

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

*Ossining, NY*

**Regular Meeting/Executive Session  
Roosevelt Education Center**

**April 24, 2007  
Executive Session: 6:45 p.m.  
Regular Meeting: 7:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Ms. Shandi Speller, *President*; Ms. Miki Weiss, *Vice President*; Ms. Amanda Curley, Ms. Alice Joselow, Mr. Irwin J. Kavy, Ms. Dana Levenberg

**Others**

**Present:** Dr. Robert J. Roelle, *Superintendent of Schools*; Dr. Phyllis Glassman, *Deputy Superintendent*; Mr. Raymond Sanchez, *Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education and Human Resources*; Ms. Linda Carpenter, *Executive Director for Finance and Operations*

**Absent:** Mr. Robert Wolf (out of Country)

**I. Call to Order – President**

Shandi Speller called the April 24, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Ossining Union Free School District Board of Education to order at 6:50 p.m.

**II. Motion to Enter into Executive Session**

Irwin J. Kavy moved and Amanda Curley seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a student appeal and personnel matters.

***Motion carried: 4--0***

Dana Levenberg arrived at 6:52 p.m.

Miki Weiss arrived at 6:55 p.m.

*No formal action was taken.*

**III. Motion to Reconvene the Regular Meeting**

At 7:50 p.m. Irwin J. Kavy moved and Dana Levenberg seconded the motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2007.

***Motion carried: 6--0***

**IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Shandi Speller led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**V. Comments from Student Representative to the Board**

We are now in the fourth quarter of the 2006-2007 school year, APs are coming up in just over two weeks. Today was the first-ever Creative Writing Club Poetry Slam, spanning four periods throughout the school day. It was also national Shakespeare Day. In Science Research, five seniors have won scholarships from the Young Epidemiology Scholars, or YES, Competition: 2 finalists Rachel Stahl and Tina Liu, and 3

semifinalists Nathalie Tadena, Alex Levy, and Julia Hellmich. Semifinalists each won \$1,000 and finalists each won \$2,000 and competed in the four-day all-expenses-paid national competition in Washington D.C.

OHS music department won several awards during its trip to the Heritage Music Festival in Williamsburg, Virginia. The orchestra received a Silver Award and senior Andrea Randrup received the Maestro Award for being an outstanding soloist. The Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, and Chorus also showed their strength and received Bronze Awards.

The annual Senior Citizens Prom organized by the National Honor Society was held last Friday in the high school. Over 40 students helped out to make the prom an enjoyable time for the 90 seniors who came to have a good time. The juniors and seniors are already preparing for their proms—the junior prom is scheduled on May 11 and the Senior Prom on the May 18.

The Modern Language Honor Society induction ceremony was held yesterday, with over 70 students learning French, Italian, and Spanish receiving medals and certificates.

OHS Drama spring performances will be showing the Little Shop of Horrors on Thursday at 4, Friday at 7, Saturday at 7, and Sunday at 2. As always, the musical will be held in the auditorium and admission is free; so everyone is eagerly anticipating another success.

And the Interact Club is hosting its annual Stash the Trash drive this Saturday and will be scouring areas in Ossining for trash in its effort to contribute to environmental cleanliness.

In sports, we have seen huge turnouts for teams in all sports. We are also immensely enjoying the new facilities; the baseball team at the new AMD fields, and the track team held its first ever home-meet yesterday on our new track and is hosting another meet today. The girls' lacrosse team has won a few games. And our boys' tennis team is currently undefeated.

## **VI. Comments from PTA Council Representative to the Board**

None

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert J. Roelle introduced Deputy Superintendent Dr. Phyllis Glassman. At this time Agenda item A-7 was moved up. Dr. Glassman introduced Ms. Carol Ann Lee, Director of Technology and commended her for her exemplary leadership. Her accomplishments were acknowledged with a plaque in honor of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the District's "Long Range Plan for Technology: 2 – Ossining Wired for Learning (OWL)," which was adopted April 17, 1997. Ms. Lee has been instrumental in achieving the goals of the plan.

Alice Joselow moved and Miki Weiss seconded the motion to move Resolution A-7.

### **A-7 Resolution Recognizing Exemplary Leadership**

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Carol Ann Lee has provided visionary leadership in the area of technology on behalf of students, faculty, staff, administrators, parents/guardians, and the entire educational community at large; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Carol Ann Lee has worked collaboratively with colleagues to create a cutting edge 21<sup>st</sup> century technology plan for the Ossining School District; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Carol Ann Lee demonstrates an exemplary work ethic on behalf of students, staff, and the District at large; and

**WHEREAS**, the advances in technology promoted by Ms. Carol Ann Lee have enabled the District to support student success and positive Districtwide educational initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the commitment, dedication, efforts, and accomplishments of Ms. Carol Ann Lee reflect exemplary leadership;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the tenth anniversary of the "Long Range Plan for Technology: 2 – Ossining Wired for Learning [O.W.L.]" dated 17 April 1997, the leadership, vision, and accomplishments of Ms. Carol Ann Lee as Director of Technology are gratefully acknowledged and appreciated; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Ms. Carol Ann Lee be recognized for her talents in leading, inspiring, and achieving on behalf of students, staff, the Ossining School District, and the entire educational community of Ossining at large.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

## **VII. Work Session**

### ➤ *Energy Management Program (Energy Education, Inc.)*

Ms. Linda Carpenter Executive Director for Finance and Operations introduced Mr. Charles D. Fasnacht, III, President-Northeast Division, Energy Education, Inc. who provided a brief overview of the program.

The presentation was followed by Board questions.

The following audience member was recognized.

Sheri Muth, Iroquois Rd.

Irwin J. Kavy moved and Dana Levenberg seconded the motion to move Resolution C-13.

### **C-13 Resolution Regarding Agreement with Energy Consultant**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby appoints Energy Education, Inc. to provide an energy management program for the Ossining Union Free School District; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that said appointment is subject to a mutually agreeable formal written agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute such Agreement between the Board of Education and Energy Education, Inc.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

### ➤ *Special Education Programs (Goal #2.2)*

Deputy Superintendent Dr. Phyllis Glassman introduced Special Education consultant Ms. Karen Giek of the Prism Group, Inc. Ms. Giek's report can be found on our WebSite at [www.ossiningufsd.org](http://www.ossiningufsd.org)

This presentation was followed by Board questions.

The following audience members were recognized:

Debbie Goddard, Holbrook Road

Donna Hannan, Locust Road

Sheri Muth, Iroquois Road

## **VIII. Audience Recognition – Agenda Items Only**

None

## **IX. Regular Meeting**

Alice Joselow moved and Amanda Curley seconded the motion to move Resolutions A-1 through A-6, A-8 and A-9.

### **Section A – Business of the Board**

#### **A-1 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 21, 2007**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 21, 2007.

**A-2 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 11, 2007**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 11, 2007.

**A-3 Resolution Designating the Officials to Act at the Annual District Election**

**RESOLVED:** BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1:** *Gerard LaCroix* and *Mirla Morrison*, both qualified voters of the Ossining Union Free School District in the County of Westchester, New York, are hereby appointed to serve as the **CO-CHAIRPERSONS** of the Annual Meeting to be held in the Harvey Culp Gymnasium, Ossining High School, 29 South Highland Avenue, Ossining, New York, in the District on **Tuesday, May 15, 2007** and to perform such duties and to take such action as prescribed by Education Law.

**SECTION 2:** The following are hereby appointed to act as **INSPECTORS** of the Special District Meeting and to perform such duties and to take such action as prescribed by Education Law.

Feldman, Belle	Paolantonio, Emily
Galto, Marie	Raybin, Louise
Munroe, Ethel	Reilly, Catherine
Myers, Asja	Rubenstein, Regina
Nestor, Mary	Scott-Lenard, Alice
Osiason, Lea	Yost, Marian
Parisi, Rosemarie	

**SECTION 3:** The following are hereby appointed to act as **ASSISTANT CLERKS** of the Special District Meeting and to perform such duties and to take such action as prescribed by Education Law.

Beranato, Richard	Milioto, Toni
Carnes, Linnea	Olson, Catherine
Catalina, Maria	Primps, Mary (Bette)
DeStrange, Lucille	Reis, Nicole
Dias, Roberta	Schnapp, Peter
Edwards, Madeline	Schuster, Kim
Fancie, Jason	Shelton, Johnna
Fojanesi, Jessie	Singleton, Ruth
Golden, Robert	Timm-Austen, Stephanie
Greiter, Charles	White, Jeanne
Keemer, Pamela	Williams, Chloe
LaCroix, Priscilla	Williams, Eula
Marell, James	Wilson, Kelcey
Maynes, Valerie	Zambrano, Andrea
McCarthy, Richard	Zimmer, Alex

**A-4 Motion Regarding the BOCES Proposed 2007-2008 School Year Budget**

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Putnam/Northern Westchester County (hereinafter "BOCES") has proposed and presented its tentative administrative budget for the 2007-2008 school year (July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008), now therefore be it

**RESOLVED,** that the BOCES tentative administrative budget for the 2007-2008 school year in the amount of \$7,273,480 be, and hereby is, approved by this Board.

**A-5 Motion Regarding the Election of BOCES Board of Education Members**

**RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education of the Ossining Union Free School District in a Regular Meeting held on April 24, 2007 casts its vote for the candidates listed below to fill the two vacancies on the Putnam/Northern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES):

Mr. Thomas Knight  
Mrs. Joan Austin

**A-6 Motion to Acknowledge Receipt of the Audit Report “Special Education Report for the Ossining Union Free School District”**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, I move that the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the “Special Education Report for the Ossining Union Free School District” in accordance with the Board of Education Districtwide Goal of the 2006-2007 school year to review and audit all District Special Education Programs.

**A-8 Board of Education Members Attendance at Professional Meetings and Conferences – Revised**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education members on the following revised list should be authorized to attend professional conferences and meetings as noted; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that such Board members shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses not paid directly by the District for travel, hotel, meals and registration as appropriate.

<b>Additions:</b>			
Alice Joselow	April 27	NYSSBA The Functioning Audit Committee	12:30-4:45PM/ Crowne Plaza, White Plains
	May 10	NYSSBA New Directions for School Leadership & Accountability	8:30-1:30/Holiday Inn, Suffern, NY

**A-9 Memorandum of Agreement with The Guidance Center**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorize its President to sign the Memorandum of Agreement as presented.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

**Section B – Curriculum and Instruction**

Miki Weiss moved and Amanda Curley seconded the motion to move Resolution B-1.

**B-1 Motion to Accept the Recommended Placements of Special Education Students**

I move that the Board of Education accept the recommended classifications, placements and related services recommended in the IEP for students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education, Committee on Preschool Special Education and Sub-Committees on Special Education for meetings held on March 6, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 27 and 28, and April 10, 11, 13 and 18, and direct the administration to arrange for the appropriate placement as set forth.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

**Section C – Business Matters**

Amanda Curley moved and Irwin J. Kavy seconded the motion to move Resolutions C-1 through C-7, C-9 through C-12, C-14 through C-17.

**C-1 Motion to Approve Treasurer’s Report for the Month of February 2007**

I move that the Treasurer’s Report for the month of February 2007 be approved and placed on file with the District Clerk.

**C-2 Motion to Approve Budget Report for the Month of February 2007**

I move that the Board of Education approve the Budget Report of February 2007 as presented.

**C-3 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gift – Washington Mutual**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks the donation of \$74 from Washington Mutual for Claremont Elementary School, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the General Fund budget as listed below in this amount. The offsetting revenue shall be A-2705-000, “Gifts and Donations.”

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
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**C-4 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gifts - \$211 from Target**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks the gifts totaling \$211 given by Target and their *Take Charge of Education* Program, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the General Fund budget as detailed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A-2705-000, “Gifts and Donations.”

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the total amount of \$211 be appropriated to the following budget codes:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
A-2110-500-12-0000	\$42	Instructional Supplies – AMD
A-2110-500-13-0000	25	Instructional Supplies – Brookside
A-2110-500-14-0000	28	Instructional Supplies – Claremont
A-2110-500-15-0000	116	Instructional Supplies – Park

**C-5 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gift - \$500 from Mr. Dan Milch**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks the donation of \$500 from Mr. Dan Milch, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby defers this revenue to the 2007-08 fiscal year. At that time, this money will be used as follows:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
A-2110-500-13-0000	\$500	Brookside Instructional Supplies

**C-6 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gift to First Steps – Mr. Swope**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks a gift in the amount of \$25,000 from David Swope for use with the First Steps program, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the First Steps budget in this amount. The funds will be accounted for in the Special Aid Fund. The offsetting revenue shall be FST3-2770-000, “Revenue from Local Sources.”

**C-7 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gift to First Steps – Frog Rock Foundation**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks a gift in the amount of \$70,000 from The Frog Rock Foundation for use with the First Steps program, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the First Steps budget in this amount. The funds will be accounted for in the Special Aid Fund. The offsetting revenue shall be FST3-2770-000, “Revenue from Local Sources.”

**C-9 Resolution Regarding BOCES Joint Bids for Supplies**

**WHEREAS,** it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services to adopt this Resolution to bid jointly on those supplies, commodities, materials and equipment set forth below.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Ossining Union Free School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Educational Services, Westchester County, New York adopting this in the joint bidding of office supplies, fine paper supplies, audio visual supplies and equipment, laser and ink jet toners, microcomputer hardware and software, and office and classroom furniture.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this Resolution shall remain in effect until June 30, 2008 and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other participating school districts in Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said Commodities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the invitation to be will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 to the General Municipal Law.

**C-10 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Bid – Scissor Lift**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby awards the bid for the 2006-07 self-propelled scissor lift to the lowest responsible bidder, Independent Aerial Equipment, in the amount of \$20,495.

**C-11 Resolution Regarding Authorization of Tax Anticipation Notes**

**RESOLVED,** by the Board Of Education of Ossining Union Free School District, in the County of Westchester, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of Ossining Union Free School District, in the County of Westchester, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$5,000,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The Notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008, and the proceeds of the Notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.

(b) The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.

(c) The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.

(d) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute arbitrage certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District, and shall have the corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted thereon which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**C-12 Resolution Regarding IPA with Southern Westchester BOCES**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education empowers and directs the President to execute the attached Installment Purchase Agreement with Southern Westchester BOCES.

**C-14 Resolution Regarding Interfund Transfer Within 2006-07 Budget**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute this interfund transfer within the 2006-07 budget in the amount of \$5,207 as specified below.

From Code: A-1620-521-00-0000 Program Improvements

To Code: A-1620-426-00-0000 Rentals

Amount: \$5,207

Explanation: This transfer will cover expenditures for increased graduation rental costs due to change of venue.

**C-15 Resolution Regarding Renewal of Agreement For Use of Ossining Village Fuel Pumps**

**RESOLVED:** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby approves the renewal of the agreement between the Ossining Union Free School District and the Village of Ossining for the use of the Village's fuel facilities.

**C-16 Resolution Regarding NYSED Report Card – Property Tax**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the New York State Property Tax Report Card for the 2007-08 school year. It is also recommended that this report be made available for public review.

**C-17 Resolution Regarding Amendment of the Class of 1951 Award**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby agrees to amend the Class of 1951 Award to state that the monies given in the first award to the Ossining High School Class of 2007 be changed from \$100 to \$200.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

Miki Weiss moved and Dana Levenberg seconded the motion to move Resolution C-8.

**C-8 Resolution Regarding Establishment of the Bruce A. Fiorito, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Italian Language Award**

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education hereby accepts an initial gift in the amount of \$5,000 to be used to establish the Bruce A. Fiorito, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Italian Language Award

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the gift be administered in accordance with the attached agreement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the President of the Board of Education is hereby empowered and directed to execute the aforesaid agreement.

*Motion carried: 5—0  
Irwin J. Kavy Abstained*

**C-18 Claims Audited and Paid – For Information Only**

**Section D - Personnel Matters**

Irwin J. Kavy moved and Amanda Curley seconded the motion to moved Resolutions D-1 through D-7.

**D-1 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Resignation**

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation of the professional staff member so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Category or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Current Hire Date</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Current Appt. Status</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Rebecca Lawer	AMD	Speech Remedial	9/1/06	8/31/07	Perm. Speech & Hearing Hand.	Resignation

**D-1a Resolution Regarding a Civil Service Termination**

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the termination of the Civil Service staff member so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Category or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Current Hire Date</i>	<i>Eff. Date of Term.</i>	<i>Current Appt. Status</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Charlotte Lanza	Roosevelt	LPN	9/1/06	5/24/07	Probationary	Termination

**D-2 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointments**

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the professional staff appointments so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Tenure Area</i>	<i>Certif. Status</i>	<i>Degree Status</i>	<i>Step</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Appt. Type</i>	<i>% Time</i>	<i>Effect. Date</i>	<i>Expir. Date</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Fund Source</i>
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Robert Pezanowski	Industrial Arts	Perm. Technology Education	MA	15	115.79/Period	Temporary	N/A	4/17/07	TBD	AMD	General
Elizabeth Garcia	English 7-12	Perm. English 7-12	MA	5	67.976	Probationary	100%	9/1/07	8/31/09	OHS	General

### D-3 Resolution Regarding a Support Staff Appointment

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the support staff appointments so noted.

Name	Cert. Status	Job Title	Building	Step	Salary	% Time	Fund Source	Effect. Date	Expir. Date
Tracy DeFreitas	Pending Level I TA Certification	Teaching Assistant	AMD	1	17,815	100%	General	4/30/07	6/30/07

### D-4 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointments – Before School Program

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the professional staff appointments so noted.

Name	Cert. Status	Step	Salary	Appt Type	Building/Program	Time	Effect. Date	Expir. Date
Cynthia Bardwell	Initial Students with Disabilities	N-6, 1	40.47/Hr.	Annual	<b>BROOKSIDE</b> Before School ELA Academy	1 Hr./ 2 Days/Wk.	4/23/07	6/6/07
Rhonda Manus	Perm. Special Education	1	40.47/Hr.	Annual	Before School ELA Academy	1 Hr./ 2 Days/Wk.	4/23/07	6/6/07
Sudha Narsipur	Perm. Media Specialist	School 1	40.47/Hr.	Annual	Before School ELA Academy	1 Hr./ 2 Days/Wk.	4/23/07	6/6/07
Carrieann Sipos	Perm N-6	5	57.47/Hr.	Annual	Before School ELA Academy	1 Hr./ 2 Days/Wk.	4/23/07	6/6/07

### D-5 Resolution Regarding Per Diem Substitute Teacher Removals

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the removal of the Per Diem Substitute teachers so noted.

Cert.	LN	FN
C	Forero	Lisa
NC	Delgado	Joseph

### D-6 Resolution Regarding Per Diem Substitute Teacher Appointments

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Per Diem Substitute teacher appointments for the persons so noted.

Cert.	LN	FN	Note
C	Burns	Edward	K-Gr. 12
C	Conner	Cara	PARK SCHOOL ONLY
NC	Carnes	John	K-Gr. 12
NC	Dubinsky	Megan	Pre-K - Grade 8
NC	Giuliani	Christine	Pre-K-Gr. 5
NC	La Morte	Angela	Pre-K - Grade 5
NC	Lorenz	Maria Theresa	TA Sub. Pre-K - Gr. 5
NC	McWilliams	Catherine	Pre-K - Grade 3

### D-7 Resolution Regarding a Support Staff Request for Leave of Absence

I move that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education

approve the leave of absence for the Teaching Assistant so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Category or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Leave Start</i>	<i>Leave End</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Cara Conner	Park	Teaching Assistant with Initial Early Childhood Educ. certification	4/9/07	6/30/07	Personal Leave	Ms. Conner is taking a leave from her TA position to serve as a per diem substitute teacher leave replacement

***Motion carried: 6--0***

### **D-8 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Requests for Leave of Absence – For Information Only**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Category or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Leave Start</i>	<i>Leave End</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Michelle Lebenberg	Park	Speech Remedial	9/1/07	8/31/08	Child Rearing Leave	Ms. Lebenberg is currently serving in a part-time position at Park School
Amanda Giorgio	Brookside	K-6	3/26/07	6/22/07	FMLA Leave	None
Jonna Hammond	Park	K-6	4/9/07	6/22/07	FMLA Leave	None
Nancy Hopkins	Park	K-6	4/9/07	6/22/07	FMLA Leave	None
Dawn Kessler-Reimer	OHS	Special Education	5/10/07	8/31/07	Child Rearing Leave	None

### **X. Audience Recognition**

None

### **XI. Board Committee/Liaison Reports and Board Dialogue**

Amanda Curley commented on the NSBA Conference in San Francisco was an exceptional experience. It was an opportunity to be among peers with the same goals; a confirmation of what we are doing here. She visited the Galileo High School of Science and Technology. Technology turned the school around. The Ossining District presentation and Samantha Banton's performance were excellent. Thank you to Ray Sanchez for extending his assistance to all of the Ossining attendees.

Miki Weiss commented on the honor of being part of the Ossining presentation at the NSBA Conference and complimented both Ray Sanchez and Martin McDonald. Ms. Weiss also commented on the importance of policy here in Ossining - , it is a long ongoing-process and the Long Range Plan. Samantha Banton was outstanding. Ms. Weiss also thanked the students and staff for the Senior Citizens' Prom and reminded everyone that the OHS Theater "Little Shop of Horrors" was scheduled for the upcoming weekend.

Alice Joselow commented on the visit of the Monticello School District. The success of Project Earthquake is a credit to Martin McDonald.

Dana Levenberg thanked Dr. Roelle for his efforts in Washington, D.C. and also thanked Ray Sanchez, Martin McDonald, Miki Weiss and Amanda Curley for representing Ossining in San Francisco and asked that Dr. Roelle present a brief report on his trip to Washington, D.C. at an upcoming Board meeting which is scheduled for May 8, 2007.

Irwin Kavy commented on his meeting with eleven out of 12 Parent Groups. The Landmark Diner staff was very gracious and that the meeting with the Parent Groups was a good start. It was the first of many steps.

Alice Joselow commented on the meeting regarding the President's Initiatives for Staff Development was scheduled for tomorrow from 5:00-7:00 PM in the Cheever Reading Room of the Public Library. There is a presentation regarding "Teens, Parents, Alcohol and the Law" on April 30 and Ms. Joselow extended a Community wide invitation to the empowerment training on June 1.

Irwin Kavy commented on the first Baseball game on our new field at AMD. Jim Dennett threw out the first pitch. Yesterday was the first ever home Track and Field Meet in three decades; a second track meet was scheduled for today. Mr. Kavy also commented on the Monticello School District visit, the Senior Citizens' Prom was very well run – there was a lot more energy. Mr. Kavy asked the Board to consider Martin McDonald's offer to videotape Board dialogue. It was determined that this topic would be addressed at the next Work Session on May 8, 2007.

Dana Levenberg commented on the outcomes of the Intermunicipal meetings: sharing of services. A highlight was ELA night at AMD was phenomenal; thank you to Ray for the looping survey; review of Staff Development in the future.

**XII. Motion Made to Enter into Executive Session**

At 10:53 p.m. Irwin J. Kavy moved and Miki Weiss seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a student appeal and personnel matters.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

*No formal action was taken.*

**IV. Motion to Reconvene the Regular Meeting**

At 11:30 p.m. Irwin J. Kavy moved and Amanda Curley seconded the motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2007.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

**V. Adjournment**

At 11:30 p.m. Irwin J. Kavy moved and Amanda Curley seconded the motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of April 24, 2007.

*Motion carried: 6--0*

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Kathleen M. Beirne  
District Clerk