 1, 2011 – January 27, 2012 at the June 28, 2011 Board of Education Meeting.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.04

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves Rescinding the Resignation of Carole Andreasen from her position as a Teacher on Special Assignment/Director of Technology, effective July 1, 2012.

(Carole Andreasen’s Resignation was previously approved effective July 1, 2012 at the April 12, 2011 Board of Education Meeting.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.05

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Appointment of Carole Andreasen as a Teacher on Special Assignment/Director of Technology, assigned to the Rye City School District, 1.0 FTE, MA +60 Step 18 of the 2012-2013 Teacher Salary Schedule, \$122,409 plus Longevity Payment of \$4,450, plus Supervisory Ratio (.20 of base salary) of \$24,482 = \$151,341 Total Salary, effective July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.06

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Resignation of Carole Andreasen from her position as a Teacher on Special Assignment/Director of Technology, assigned to Rye City School District, effective at the close of business June 30, 2013.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.07

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Leave Replacement Appointment of Nancy Dupuis as a Special Education Teacher, for which she holds New York State Initial Certification in Students With Disabilities (Birth-Grade 2) and New York State Initial Certification in Students With Disabilities (Grades 1-6), assigned to Midland School, 1.0 FTE, MA Step 1 of the 2011-2012 Teacher Salary Schedule, \$60,356 (pro rated amount of \$18,437.86), effective January 11, 2012 – April 20, 2012.

(Nancy Dupuis is replacing Catherine Yusi who is on a Child Care Leave of Absence.)

That the Board approves the Leave Replacement Appointment of Suzanne Adams as an English Teacher, for which she holds New York State Initial Certification in English Arts 7-12, assigned to Rye High School, MA Step 3 of the 2011-2012 Teacher Salary Schedule, \$64,749 (pro rated amount of \$32,374.50), effective January 30, 2012 – June 30, 2012.

(Suzanne Adams was previously approved as a Leave Replacement, effective October 17, 2011 – January 27, 2012 at the December 13, 2011 Board of Education Meeting. Suzanne Adams will be replacing Noreen Kennedy who is on a Medical Leave of Absence.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.08**Recommended Action:**

That the Board approves the Leave Replacement Amendment of Chad Charney from a Permanent Substitute Teacher at the rate of \$107 per day to a Leave Replacement Teacher, 1.0 FTE , BA Step 1 of the 2011-2012 Teacher Salary Schedule, \$54,229 (pro rated amount of \$28,199.08), pending New York State Initial Certification in Social Studies 7-12 and pending New York State Internship Certification in Students With Disabilities 7-12 - Generalist, assigned to Rye High School, effective September 27, 2011 – February 29, 2012.

(Chad Charney was previously approved as a Leave Replacement Teacher, effective September 27, 2011 – January 27, 2012 at the December 13, 2011 Board of Education Meeting.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.09**Recommended Action:**

That the Board approves the Appointment of Sara Linehan as a Permanent Substitute Teacher on the Secondary Level, assigned to Rye High School/Rye Middle School, at the rate of \$107 per day, effective January 30, 2012- June 30, 2012.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.10**Recommended Action:**

That the Board approves the Appointment of the following for Extra Pay for Extra Work for the 2011-2012 school year.

	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>INDEX</u>	<u>11/12 STEP</u>	<u>11/12 RATE</u>
Athletic-SPRING					
ATHLETIC	Assistant to Program	Pusateri, Theresa	0.09000	6	6,540
BASEBALL	Varsity Baseball Coach	Bruno, Michael	0.09500	6	6,904
BASEBALL	JV Coach	Bruno, Matthew	0.07500	6	5,450
BASEBALL	Asst. to Program	Kennedy, James	0.05500	5	3,807
GOLF Boys	Varsity Coach	Romano, Patrick	0.08000	6	5,814
GOLF Girls	Varsity Coach	Savage, Richard	0.08000	4	5,273
LACROSSE (Boys)	Varsity Coach	Dooley, Brian	0.09500	6	6,904
LACROSSE (Boys)	JV Coach	Johnson, Michael	0.07500	6	5,450
LACROSSE (Boys)	Asst. to Var. Prog.	Dooley, Scott	0.05500	6	3,997
LACROSSE (Boys)	Asst. to JV Prog.	Savarese, Anthony	0.05500	6	3,997
LACROSSE (Girls)	Varsity Coach	Hurlie, Dennis	0.09500	6	6,904
LACROSSE (Girls)	JV Coach	Janos, Gregory	0.07500	4	4,944
LACROSSE (Girls)	Asst. to the Program	Morrison, Kerri	0.05500	2	3,288
SOFTBALL	Varsity Coach	Tejera, Alex	0.09500	6	6,904
SOFTBALL	JV Coach	Nixon, Kim	0.07500	6	5,450
SOFTBALL	Asst. to Var/JV Prog	Apiscopo, Nicholas	0.05500	6	3,997
TENNIS (Boys)	Varsity Coach	Dickson, Susan	0.08000	6	5,814
TRACK	Varsity (Boys) Coach	Yedowitz, James	0.09500	6	6,904
TRACK	Varsity (Girls) Coach	McGee, John	0.09500	6	6,904
TRACK	Asst. to Var. Prog. (Boys)	Ciociou, Adrian	0.07500	6	5,450
CREW	Varsity (Girls)	Palermo, Jennifer	0.08000	4	5,273
CREW	Varsity (Boys)	Nelson, Stanley	0.08000	4	5,273

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Middle School - Spring

BASEBALL	Modified 7/8 Coach (Black)	Plaice, Josh	0.06500	6	4,724
BASEBALL	Asst. to the Program	DiDomenico, Domenick	0.05500	Volunteer	
LACROSSE(Boys)	Modified 7/8 Coach (Black)	Berk, Simon	0.06500	4	4,285
LACROSSE (Boys)	Asst. to the Program	GiaQuinto, Kenneth	0.05500	Volunteer	
LACROSSE (Boys)	Modified 7/8 Coach (Red)	McReddie, Adam	0.06500	4	4,285
LACROSSE (Girls)	Modified 7/8 Coach (Red)	Henwood, Mary	0.06500	6	4,724
LACROSSE (Girls)	Modified 7/8 Coach (Black)	Fitzgerald, Emily	0.06500	5	4,499
SOFTBALL	Modified 7/8 Coach (Black)	Pusateri, Theresa	0.06500	6	4,724
SOFTBALL	Modified 7/8 Coach (Red)	Carey, Michael	0.06500	0	3,525
TRACK (Co-Ed)	Modified 7/8 Coach	Carman, Charles	0.06500	6	4,724
TRACK (Co-Ed)	Modified 7/8 Coach	Sandhaus, Craig	0.06500	6	4,724
TRACK (Co-Ed)	Assist. To Mod. Program	Dowling, Connor	0.05500	6	3,997

Consent Agenda – Personnel 8.11

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Appointment of Jordana Vigoda as a Substitute Psychologist, for which she holds New York State Provisional Certification as a School Psychologist, at the MA Step 1 hourly rate of \$43.11 of the 2011-2012 Teacher Salary Schedule, effective January 18, 2012 – June 30, 2012.

Classified

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.01

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Resignation of Dolores Hausler from her position as a Teacher Aide, assigned to Osborn School, effective at the close of business February 29, 2012.

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.02

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Appointment of Kathryn Thompson as a Teacher Aide for Special Education, with a probationary period of a minimum of twelve weeks to a maximum of fifty-two weeks assigned to Osborn School at \$18.01 per hour, Step 1 of the 2011-2012 Teacher Aides/Teaching Assistants Salary Schedule, 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective January 13, 2012.

(Kathryn Thompson was previously approved as a Substitute Teacher Aide for Special Education and a Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective November 16, 2011 at the November 15, 2011 Board of Education Meeting.)

(This appointment fills a vacancy that was in the Adopted 2011-2012 budget.)

Consent Agenda – Personnel 9.03

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Appointment of the following Substitute Teacher Aides to be used only on an as needed basis for the 2011-2012 School Year:

Hourly rate of pay as follows:

Teacher Aide - \$13.51 is hourly rate of pay, Salary Step 1 of Teacher Aide/Teaching Assistant Unit Contract for the School Year.

Teacher Aide for Special Education – \$18.01 is hourly rate of pay, Salary Step 1 of Teacher

Lisa DePauw	Effective: January 25, 2012
Nicole Haviland	Effective: January 25, 2012
Carolyn Lyons	Effective: January 25, 2012

Consent Agenda – Personnel 10.01

Recommended Action:

That the Board approves the Committee of Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education recommendations as attached. (Attachment #VI)

Ms. Slack acknowledged that the Board approved a gift of \$4,222. from the High School PO for a SMARTBoard; a gift of \$1,599. from the Midland PTO for a set of 24 Senteo clickers; a gift of \$1,890. from the Osborn PTO for a subscription to RAZ Kids; and a gift of \$15,715. from the Middle School PO for ceiling fans, Smart Student Interactive Response systems, flip cameras, headphones with microphones, HP laser printers, and funds for the Technology Department. Ms. Slack acknowledged on behalf of the Board of Education for the tremendous work that the parent organizations do for the school district and the Board is indebted to them.

Ms. Slack announced that Osborn School Principal Clarita Zeppie will retire as of June 30, 2012. She noted that Mrs. Zeppie has been the Principal at Osborn for 8 years, since her appointment in 2004. The Board sent its best wishes to Mrs. Zeppie, with the understanding that there will be more opportunities to thank her this spring. Mrs. Slack stated that the district will develop a plan for the recruitment and selection of a new Osborn principal with an effective date of July 1, 2012.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

Dr. Shine reviewed K-12 and Middle School /High School combined enrollment projections through 2021. He then led a presentation on projected class size totals at the High School for the 2015-16 and 2020-21 school years.

Ms. Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Business presented the Preliminary Presentation to the Rye City School District's Board of Education of the 2012-13 Superintendent's Recommended Budget. (Attachment #VII)

Mr. Armand Quadrini of KSQ Architects reviewed the Revised and Proposed Capital Projects Bond - March 13, 2012 (Attachment #VIII). Mr. Chris Pearson of Triton Construction addressed the Board of comparables to other recently completed construction projects in the State.

Ms. Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Business presented the Preliminary March 2012 Bond Debt Cost Impact. (Attachment # IX).

Ms. Slack asked for School Board and community input regarding the presentations by Dr. Shine, Ms. Ryan and KSQ Architects regarding a revised bond proposal. Members of the Board of Education in addition to Mr. Robert Zahm, Mr. Bertrand deFrondeville, Rye High School Principal Mrs. Patricia Taylor, Ms. Nancy Pasquale and Ms. Mary Emory all voiced their opinions.

ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Slack asked for a show of hands of the Board Members committing to a tax cap compliant budget. All Board members raised their hands in support of the following:

Agenda Action Item 13.01

Recommended Action:

Agreement to a Tax Levy Cap Budget (Attachment # X)

That the Board agrees to make a commitment to present the 2012-13 budget to the community on May 15, 2012, at the tax levy cap of 2% or less and to hold budget discussions on March 13 and an Open Topics Budget Hearing on March 27, 2012, to discuss the specifics of the proposed budget before official adoption and the budget vote

Agenda Action Item 13.02

Recommended Action:

Adoption of Bond Resolution (Attachment # XI)

On a motion by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Schmitt and carried (6-1-0), via Roll Call by District Clerk of each Board Member as follows:

Ms. Karen Belanger - Yes
 Ms. Katy Glassberg - Yes
 Ms. Kendall Egan - No
 Mr. Edward Fox - Yes
 Mr. Joshua Nathan - Yes
 Mr. Raymond Schmitt - Yes
 Ms. Laura Slack - Yes

Agenda Action Item 13.03

Recommended Action:

Resolution to establish March 13, 2012 as Election Day (Attachment # XII)

On a motion by Mr. Nathan seconded by Ms. Belanger and carried (7-0) via Roll Call by District Clerk of each Board Member as follows:

Ms. Karen Belanger - Yes
 Ms. Katy Glassberg - Yes
 Ms. Kendall Egan - Yes
 Mr. Edward Fox - Yes
 Mr. Joshua Nathan - Yes
 Mr. Raymond Schmitt - Yes
 Ms. Laura Slack - Yes

PRESENTATION /DISCUSSION

The following Policies were discussed by Board Members with input from community member Mr. Robert Zahm, Ms. Megan Keough and School Attorney, Mr. Gus Mountanos.

0115 Student Bullying Prevention and Intervention

6240 Investments and Deposits

6300 Bond, Revenue and Tax Anticipation Notes

6410 Authorized Signatures

6700.1 Contracted Services

6760 Construction Payment Procedures

6900 Disposal of District Property

9259 Non-Represented Employees

Adjournment:

On a motion by Ms. Glassberg seconded by Ms. Belanger and carried unanimously (7-0) it was voted at 12: 15 a.m. to adjourn the meeting.

Elaine M. Cuglietto
District Clerk

Video of this meeting can be found on the District's website (www.ryeschools.org). Click on District and on Board of Education