

DUANESBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
TOWN OF DUANESBURG
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
 August 4, 2009
7:30 p.m. - HS Library

Vision - Duanesburg Central School District will become a model for smaller school districts in New York State. Instructional excellence will be the bedrock of the district characterized by a strong academic core, technology integration and a challenging and stimulating curriculum. Our educational program will include enrichment, interdisciplinary teaching and active roles for students. All students will be challenged and supported to achieve their highest abilities. The district will value its students and staff. The community will value and participate in our mission. Our facilities will promote our mission.

Goals - The goal of the Duanesburg Central School District's Board of Education is to represent and serve students, district residents, faculty, staff, administrators and district volunteers through policy development, thoughtful planning of academic programming, facilities management and fiscal responsibility to ensure the highest level of achievement and preparation of our student body.

CALL TO ORDER at 7:31 p.m. by President Moreno.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	President Moreno	Present
	Vice President Holmes	Absent
	Trustee Munson	Absent
	Trustee Tkaczyk	Present
	Trustee Loukides	Present
	Trustee McKeeby	Present

Also Present: Superintendent Crowley, Business Administrator Kane, HS Principal DeLuke, MS Principal Reyes, ES Principal Ryan

Visitors: A. Kennedy, R. Kennedy, J. Mesick, D. Mesick {students}; L. Kulikoff, K. Holt, S. McDaniel, L. Herzog, M. Mesick, K. Wengenack, M. Keenan, Z. Keenan, A. Cass, K. LaBarge, C. Winters, B. Boyd, R. Compton {parents/community members}; L. Armour {staff}

AGENDA CHANGES ~ ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Discussion about Graduation at Proctors vs at DCS

PRESENTATION/APPROVAL OF BOE MINUTES FOR ACTION:

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education approve the minutes of the 7/7/09 Reorganization Meeting and the regular meeting of 7/7/09 as submitted.

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

WRITTEN REPORTS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:

NEW BUSINESS

BOE Standing Committee Report

- Employee Relations Committee - *Carlos* - DTA Negotiations
- Audit Committee - *Bridget, Cecilia*
- Buildings & Grounds Committee - *Paul*
- Education Committee - *Bridget, Carlos, Paul*
- Public Relations Committee - *Cecilia*

Appoint Board of Education Standing Committees

Employee Relations Committee - (2008-09 <i>Carlos</i>)	Carlos, Bridget, CeCe
Audit Committee - (2008-09 <i>Bridget, Cecilia</i>)	Carlos, Bridget, Paul
Buildings & Grounds Committee - (2008-09 <i>Paul</i>)	Paul, CeCe, John
Education Committee - (2008-09 <i>Bridget, Carlos, Paul</i>)	Carlos, Bridget, Christina
Public Relations Committee - (2008-09 <i>Cecilia</i>)	Christina, John

Motion by Trustee Loukides, seconded by Trustee Tkaczyk.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

Superintendent's Status Report/Update

Principals' Reports/Updates

Financial Status Report

1. Approve Tax Rates.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education approve the Equalization Rates for 2009-10 as recommended by the business administrator.

<u>Town</u>	<u>Tax Rate per \$1,000 of assessed value</u>
Duanesburg	53.45
Charleston	15.29
Knox	28.44
Wright	18.71
Princetown	48.37
Florida	26.33
Schoharie	18.71

Motion by Trustee Loukides, seconded by Trustee Tkaczyk.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

2. Approve Reserve Fund Categories.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education give the business administrator permission to put money into the following reserve accounts:

Insurance Reserves	\$33,000
Employee Benefits Reserves	\$112,000

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

3. Approve Disposal of Fixed Assets/Equipment.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education approve the disposal of fixed assets/equipment as recommended by the business administrator.

Motion by Trustee Loukides, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

4. Accept Donation.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education accept the donation of \$1,340 made by the Duanesburg Education Foundation for ES Agendas and ES Student Council Mimeo unit as recommended by the business administrator.

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee Loukides.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

5. Claims Auditor's Comments on August 4, 2009 Warrant.
6. Accept Warrants.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education accept the following warrants:

General Fund	W#2	\$35,683.13
General Fund	W#3	\$611,337.04

Motion by Trustee McKeeby, seconded by Trustee Loukides.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

7. Accept Financial Reports.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education accept the Treasurer's Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Budget Status Report and ECA Report as recommended by the business administrator.

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee Loukides.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

8. Final 2008-09 Budget Transfers.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education accept the final 2008-09 Budget Transfers as recommended by the business administrator.

Motion by Trustee Loukides, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

Personnel Items.

1. Accept Resignation.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education accept the resignation of Robert Bigley, Math Teacher, effective August 4, 2009.

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

2. Approve Appointments.

Recommendation that the Duaneburg Board of Education approve the following appointments as recommended by building principals, director of special education and business administrator.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Duaneburg Central School District hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint Mary Kate Lawler to a three (3) year probationary appointment as a teacher of Business in the Business Education-General tenure area, commencing September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2012. Ms. Lawler holds a initial certification as a Business & Marketing K-12 Teacher (certificate #1177690).

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Duaneburg Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves a three (3) year probationary appointment of Melinda Barnes as a foreign language (French) teacher in the Foreign Language tenure area, effective September 1, 2009 and expiring August 31, 2012. This appointment is specifically contingent upon Ms. Barnes receiving certification to also teach Spanish, no later than December 31, 2011. Ms. Barnes holds an initial certification as a French 7-12 Teacher (certificate #1953364).

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Duaneburg Central School District hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint Cathleen Gordon to a three (3) year probationary appointment as a teacher of Chemistry/Physics in the Science tenure area, commencing September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2012. Ms. Gordon holds a permanent certification as a General Science & Chemistry, Earth Science, Biology, & Physics 7-12 Teacher (control #615814951, #613767951, #613766951, #615815951).

Pamela Jackson (Wojeski)	PT (.4 FTE) Math Teacher effective 9/1/09 – 8/31/10
Laura Risley	PT (.4 FTE) English Teacher effective 9/1/09 – 8/31/10
Dawn Oliver	Bus Monitor effective 9/1/09
Karen Bruhn	Math Department Chairperson
Melissa Millington	HS Store
Karen Kanarkiewicz	MS/HS Leo Club
Donna Prescott	MS/HS Nimbus
J. Westfall/B. Minute/L. Feinburg/C. Hallahan	ES Social Club
Frank DeMasi	Boys' Cross Country
Heather Geidel	Girls' Varsity Soccer
Mary Lawler	Girls' Jr. Varsity Soccer
James Hosley	Varsity Volleyball
Karen Kanarkiewicz	Regents Scoring
Sue Clark	Regents Scoring
Shannon Bennett	Regents Scoring
Carol Conley	Regents Scoring
Mark Kepner	Summer Substitute Building Mechanic effective 8/5/09

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

Other Items

1. Approve Disposal of Obsolete Textbooks.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education approve of the disposal of obsolete textbooks as recommended by the building principals.

Motion by Trustee McKeeby, seconded by Trustee Loukides.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

2. Approve Equal Opportunity/Sexual Harassment Policy.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education approve the Equal Opportunity/Sexual Harassment Policy as recommended by the superintendent.

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee Loukides.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

3. Approve Student Handbooks.

Recommendation that the Duanesburg Board of Education approve the ES and MS/HS Student Handbooks as recommended by the building principals and the superintendent.

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee McKeeby.

Yes: Moreno, Tkaczyk, Loukides, McKeeby. Absent: Holmes, Munson. **Motion Carried.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4 o'clock buses - additional information

Cafeteria Prices - award Milk Bid at August 18 BOE Meeting

INFORMATION ITEMS

Summer Board of Education Meetings - August 4 & August 18

Board of Education Retreat - August 6 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm at the Central Office

Administrative Retreat - August 13 at the Best Western in Cobleskill - 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

New Teacher Orientation - September 1 at 8:30 am to 2:30 pm at the Best Western in Cobleskill

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION at 9:40 p.m. *to discuss personnel.*

Motion by Trustee Tkaczyk, seconded by Trustee Loukides.

ROLL CALL

President Moreno	Present
Vice President Holmes	Absent
Trustee Munson	Absent
Trustee Tkaczyk	Present
Trustee Loukides	Present
Trustee McKeeby	Present

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION at 10:58 p.m.

Motion by Trustee McKeeby, seconded by Trustee Tkaczyk.

Motions generated by Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT at 10:59 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Loukides.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda J. Kane
Recording Secretary for the Board of Education

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Aug. 4 - Board of Education Meeting - 7:30 pm/HS Library
- 6 - Board of Education Retreat - 5:30 to 9:30 pm/Central Office
- 13 - Admin. Retreat from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Best Western in Cobleskill
- 18 - Board of Education Meeting - 7:30 pm/HS Library
- Sept. 1 - New Teacher Orientation from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm - Best Western in Cobleskill
- 1 & 15 - Board of Education Meetings - 7:30 pm/HS Library