

Members present: Gordon, Hudson, Mauro Members absent: _____
Oriola, Sosnow, Weiner, Winchester _____

Admin: Baughman, Bourgeois Admin Absent: Shea

Also: R. Grastorf, G. Hamlin, B. Huss, J. Rickert, D. Rubin, G. Weingartner

I. President Sosnow called the Regular Meeting of the Niskayuna Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome

II. Reports

Reports

A. Superintendent Baughman: indicated the BOCES Annual meeting will be held April 15 at 5:30 p.m. and asked the Board who would be in attendance; shared that the Community Coalition Workshop will be held April 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the high school; stated the Niska-Day Parade will be held at 9:30 a.m. May 22 on Upper Union Street; announced a First Tenure Alert for Dr. Deborah Shea; reported that the STEM Expo at Ballston Spa HS on March 26 was attended by over a thousand local educators; attended cost-savings meeting with NYSED and provided a summary of topics to the Board; invited Board members and the public to upcoming PTO meetings for budget presentations; announced that the 55/25 Early Retirement Incentive recently passed the NYS Senate and is expected to clear the Assembly soon; delivered the news that Governor Paterson is again withholding payments of State Aid up to three months; Congressman Paul Tonko will hold a public meeting at the high school auditorium on April 12 at 2:30 p.m.; indicated the next regular Board meeting will be held April 12 where review of the Guidance Plan and overview of Naviance will be conducted.

Superintendent Report

B. The Board was represented by one or more members at the following: Explorer's parent meeting; third-grade parents informational meeting; April 20 NYSSBA Law Conference will be attended; Tobacco-Free Coalition awards ceremony; Health Committee meeting; Health Advisory Committee meeting; Superintendent evaluation discussion; Safety Committee meeting; reviewed tenure applications; Iroquois site visit; Birchwood, Iroquois, Van Antwerp PTO meetings; Rosendale Learning Fair; Hillside Pancake Breakfast; LTs BBQ will be holding a fundraiser April 28; Foreign Language Lip-Synch Fair at the high school; PTO Council meeting.

Board Reports

C. Garrett Hamlin of Tetra Tech and George Weingartner of San-Rubin provided the Board with updates on the Construction Project.

Construction Update

It was decided an additional BOE meeting will be held at 8AM, Wednesday, April 21

III. Comments from the Community

Community Comments

Tom Donohue of Orchard Park Drive addressed the Board regarding the proposed elimination of the Aquatics Coordinator.

IV. Consent Agenda

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Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following actions ... Mrs. Gordon seconded. Carried 7-0.

A. ...minutes of the *Special* meeting of March 22, 2010 per ASM VI, A...

Date: March 31, 2010
Date

 Budget
Kind of meeting

V. Instruction

Instruction

VI. Business

Business

A. The Board continued its budget discussion.

B. The Board reviewed Federal programs.

C. Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, adopt the proposed 2010-2011 school budget in the amount of \$76,453,731 for voter consideration at the May 18, 2010 annual meeting as per ASM VI, C. Mrs. Gordon seconded. Carried 6-1 (Winchester)

Budget Adoption

D. Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the Jewish Community Center to provide after-school Childcare programs at all District elementary schools commencing September 7, 2010 and ending September 6, 2011 as per ASM VI, D. Mr. Hudson seconded. Carried 7-0.

Approve Childcare Program Provider

E. Mrs. Gordon moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the March 19, 2010 Audit Committee Meeting minutes and report of the Claims Auditor for the period of 12/15/09 – 3/12/10 as per ASM VI, E (as amended). Mr. Hudson seconded. Carried 7-0.

Accept and File Audit Committee Minutes/Report

VII. Personnel

Personnel

VIII. General

General

Dr. Baughman thanked the Board for their stewardship and direction in the review and approval of the adopted 2010-2011 budget.

IX. Adjourn

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There being no further business, Mr. Weiner moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. Mrs. Gordon seconded. Carried 7-0.