

**COHOES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Board of Education  
Cohoes, New York  
Cohoes Middle School - Library**

**Regular Meeting  
March 29, 2017  
6:00 p.m.**

(The Board of Education may entertain a motion to enter into an executive session subject to Board approval.)

**MINUTES**

I. The Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Board President, Mr. McDonald.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mr. Nolin  
Mrs. Frangie  
Mr. Baran  
Mr. Pascale  
Mrs. Giller  
Mr. McDonald

Excused: Mrs. Rizzo

Also Present: Dr. Jennifer Spring, Superintendent  
Ms. Peggy O'Shea, Assistant Superintendent for Education Services  
Mrs. Stacy Mackey, School Business Official

**MOTION:** To accept the Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings of February 8, 2017, March 1, 2017 and March 15, 2017.

Moved by: Mr. Baran  
All voted "Aye"

Seconded by: Mrs. Frangie  
Motion carried 6-0

II. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- A. Coaches from winter sports programs recognized their student athletes.
- B. Representatives from CDTA provided a Cohoes School District Transit Services Overview.
- C. The District's Grade Weighting/Class Rank Committee provided the Board with a presentation.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Curriculum and Instruction

CASDA's Regional Awards Dinner is a prestigious program recognizing outstanding individuals in our school districts who have demonstrated excellence in serving their school communities. Dr. Spring announced that Assistant Superintendent Peggy O'Shea will be recognized at their April 12<sup>th</sup> Awards Dinner being held at the Albany Marriott.

B. Business and Operations

Stacy Mackey, School Business Official, provided the Board with a summation of the previous presentations of the 2017/18 Budget to be adopted at the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting for presentation to voters.

IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

V. COMMUNITY DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

A. THAT the Board of Education accepts the Minutes of the Committee on Special Education for the following meeting dates: 11/21/16, 11/29/16, 12/15/16, 1/9/17, 1/10/17, 1/17/17, 1/18/17, 1/19/17, 2/1/17, 2/13/17, 2/14/17, 2/15/17, 2/16/17, 2/27/17, 2/28/17, 3/1/17, 3/2/17, 3/3/17, 3/6/17, 3/7/17, 3/9/17, 3/10/17, 3/13/17, 3/16/17, 3/17/17 and 3/20/17.

B. THAT the Board of Education **amends Item VI(B)(2)** of the July 6, 2016 Minutes in reference to changing the time of the April 12, 2017 meeting as indicated below.

THAT the Board of Education designates the following dates for the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Education for the 2016-17 school year at the Cohoes Middle School at 6:00 PM:

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|------------------------|--|
| August 10 & 24, 2016   | February 8, 2017                       |
| September 7 & 21, 2016 | March 1, 15 & 29, 2017                 |
| October 5 & 19, 2016   | <b>April 12 at 5 PM &amp; 26, 2017</b> |
| November 2 & 16, 2016  | May 3 & 17, 2017                       |
| December 14, 2016      | June 7 & 21, 2017                      |
| January 11 & 25, 2017  |  |

C. THAT the Board of Education adopts the following policies:

- 2000 – Board Operational Goals
- 2100 – School Board Legal Status
- 2110 – School Board Powers and Duties

- 2120 – School Board Elections
- 2120.1 – Candidates and Campaigning
- 2120.2 – Voting Procedures
- 2150 – Filling Board Vacancies
- 2160 – School District Officer and Employee Code of Ethics
- 2210 – Board Reorganizational Meeting

D. THAT the Board of Education waives the facility use fee of \$200 per day outlined in Policy 1500 for use of district facilities as indicated on the following facilities use forms.

<b>REQUESTOR</b>	<b>PURPOSE OF USE</b>	<b>SY 2016/2017</b>
Cohoes Intermediate Baseball	CHS Batting Cages	Tues, 2/7 – 28, 4:30-6pm
City Cohoes Mentors in Motion	Track CHS	Mon, 3/27 – 5/8, 6-7pm
Cohoes Alumni Basketball	CHS New Gym	Sun, 3/27 – 5/1, 9-noon
J.Huneau AAU Girls Practice	CHS New Gym	Tues, 3/14 – 5/2, 7-9pm
WSeldon AAU Girls Practice	HH Gym	Mon, Tue & Thurs 6-8pm
City Basketball Tournament	CHS New Gym	Sat&Sun, 6/10-11, 8-5pm
City Karate Camp	CMS Gym	Fri, 4/1–6/30, 6-7pm

E. THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$461.56 from Harmony Hill PTA for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students to visit the NYS Museum in Albany on June 7, 2017.

F. THAT the Board of Education **amends** the Budget in the amount of \$461.56 to cover transportation costs for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students to visit the NYS Museum in Albany on June 7, 2017.

G. THAT the Board of Education of the Cohoes City School District hereby approves the settlement agreement dated March 10, 2017 and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the same.

H. THAT the Board of Education approves the contract between the Cohoes City School District and the CSEA Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO, City of Cohoes SD Unit Albany County Local 801.

Effective: July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2020

I. THAT the Board of Education approves the contract between the Cohoes City School District and the Cohoes Principals Association.

Effective: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2020

J. THAT the Board of Education approves a contract with Hudson Valley Community College to use their facilities for Cohoes High School’s Graduation on June 24, 2017 and Rehearsal on June 23, 2017 at a cost of \$2,705.

K. THAT the Board of Education approves a contract with North Greenbush Common

School District, 476 North Greenbush Road, Rensselaer, New York in the amount of \$236.80 per student to provide health services for students residing in the Cohoes City School District and attending school within the North Greenbush School District during the 2016/17 school year.

- L. THAT the Board of Education grants permission to the Capital Region BOCES to dispose of obsolete/damaged textbooks that the district is required to provide to non-public schools as listed in Exhibit A (attached).

**ADDENDUM**

- M. THAT the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Cohoes City School District and the Cohoes Teachers’ Association.  
Effective: March 23, 2017 – June 30, 2017

**VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT – PERSONNEL**

**INSTRUCTIONAL**

- A. THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individuals to the Substitute Teacher and Tutor list:

Kristen Blaauboer	Taylor Medici
Erin Bridgers	Jean Pierre
Emily Deviddio	Hunter Reed
Eric Grabe	Sarah Sweet
Sarah Marquise	

Effective: March 30, 2017

- B. THAT the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Peter Merchant from his position as Long term English Teacher.

Effective: March 17, 2017

- C. THAT the Board of Education creates the following positions:

- 1.0 FTE Elementary (AIS) Teacher @ HHS
- 1.0 FTE Behavior Specialist @ CMS

Effective: March 30, 2017

- D. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Cohoes City School District appoints Katharine Bouchard to a temporary term in the tenure area of Elementary effective March 30, 2017 and expiring on June 30, 2017 on an emergency conditional basis. Ms. Bouchard’s Initial Certification in the area of Childhood (1-6) is pending.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this appointment is made on an emergency conditional basis and subject to of both a statement from Ms. Bouchard regarding criminal conviction(s) or pending criminal charges and the receipt of criminal

background clearance from the Commissioner of Education. Ms. Bouchards’ continued employment is specifically contingent upon the District’s receipt of notice from the Commissioner of Education that she is fully cleared for employment.

Katharine Bouchard

Position.....1.0 FTE Elementary Teacher (AIS) (HH)  
Certification.....Childhood (1-6) (pending)  
Tenure Area.....Elementary  
Effective Date.....March 30, 2017  
Tenure Date.....N/A  
Salary.....Step 1 of the current CTA Contract  
Reason.....BOE Newly Created (Community School Set Aside Funds)

**NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

E. THAT the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mark Charette from his position as Part-Time Safety Officer.

Effective: Immediately

F. THAT the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Alexandra Beaury from her position as 2016-2017 Boys Assistant Track Coach.

Effective: Immediately

**IX. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT - BUSINESS/FINANCE**

**X. FINANCIAL REPORTS (Recommended by the Superintendent)**

- A. I recommend that the following reports be accepted by the Board of Education:
  1. Warrants – February 2017
  2. Budget Transfer – January & February 2017
  3. Budget Status Reports – January & February 2017
  4. Bank Reconciliation Report – January & February 2017
  5. Extracurricular Activity Report - January 2017 & February 2017
  6. Internal Claims Audit Report – February

**BOARD ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** THAT the Board of Education removes **Item VII (I)** from March 29, 2017 consent agenda for consideration at an upcoming meeting.

Moved by: Mr. Baran  
All voted “Aye”

Seconded by: Mr. Nolin  
Motion carried 6-0

**MOTION:** THAT the Board of Education adopts the following Resolutions of the March 29, 2017 Agenda:

**VII (A-H and J-M); VIII (A-F) and X (A)**

Moved by: Mrs. Giller  
All voted “Aye”

Seconded by: Mr. Pascale  
Motion carried 6-0

**XI. INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION**

- A. THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$100 from the Polish American Association of Cohoes to be used for the Cohoes Middle School’s PBIS program.
- B. THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$270 from Lifetouch to be used for the Cohoes Middle School’s PBIS program.

**XII. COMMENTS FROM BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS**

**XIII. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM AUDIENCE**

**XIV. BOARD POLICY REVIEW**

**Third Reading**

- 2000 – Board Operational Goals
- 2100 – School Board Legal Status
- 2110 – School Board Powers and Duties
- 2120 – School Board Elections
- 2120.1 – Candidates and Campaigning
- 2120.2 – Voting Procedures
- 2150 – Filling Board Vacancies
- 2160 – School District Officer and Employee Code of Ethics
- 2210 – Board Reorganizational Meeting

**XV. DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

**April 12, 2017**, Regular Meeting, Cohoes Middle School Administration Center – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room at 6:00 p.m.

**April 25, 2017**, BOCES Annual Budget Vote & Board Election, Cohoes Middle School, Superintendent’s Conference Room, 8:00 a.m.-8:15 a.m.

**April 26, 2017**, Regular Meeting, Cohoes Middle School Library at 6:00 p.m.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board of Education enters into Executive Session at 8:51 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining with the Cohoes Principals’ Association.

Moved by: Mrs. Frangie  
All voted “Aye”

Seconded by: Mr. Nolin  
Motion carried 6-0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: TIME: 9:00 PM**

Present: Mr. Nolin  
Mrs. Frangie  
Mr. Baran  
Mr. Pascale  
Mrs. Giller  
Mr. McDonald

Excused: Mrs. Rizzo

Also Present: Dr. Jennifer Spring, Superintendent  
Ms. Peggy O’Shea, Assistant Superintendent for Education Services  
Mrs. Stacy Mackey, School Business Official

**DISCUSSION**

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** To adjourn at 9:22 p.m.

Moved by: Mr. Nolin  
All voted “Aye”

Seconded by: Mr. Baran  
Motion carried 6-0

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District Clerk

**Exhibit A - BOE MEETING 3-29-17  
COHOES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

<b>ISBN</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Publisher</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>QTY</b>
9780078241338	Journey Across Time - The Early Years	Glencoe	2005	1
9780328075690	People and Places Scott Foresman 2005	Scott Foresman	2005	1
9780395874899	Discovering French Blanc 2004	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	2004	1
9780673593061	Scott Foresman Science Gr 3 2000	Scott Foresman	2000	3
9780021476220	World Adventures In Time and Place Macmillan 1999	MacMillan McGraw Hill	1999	2
9780022800369	Science Gr 3 McGraw Hill 2002	MacMillan McGraw Hill	2002	1
9780022818883	Science Gr 1 NY Edition Macmillan 2005	MacMillan McGraw Hill	2005	1
9780026444538	Micro Mastery Keyboarding Glencoe 2000	Glencoe	2000	2
9780073385303	Punto Y Aparte	Glencoe	2011	1
9780076185696	Pre Transition Mathematics	Glencoe	0	1
9780078215919	Earth Science: Geology, The Environment & The Universe	Glencoe	2002	1
9780078226557	Writers Choice Gr 8 Glencoe 2001	Glencoe	2001	1
9780078241338	Journey Across Time - The Early Years	Glencoe	2005	2
9780078609800	The American Journey	Glencoe	0	2
9780078619700	Buen Viaje 2 Glencoe 2005	Glencoe	2005	1
9780078743894	The American Journey	Glencoe	2007	1
9780078884986	Algebra 1 NY Ed Glencoe 2009	Glencoe	2009	1
9780130359667	Realidades A Prentice Hall 2004	Prentice Hall	2004	1
9780130359674	Realidades B Prentice Hall 2004	Prentice Hall	2004	5
9780130506214	Life Science Science Explorer 2001	Prentice Hall	2001	2
9780130631633	Biology For NYS	Prentice Hall	2003	1
9780130943347	Astronomy Today 4th Ed	Prentice Hall	2002	3
9780131719507	Criminal Justice Today	Prentice Hall	0	5
9780131846616	Physics, 6th Edition	Prentice Hall	2004	2
9780132256889	Precalculus 8th Edition	Prentice Hall	2007	1
9780153471278	Our Communities	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	0	2
9780205543014	Public Speaking An Audience Centered Approach 7th Ed	Prentice Hall	2009	2
9780328037865	New York Scott Foresman	Scott Foresman	2004	3
9780328038978	Passport To World Communities (Maps and Wkbk) Scott Foresman 2005	Scott Foresman	2005	1
9780328075720	United States Scott Foresman 2005	Scott Foresman	2005	1
9780328154425	Scott Foresman Science Gr 2 NY Ed 2006	Scott Foresman	2006	3
9780328154432	Scott Foresman Science Gr 3 NY Ed 2006	Scott Foresman	2006	2
9780328154456	Scott Foresman Science Gr 5 NY Ed 2006	Scott Foresman	2006	3
9780328154463	Scott Foresman Science Gr 6 NY Ed 2006	Scott Foresman	0	1
9780328306909	Scott Foresman Science Gr 1 NY Ed	Scott Foresman	2008	1
9780328306947	Scott Foresman Science Gr 5 NY Ed	Scott Foresman	2009	2
9780382345043	The Music Connection Gr 5 Silver Burdett 2000	Prentice Hall	2000	1
9780382345050	The Music Connection Gr 6 Silver Burdett 2000 Century Ed	Prentice Hall	2000	1
9780547399089	World Communities Now and Long Ago	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	0	3
9780663522842	Wind By The Sea	Prentice Hall	1991	1
9780669518047	Write Source Gr 2	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	2006	1



**Exhibit A - BOE MEETING 3-29-17  
COHOES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

<b>ISBN</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Publisher</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>QTY</b>
9780673593047	Scott Foresman Science Gr 1 2000	Supplemental Scott Foresman	2000	1
9780673593085	Scott Foresman Science Gr 5 2000	Scott Foresman	0	1
9780673596383	Scott Foresman Reading Gr 1.3 Let'S Learn Together 2000	Scott Foresman	0	3
9780673596413	Scott Foresman Reading Gr 2.1 New Beginnings 2000	Scott Foresman	2000	1
9780673596437	Scott Foresman Reading Gr 3.1 Imagine That 2000	Scott Foresman	3	2
9780673596444	Scott Foresman Reading Gr 3.2 Picture This 2000	Scott Foresman	3	1
9780673596758	Scott Foresman Reading Gr 1.6 Surprise Me 2000	Scott Foresman	0	1
9780805365665	Biology Campbell 5th Ed.	Scott Foresman	1999	1
9780805366341	Biology Study Guide Addison Wesley 6th Ed	Scott Foresman	0	1
9781567655858	Integrated Algebra 1 Amsco	AMSCO	2007	1
9781567657029	Algebra 2 and Trigonometry Amsco	AMSCO	2009	1
9781594512704	A Contemporary Introduction To Sociology	EMC Paradigm	0	2
9781605760988	Descubre Level 3 2011	Vista Higher Learning	2008	1