

# MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

PUTNAM VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
146 PEEKSKILL HOLLOW ROAD  
PUTNAM VALLEY, NEW YORK 10579

TIME:7:00pm Type of Meeting: Work/Session Business Mtg.  
No.Pages: 4

Date: November 5, 2009

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION:** Tina Mackay, President **PRESENT**  
Guy Cohen, Vice President  
Valerie Fitzgerald, Trustee  
Frank Reale, Trustee

Mary Maus, Trustee (Absent-Notified)

**ADMINISTRATORS:** Marc Space, Superintendent  
Barbara Fuchs, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Personnel  
Paul Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Technology  
Mark Lybolt, Director of Athletics, Physical Education & Health  
Natalie Doherty, Director of Special Education

**OTHERS:** Maureen Bellino, District Clerk  
Daniel Cray & Christopher Nelson, Student Reps. to the BOE  
Reporter from PCNR  
Approximately 5 members of the community, faculty and staff.

Ms. Mackay convened the meeting at 7:03pm with the pledge of  
allegiance.

**CONVENE MEETING**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Dr. Space began a discussion about membership in the National School Board's Association. He noted they are currently offering a reduced membership rate which is significantly less than the NYSSBA.

Dr. Space noted that membership in this national organization would provide an opportunity to participate in webinars, policy programs that are national versus just statewide, have an advocacy group at the national level, professional development strands for district clerks and an opportunity to see if we are satisfied with our current membership in NYSSBA or if the District sees any advantages to an organization with a national perspective. He noted he would not seek action tonight but would discuss it further at the Business Meeting of November 19. It was noted that our membership in NYSSBA also includes their lobbying effort. Dr. Space noted he would have the membership item placed on the agenda for November 19.

The next topic for discussion was the series 4000 policies. The Board discussed the purpose of Policy 4000. Dr. Space noted the Policies Committee also did not see a purpose to it. The entire 4000 policy series would be read through at this meeting for additions and deletions but would be brought back for an official first reading at the November 19 Business Meeting. (Document attached to the official minutes of this meeting.)

Mr. Paul Lee and Ms. Barbara O'Hare, Administrative Assistant did a presentation on Facilities Use. (Presentation attached to the official minutes of this meeting). The presentation included the law related to charging groups to use District facilities. It was noted that the law does not actually say a fee must be imposed. Mr. Lee noted he believed on erring on the conservative side and that the law had not as yet been challenged in the courts but the NYSSBA is of the opinion that a fee must be charged. It was noted that more information will be brought to the Board on this subject including fees charged by are Districts at the December Work Session on December 3.

The Student Representatives reported on the latest athletic contests and gave the upcoming sports' schedule for the week. They noted that Mr. Dan Cray met with Dr. Space to discuss progress on the website for the proposed Alumni Association and will be making a presentation at the January or February Board meeting. They also noted they will be discussing community service with Mr. Bryant, High School Principal and the High School Student Government before discussing it at the December work session on December 3.

There was no report from the PTA or PTSA.

#### **PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Ms. Mackay asked for public contribution on agenda items. There was no contribution so the Board moved into new business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

On motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Reale, the motion to approve the first reading of Board Policy Series #4000 as per Document #49/10 attached to the agenda and official minutes of this meeting was tabled. Motion carried unanimously.

**TABLE MOTION**  
**TO APPROVE THE**  
**FIRST READING OF**  
**BOARD POLICY**  
**SERIES 4000**

10/142

On motion by Mr. Reale, seconded by Ms. Fitzgerald, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Miriam Sciglio to a permanent appointment (due to the preferred eligibility list) effective November 2, 2009 as a Teacher Aide at the Putnam Valley Elementary School on Step 5 of the CSEA salary schedule. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPOINT**  
**M. SCIGLIO**  
**PERM. APPT.**  
**PVES TEACHER AIDE**  
**EFF. 11/2/09**

10/143

On motion by Ms. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Chrissy Phillips as the Coordinator of the Grades 3 and 4 musical at a stipend of \$2,991. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPOINT**  
**C. PHILLIPS**  
**COORD. GR.3&4**  
**PVES MUSICAL**

10/144

## **PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION PERIOD**

Ms. Mackay asked for public contribution on non-agenda items.

Dr. Space noted that he and Mr. Cohen would be attending a joint meeting of Superintendents and Board of Education members to discuss the state of education on November 12.

Ms. Fitzgerald noted that the Legislative Action Committee has met and are discussing different issues and are requesting data related to healthcare and the pension funds.

There was no other public contribution from the community members present.

**CONVENE**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
10/145

At 10:25pm, on motion by Ms. Mackay, seconded by Mr. Reale, the Board of Education moved into Executive Session to discuss one matter of the employment of a particular person and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law). Motion carried unanimously.

Joining the Board in Executive Session were Dr. Marc Space, Dr. Barbara Fuchs, Mr. Paul Lee and Ms. Natalie Doherty.

At 11:20pm, Dr. Space, Dr. Fuchs, Mr. Lee and Ms. Doherty left the Executive Session; the Board continued to meet.

**ADJOURN**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
10/146

At 11:35pm, on motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Mr. Reale, the Executive Session was adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**  
**MEETING**  
10/147

At 11:36pm, on motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Ms. Fitzgerald, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Maureen Bellino  
District Clerk