

**YORKTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**February 27, 2006
Mildred E. Strang Middle School**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION
6:00 PM
BUSINESS MEETING
7:00 PM**

A G E N D A

- A.** Meeting Called to Order
- B.** Executive Session – 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- Negotiations – David Shaw
 - Work history of a particular individual
- C.** Pledge of Allegiance
- D.** Public Comment
- ***NOTE:** Please limit comments to three minutes (Total maximum time allowed: **30 mins.**)
- E.** Board of Education Discussion Items
- National Merit Finalists/Con Ed Award Winner
 - Intel Science Talent Search Semi-Finalists
 - Academic Circles @ YHS
 - Music Department Presentation
 - PTSA Report
 - Board Sub-Committee Progress Reports
 - Superintendent Search Update
 - Board Goals: Mid-Year Conversation
 - Discussion of displaying a crèche in the schools
- F.** Superintendent Reports
- Good News Items
 - Connect Ed
 - Report on School Maintenance
 - Monthly Budget Status Report
- G. RESOLUTIONS**
- 1.** Motion to approve the following:
- a.** Minutes from the Special Meetings of December 6; 2005; December 15, 2005 & January 9, 2006; Emergency Special Meeting of January 12, 2006; and the Business Meeting of December 19, 2005.

- b. Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 2005 and December 31, 2005
- c. Extra-Classroom Funds as of December 31, 2005 and January 31, 2006
- d. Substitute Lists

PERSONNEL

INSTRUCTIONAL

Parental Leave

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- 2. Motion to approve a parental leave of absence for Charis Courtemanche, elementary teacher, effective March 13, 2006 through June 30, 2006.

Resignation

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- 3. Motion to accept the resignation of Toma Gojcevic, physical education teacher at the High School, effective June 30, 2006.

Appointments

- 4. Motion to approve the appointment of Ricky Myint, as a permanent substitute/leave replacement music teacher, Step 2 of the Bachelors salary schedule, a prorated salary of \$16,655.59, effective March 17, 2006 through June 30, 2006. Mr. Myint has Initial certification in Music. He is replacing Jennifer Flynn at Strang Middle School who has been granted a parental leave of absence.
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- 5. Motion to approve the appointment of Natalie Giuliano, as a permanent substitute/leave replacement elementary teacher, Step 4 of the Masters salary schedule, a prorated salary of \$21,016.80, effective March 13, 2006 through June 30, 2006. Ms. Giuliano has Initial certification in Literacy (Birth-Gr. 6). She is replacing Charis Courtemanche at Crompond School who has been granted a parental leave of absence.
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- 6. Motion to approve the emergency probationary appointment of Kea Carota, as an ELL teacher, Step 3 of the Masters salary schedule, a prorated salary of \$21,427.16, effective March 6, 2006. Ms. Carota has Transitional "B" certification in ELL. Her tenure area is Special Subject Tenure Area-ESOL, and her probationary period will expire March 6, 2009. This is a new position approved by the Board of Education.
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- 7. Motion to approve the emergency appointment of Colleen Miraglia, as a 0.5 FTE ELL teacher, Step 5 of the Masters salary schedule plus 60 credits, a prorated salary of \$14,879.34, effective February 28, 2006 through June 30, 2006. Ms. Miraglia's Permanent certification in ELL is pending. This is a new position approved by the Board of Education.

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8. Motion to approve the appointment of Michael Mueller, as a 186 day substitute at Yorktown High School, effective February 28, 2006 through June 30, 2006, \$125 per day, a prorated salary of \$9,750.00.

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9. Motion to approve the appointment of Forrest Douds, as a permanent substitute/leave replacement guidance counselor at the high school, Step 16 of the Masters salary schedule plus 60 credits, effective March 21, 2006 through June 30, 2006. Mr. Douds is replacing Marissa Reed who has been granted a parental leave of absence.

Change in Salary

10. Motion to approve a change in salary for Rebecca Melikian, physical education teacher at Yorktown High School, from Step 1 of the Bachelors salary schedule to Step 1 of the Bachelors salary schedule plus 6 credits, after a review of her official transcript.

Extra Credits

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11. Motion to approve the following extra credits effective January 1, 2006:

- a. **Linda Arko** – Middle School – 10 credits on the Masters to 5MA+40 \$2,062.20
NYSUT Effective Teaching:
Blueprints for Achievement (7/05) (3)
Developing Multiple Intelligences (7/05) (3)
M.A.G.I.C. (8/05) (3)
NW/P Teacher Center:
Creating Better Answers (12/05) (1)
- b. **Karen Profita** – District – 10 credits on the Masters to 15MA+40 \$2,062.20
Fordham University:
Play Therapy With Children (12/05) (1)
Internship-Fall Semester (12/05) (6)
Assessment and Treatment in Child Therapy (12/05) (3)
- c. **Jillian Antonucci** – High School – Conversion from 4BA+20 to 4MA \$5,200.60
Western Connecticut State University

Co-Curricular

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12. Motion to approve the following co-curricular additions/changes:

Strang Middle School

- a. **Christopher DiPasquale** – Bus Duty -- Change from 10 units to 14 units, increase of \$1,145.44
- b. **Donna Morales** – Game Club - \$429.54
- c. **Marlene Parillo** – Art Club - \$286.36
- d. **Kara McCloat** – Art Club - \$286.36
- e. **Marion Ricci** – Culture Club - increase from \$286.36 to \$859.08 – replacing Marylou McIntosh who is no longer doing this club.

SUPPORT

Appointments

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13. Motion to approve the emergency appointment of Michael Barrows, as a Teaching Assistant/ Instructional Assistant, Step 1 of the Instructional Assistant salary schedule, 6.5 hours per day, a prorated salary of \$4,978.74, effective February 28, 2006. Mr. Barrows' TA certification is pending. His probationary period will expire February 28, 2009. This is a new position to meet the needs of a new student to the Middle School.

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14. Motion to approve the emergency appointment of Margaret McGourty, as an Instructional Assistant, Step 1 of the Instructional Assistant salary schedule, 2.25 hours per day, a prorated salary of \$1,723.41, effective February 28, 2006. Ms. McGourty is replacing Elizabeth Pezzulo who has accepted another position at the Middle School. This position is subject to a probationary period of a minimum of 12 weeks to a maximum of 52 weeks.

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15. Motion to approve the emergency appointment of Florence Schultz, as a Teaching Assistant/ Instructional Assistant, Step 4 of the Instructional Assistant salary schedule, 6.58 hours per day, a prorated salary of \$6,554.08, effective February 28, 2006. Ms. Schultz has Permanent N-6 certification. She is replacing Rose Millan who has accepted another position with the district. Ms. Schultz's initial placement will be at French Hill School. Her probationary period will expire February 28, 2009.

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16. Motion to approve the emergency appointment of Florence Lasicki, as a Teaching Assistant/ Instructional Assistant, Step 1 of the Instructional Assistant salary schedule, 6.58 hours per day, a prorated salary of \$5,040.02, effective February 28, 2006. Ms. Lasicki has Initial certification in Visual Arts. She is replacing Michelle Morabito who has accepted another position with the district. Ms. Lasicki's initial placement will be at French Hill School. Her probationary period will expire February 28, 2009.

Increase in Time

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17. Motion to approve an increase in time for Jacqueline Caffrey, nurse with the district, from 0.5 FTE to 0.85 FTE, an increase of \$6,324.32, effective February 28, 2006, due to a change in her assignment. Ms. Caffrey is accepting the nurse position vacated by the resignation of Dina Puglia at St. Patrick’s School.

Coaches’ Resignations

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18. Motion to approve the resignation of Robert Ellis as the head coach for the Freshman Boys’ Lacrosse Team.

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19. Motion to approve the resignation of Ellen Mager as the head coach for the Varsity Girls’ Lacrosse team.

Coaches’ Appointments

Spring 2006

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20. Motion to approve the following coaching appointments for the 2005-2006 school year:

| <u>Coach</u> | <u>Sport</u> | <u>Level</u> | <u>Base</u> | <u>Longevity</u> | | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------------|---|--------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|
| | | | | <u>%</u> | <u>Amt.</u> | |
| Rebecca Melikian | Softball – Head Coach | JV | \$ 3,091.51 | -- | -- | \$ 3,091.51 |
| Melissa Alamprese | Girls Lacrosse-Head Coach <i>(originally appointed as the Varsity Asst. Coach)</i> | V | \$ 4,416.44 | -- | -- | \$ 4,416.44 |

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

INSTRUCTIONAL

21. Motion to approve the following Yorktown Congress of Teachers Professional Improvement Program proposals (Contract Balance: \$30,000.00; Encumbered to date: \$23,582.61. Total to be approved: \$1,743.10.)

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| <p>a. Danielle Coletta, teacher at Brookside School, to attend “Phonological Processing and Phonemic Awareness: Critical Dimensions of Literacy”, Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES, April 28, 2006 (8:00am – 3:00pm)</p> | <p><u>Cost</u> \$150.00</p> |
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| b. | Nancy Picco, teacher at Middle School, to attend “The Best Young Adult Books of the Decade and How to Use Them in Your Program”, Newburgh/Holiday Inn – Fishkill, March 29, 2006 (8:30am-3:15pm) | \$220.10 |
| c. | Paula Stops, teacher at High School, to attend “Columbia Scholastic Press Association Convention”, Columbia University (New York City), March 15 – 17, 2006 (8:00am-3:30pm) | \$597.00 |
| d. | Gerry Alterbaum, teacher at High School, to attend “Columbia Scholastic Press Association Convention”, Columbia University (New York City), March 15-17, 2006 (8:00am-3:30pm) | \$606.00 |
| e. | Lissette Gonzalez, school psychologist at Alternative High School, to attend “LD Identification in the Context of IDEA, 3-Tier Service Delivery Models & RTI, Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES, March 10, 2006 (8:30am – 3:30pm) | \$170.00 |

PROFESSIONAL REGISTERED NURSES UNIT

22. Motion to approve the following Yorktown Nurses Professional Improvement Proposal for 2005-2006. (Contract Balance \$5652.50. Total to be approved: \$1253.25):

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| | <u>Cost</u> |
| a. Lisa Epstein, District Nurse at Mildred E. Strang Middle School, to attend Pace University – Pleasantville Campus - March 29, 2006 to December 13, 2006. This is a fifteen week program which is unique to the educational needs of the school nurse. It deals with emergency response, common environmental exposures, critical assessment and intervention, obesity, self manipulation, etc. | \$1,253.25 |

BOARD

POLICIES

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First Reading

23. The first reading of the following Yorktown Board of Education Policies for fiscal accountability:

| | <u>Policy Number</u> | <u>Name of Policy</u> |
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| a. | 2520 | Board Member Training (<i>new</i>) |
| b. | 2521 | Board Member Attendance at Conferences (<i>amended</i>) |
| c. | 6620 | Fraud Waste and Abuse (<i>new</i>) |
| d. | 6650 | Claims Auditor (<i>amended</i>) |

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| e. | 6660 | Independent/External Audits (<i>amended</i>) |
| f. | 6680 | Internal Audit Function (<i>new</i>) |
| g. | 6690 | Audit Committee (<i>new</i>) |
| h. | 6705 | District-Owned Credit Cards (<i>new</i>) |
| i. | 6715 | District-Owned Cellular Telephones (<i>new</i>) |
| j. | 6840 | Food Purchases for District Meetings (<i>new</i>) |
| k. | 9290 | Staff Attendance at Conferences (<i>new</i>) |

SPECIAL EDUCATION

IEP Placement Recommendations

24. Motion to arrange the following Special Education Placements:

3479, 3423, 3238, 3263, 3437, 3276, 3215, 3345, 3275, 3248, 3412, 3446, 3014, 1721, 3239, 3463, 3011, 3436, 3312, 3468, 3464, 3253, 3477, 3481, 2364, 3352, 3467, 3465, 3407, 2672, 2679, 2683, 2155, 2803, 1765, 2256, 2534, 1822, 1907, 2221, 2597, 1873, 1704, 2404, 2679, 2291, 2365, 2136, 2256, 2253, 2287, 1911, 2119, 1961, 3462, 3455, 3219, 3478, 3117, 3442, 3480, 2824, 1772

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

Surplus Equipment

25. Motion to declare 50 student desks, 16 chairs, and 4 tables located at Yorktown High School as surplus equipment. *This equipment is in poor or broken condition and has no current value.*

BUSINESS OFFICE

Health & Welfare Services

26. Motion to approve contracts for health and welfare services provided to resident pupils attending non-public schools in other districts.

| <u>District</u> | <u># of Pupils</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Greenburgh | 3 | \$2,228.73 |
| Valhalla | 1 | 846.75 |
| Tarrytown | 13 | 8,125.00 |

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27. Motion to establish the 2005-2006 per pupil rate of \$692.10 for health & welfare services to non-resident pupils attending non-public schools within the Yorktown Central School District.

Bond Vote

28. Motion to approve the following individuals as Elections Inspectors/Assistant Clerks to assist the board of Registration and Canvass during the budget vote at a rate of \$8.25 per hour:

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| Anna Appruzzese (E.I.) Judi Bloom (A.C.) Clara Cartelli (A.C.) Thelma DeJoseph (A.C.) Gloria DePolo (E.I.) Laura Gleeson (A.C.) Linda Doerr (A.C.) Nina Filogomo (E.I.) Eleanor Fortunato (Chief Elec. Inspector) Laura Gleeson (A.C.) Theresa Klan (E.I.) | Sandy Lynch (A.C.) Jeanette Martimucci (A.C.) Norlene McCauliffe (E.I.) Mary Meehan (A.C.) Jenny Menton Grasso (A.C.) Kathi Nicholson (A.C.) Deane O'Donohue (E.I.) Kathleen O'Keefe (E.I.) Rita Pizzuro (A.C.) Jeanne Schmultz (E.I.) Jeanette Schutt (E.I.) Celine Wenzel (A.C.) |
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29. Motion to approve the appointments of Dorothy Sorrentino as Deputy Inspector, Tom Cole as Acting Clerk, John Amato as Chairperson and _____ as Acting Chairperson for the bond vote on March 14, 2006.

GRANTS/GIFTS/DONATIONS

Crompond School

30. Motion to accept an IBM Community Grant in the amount of \$1,000 to Crompond Elementary School. This grant is in recognition of the volunteer efforts of IBM employee, Francine DiBernardo.

Cost to District: N/A

French Hill/Brookside Schools

31. Motion to accept the following signs for French Hill & Brookside Schools:

French Hill

a. A back-lit sign valued at \$4500. from the French Hill School PTA to be placed outside the school to showcase French Hill events.

Cost to the district: None

Brookside

- b. A back-lit sign valued at \$3500. from the Brookside Elementary School PTA to be placed outside the school to showcase Brookside Elementary events.

Cost to the district: None

H. Public Comment

***NOTE:** Please limit comments to three minutes (Total maximum time allowed: **30 mins.**)

I. Board of Education Comments

J. Adjournment

(“? ” – Indicates new items added to the final agenda)