

<u>July 10, 2014</u> Date	<u>Reorganization</u> Kind of Meeting	<u>Windham School</u> Where held	Barbara Agostinoni, Clerk of the Board, and <u>Drew Shuster</u> Presiding Officer
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<u>Members Present:</u> Debra Bunce William Haltermann Drew Shuster Teri Martin John Wiktorko, Superintendent of Schools Michelle Mattice, Treasurer Barbara Agostinoni, Clerk of the Board	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Others Present:</u> Susan Simpfenderfer Tara Weiman Mag Scarey David Langdon Michelle Carr (Windham Jour)
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The Board Clerk, Barbara Agostinoni, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Ms. Agostinoni administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board Member, William Haltermann.

Oath of office for Haltermann

On a motion by William Haltermann, Drew Shuster was nominated for President of the Board of Education for the 2014-2015 school year, and there being no other nominations, Teri Martin seconded the motion.

Election of Officers

Yes – Martin, Haltermann, Bunce, Shuster
No - 0

Motion Carried

On a motion by Debra Bunce, Teri Martin was nominated for Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2014-2015 school year, and there being no other nominations, William Haltermann seconded the motion.

Yes – Shuster, Bunce, Haltermann, Martin
No - 0

Motion Carried

The Board Clerk, Ms. Agostinoni, administered the Oath of Office to elected officers.

Oaths of Office Given

Mr. Shuster, elected President of the Board of Education, took the chair.

On a motion by Teri Martin, second by William Haltermann, and carried by those present, the following Officers were appointed for the 2014-2015 school year:

- School District Clerk-Barbara Agostinoni
- School District Treasurer–Michelle Mattice
- Deputy Treasurer–John Wiktorko
- School District Tax Collector- Dawn Hitchcock

Officer Appointments

The Board Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Mattice and Mr. Wiktorko. The Oath will be administered to Ms. Hitchcock in the near future.

Mr. Shuster administered the Oath of Office to Barbara Agostinoni, the District Clerk.

On a motion by William Haltermann and second by Teri Martin, the Consent Agenda Items 1(a) through 4(h) were approved.

1. Other Appointments:

- a. School Physician-Dr. Jacqueline Maier; Alternate-Dr. Teri Martin
- b. School Attorney- Girvin & Ferlazzo, P.C. Attorneys at Law, Albany, New York
- c. School Census Taker- Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate, the Building Principal
- d. Central Treasurer of Extra-Curricular Activity Fund – Melissa Palumbo

Other Appointments

- e. Comptroller for Extra-Curricular Activity Fund- Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate, the Building Principal
- f. Attendance Officer- Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate, the Building Principal
- g. Auditor of School Accounts-Alexander Varga, CPA of Catskill
- h. Internal Claims Auditor-Christine Thorington
- i. Assistant Internal Claims Auditor – Barbara Agostinoni
- j. Payroll Clerk-Michelle Mattice
- k. Complaint Officer- Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate, the Building Principal
- l. Records Access Officer-Barbara Agostinoni
- m. Records Management Officer- Barbara Agostinoni
- n. LEA Asbestos Designee/Chemical Hygiene Officer-John Mattice
- o. District Civil Service Appointment Officer-Michelle Mattice
- p. Capital Assets Preservation Program Coordinator-John Mattice
- q. 504 Compliance Officer – Kerry Overbaugh
- r. Board of Registration-Lola Hoyt, Laura Blanden, Joanne Conlin and up to 3 representatives from the Greene County Board of Election as deemed necessary by the Board of Education.
- s. Board member to serve on Executive Committee of the Greene County School Boards Association-William Haltermann
- t. Liaison for Homeless Children and Youth – Janna Morrison
- u. Educational Official to receive court notification regarding a student's sentence/adjudication in certain criminal cases and juvenile delinquency proceedings- John Wiktorko
- v. Medicaid Compliance Officer – Michelle Mattice
- w. Coordinator for the Dignity Act – Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate-Building Principal

2. Designations:

- a. Official Bank Depositories as listed within the District Investment Policy: Key Bank, First Niagara, The Bank of Greene County, JP Morgan Chase and The National Bank of Coxsackie
- a. BOE Regular Meeting Dates-2nd Thursday of every month except the Regular May meeting being set as the 1st Thursday after the Annual Meeting Budget vote.
- b. Newspapers-Windham Journal and The Daily Mail
- c. Bus Drivers and Sub Drivers Physicals – No later than August 31, 2014
- d. Radio-WRIP; TV and Radio-School Closing Network
- e. Mileage reimbursement at the current rate as established by the IRS

Designations

3. Authorizations:

- a. Chief School Officer to Certify Payrolls-John Wiktorko
- b. Deputy Signer for Certification of Payroll- Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate, the Building Principal
- c. School Purchasing Agent- John Wiktorko
- d. Authorized Signature on Checks for Funds-Michelle Mattice
- e. Deputy Authorized Signature on Checks for Funds-John Wiktorko
- f. Authorized Signatures on Checks for Extra-classroom Activity Funds- Melissa Palumbo and Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
- g. Authorization to Approve Budget Transfers up to \$1,000-John Wiktorko
- h. Authorization of Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$100-Barbara Agostinoni
- i. Authorization to apply for Grants in Aid (State and Federal)-John Wiktorko
- j. Approval for attendance of staff to conferences-John Wiktorko
- k. Board authorizes the payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services (including electric, gas, water, sewer and the telephone/cell services), postage and freight, and express charges, with all such claims being presented at the next regular Board meeting for audit, and the claimant and the officer incurring or approving the claim jointly and severally liable for any amount not allowed by the School Board (General Municipal Law §1774(3), 2524(2))

Authorizations

4. Other Additions:

- a. Adoption of all Board Policies that are in place as of this date

Other Additions

- b. Approval of the following Committees: Audit Finance Committee (William Haltermann-Chair, Drew Shuster, George Telles, Susan Simpfenderfer, David Langdon), Board Capital Project Committee (Drew Shuster-Chair, John Wiktoro, Construction Manager), Academic Committee (Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, William Haltermann, Teri Martin, Bridget Pelham, Alex Neelin, Debra Bunce, Susan Simpfenderfer, Tara Weiman, Amy Moore, Mike Porter), District Health & Safety Committee (John Wiktoro, John Mattice, Michelle Mattice, Representative of the WAJ Teacher's Assn., Representative of the WAJ Non-Instructional Support Assn., Construction Manager and the Building Principal), Long Range Planning Committee (William Haltermann-Chair, Debra Bunce and Drew Shuster, John Wiktoro).
- c. Acceptance of existing Substitute Lists for teachers/tutors, teacher assistants, aides, bus drivers, bus aides and nurses
- d. Approval of list of Impartial Hearing Officers as provided by the State Education Department
- e. Title IX Compliance Officer –Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction; Alternate, the Building Principal
- f. Adoption of GASB 34 accounting practices threshold to be set at \$1,000.00 for depreciation.
- g. CSE Committee:
 - (1) The parent(s) or persons in parental relationship to the student.
 - (2) The regular education teacher of the student, whenever the student is or may be participating in the regular education environment.
 - (3) A special education teacher of the student, or a special education provider, if appropriate.
 - (4) The school psychologist – Janna Morrison
 - (5) CSE Chairperson – Janna Morrison
 - (6) Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student, including related services personnel as appropriate, as the school district or the parent(s) shall designate, including school counselors Nicole Baldner and Michael Pellettier
 - (7) If appropriate, the student
 - (8) Special Education Teachers-David McQueen, Bridget Pelham, Michelle Beaumont, Emily Lacombe
 - (9) School Physician-Dr. Jacqueline Maier
 - (10) Parent Representatives - Cynthia Telles or Cathy Stang
 - (11) Recording Secretary – The Confidential Secretary for Student Support Services or Chrissy Thorington or Barbara Agostinoni

Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE):

- (1) Parents or legal guardian of the preschool child.
- (2) CSE Chairperson – Janna Morrison
- (3) Regular education representatives – Christine Corrigan, Melody Coughlin
- (4) Parent Representatives – Cynthia Telles or Cathy Stang
- (5) Other persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the child, including related services personnel as appropriate that the school district designates.
- (6) For a child in transition from early intervention programs and services, the appropriate professional designated by the agency that has been charged with the responsibility for the preschool child.
- (7) A representative of the municipality of the preschool child's residence, provided that the attendance of the appointee of the municipality shall not be required for a quorum. (Lauren Clark, Municipal Representative).
- (8) Recording Secretary – the Confidential Secretary for Student Support Services or Chrissy Thorington or Barbara Agostinoni

Sub-Committee on Special Education:

- (1) The parent(s) of the student.
- (2) One regular education teacher of the student whenever the student is or may be participating in the regular education environment.
- (3) The student's special education teacher or, if appropriate, special education provider of the student.
- (4) CSE Chairperson – Janna Morrison

- (5) Persons having knowledge or special expertise regarding the student, including related services personnel as appropriate.
- (6) The student, if appropriate.

h. CSE/CPSE Surrogate Parents- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pelham.

The Clerk of the Board took a roll call for approval of the above Consent Agenda as follows:

Yes – Haltermann, Bunce, Shuster, Martin
 No - 0

Motion Carried

Reorg
 Consent
 Agenda
 Roll
 Call

The Board began the regular monthly meeting calling for public comments. There were none.

Public
 Comments

The next item of business was the Consent Agenda for Items 1(i) through 2(bvii).

Mr. Haltermann asked that Item 1i be removed from the consent agenda and voted on separately. On motion by William Haltermann and second by Debra Bunce, the Consent Agenda Items 1(ii) through 2(bvii) were approved.

Regular
 Meeting
 Consent
 Agenda

1) Routine Matters

- i. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 27, 2014. (Not part of consent agenda)
- ii. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Audit Finance Committee, the Board approves the Treasurer’s Report for June 2014.
- iii. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Audit finance Committee, the Board approves the Bill Schedule for July 2014 as presented:
 General Fund: Ck #43128 - #43174 totaling \$302,775.87
- iv. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Audit Finance Committee, the Board approves the Superintendent’s Transfers for July 2014 as presented.

Routine
 Matters

2) Personnel

- i. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board does hereby appoint, Sharon Quinn as a long-term, 0.5 basis Elementary Art Teacher for the 2014-2015 school year effective September 1, 2014 and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that she will be paid on Step 17 as per the WAJ Teachers’ Association Contract.
- ii. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Amy Bentley, French Teacher, effective August 31, 2014.
- iii. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board rescinds the appointment (May 29, 2014) of Nicole Peets to a three (3) year probationary teaching position as a teacher of Spanish and Music in the Foreign Language and Music tenure areas, respectively, effective September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2017.
- iv. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following individuals to the following extra-curricular positions for the 2014-2015 school year pending a Clearance of Appointment:
 Athletic Director – Joel Middleton

Quinn App’t

Bentley
 Resignation

Peets
 Rescind

AD-Middleton

3) Other

- i. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the recommendation from the Committee on Special Education, Committee on Pre-School Special Education and the Americans with Disability Act, Section 504 for student #’s:1247, 1081, 1314, 0911, 0522, 1331

CSE/SPSE

- ii. **RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the Windham-Ashland-Jewett Central School District, that the authority of the Board of Education pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 556 with respect to refunds and credits of real property taxes paid in the case of clerical error, unlawful entry, or error in essential fact, is hereby delegated to the Treasurer, upon audit by the internal auditor and reviewed by the Superintendent, where the recommended refund or credit is \$2,500 or less: and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that applications for refund of taxes based upon a change in assessment by final order of a court in any tax certiorari proceeding, pursuant to §726 of the Real Property Tax Law, is delegated to the treasurer upon audit by the internal auditor, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Treasurer shall report monthly to the Board any and all refunds made during the prior month; **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately and remain in effect during this calendar year, and shall be submitted to the Board in January annually for consideration of renewal. Tax Credits, Refunds

- iii. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board designates Christine Thorington to carry out the required duties of the District Clerk when necessitated by the unavoidable absence or incapacitation of the District Clerk during the 2014-2015 school year. Alternate Clerk App't

- iv. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby establishes the attached as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by this official to the clerk of this body as presented under separate cover. Standard Work Days

- v. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board designates John Wiktoro, Superintendent, to represent the District on the governing Board of the Catskill Area Schools Employee Benefit Plan for the plan year beginning July 1, 2014 and the Board of Education designates Michelle Mattice, Business Manager/Treasurer to serve as the District's interim designee. CASEBP Rep

- vi. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts Chartwell's Food Safety Plan as approved annually. Food Safety Plan

- vii. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the basic student breakfast meal price to be set at \$1.10, the basic student lunch meal price to be set at \$1.85 and the adult meal price to be set at \$3.45 plus tax as mandated by the Child Nutrition Program of the State Education Department for the 2014-2015 school year. Meal Prices
Yes - Haltermann, Bunce, Shuster, Martin Motion Carried
No – 0

Routine Matters

- i. **RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 27, 2014. (Not part of consent agenda). Yes – 3, No – 0, Abstain – 1 (Haltermann). Motion Carried. Spec mtg Minutes

Mr. Shuster called for public comments. There were none.

RESOLVED, that the Board go into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the applicants for appointment to the vacant board seat, collective bargaining, and the Superintendent's evaluation on motion by William Haltermann, second by Debra Bunce, and carried by those present. Executive Session

The items discussed during the Executive Session will be made public as appropriate at future meetings of the Board of Education.

The Board reconvened into regular session at 9:25 p.m. on motion by Teri Martin, second by Debra Bunce, and carried by those present.

RESOLVED, the Board appoints AJ Savasta to the vacant seat on the Windham-Ashland-Jewett Central School District Board of Education, the term to be effective immediately and terminating on May 19, 2015, at which time the seat will be filled by a candidate elected at the Annual Budget Vote and Election of Board Members meeting on motion by Debra Bunce, second by Teri Martin and carried by those present.

Savasta
appointment

The Board discussed strategic planning and a Board Retreat was scheduled for August 7, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m. on motion by Teri Martin, second by Debra Bunce, and carried by those present.

Adjourn-
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Barbara Agostinoni, Clerk of the Board

John Wiktorko, Clerk ProTem