

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

Ossining, NY

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

**26 April 2011
Regular Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
Executive Session: Immediately Following**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – President**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Comments from Student Representative to the Board**
- IV. Comments from PTA Council**
- V. Work Session**

- *“Did You Know That...?” and “We Are Proud That....”*
- *Long Range Plan: Update*

<i>Audience Recognition – Members of the audience will be invited to comment or raise questions regarding the above topics following each of the above-identified Work Session topics.</i>
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- VI. Audience Recognition – Agenda Items Only**
- VII. Regular Meeting**

Section A – Business of the Board

A-1 Resolution Designating the Members of the Board of Registration for the Purpose of Personal Voter Registration at Each School Building

I move that the Board of Education designate the following individuals as members of the Ossining Union Free School District Board of Registration for the purpose of personal registration at the following school buildings:

Park School – Gloria Planamenta
Park School – Marcela Levin
Brookside School – Clara Boucher
Claremont School – Helen Miller
Anne M. Dorner Middle School – Christine Pointer
Ossining High School – Karen Juliano
Ossining High School – Elena Mondello
Roosevelt School/District Office – Joan Failla

A-2 Motion Regarding the BOCES Proposed 2011-2012 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 2011-2012 school year (July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOCES tentative administrative budget for the 2011-2012 school year in the amount of \$8,444,265 be, and hereby is, approved by this Board.

A-3 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 26 April 2011 casts its vote for the candidates listed below to fill the two vacancies on the Putnam/Northern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES):

Mrs. Anita Feldman
Mr. Richard Kreps

A-4 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 23 March 2011

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 23 March 2011.

A-5 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Special District Meeting Bond Referendum of 4 April 2011

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special District Meeting Bond Referendum of 4 April 2011.

A-6 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Work Session and Special Meeting of 6 April 2011

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Work Session and Special Meeting of 6 April 2011.

A-7 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Work Session and Special Meeting of 13 April 2011

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Work Session and Special Meeting of 13 April 2011.

A-8 Resolution Appointing Additional Consultants for the 2010-2011 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to engage the services of the following consultants for the 2010-2011 school year at a fee not to exceed the amount noted below.

<i>Name of Consultant</i>	<i>Brief Description of Expertise</i>	<i>Descriptive Need for Consultant</i>	<i>Consultation Fee</i>
Clay Art Center	Ms. Ariel Plantz is a ceramic teaching artist with the Clay Art Center	To immerse kindergarten students in the artistic process, promote literacy development and support academic content learning by assisting students in the installation of a ceramic mosaic mural at Park School which will integrate themes of nature and literature.	Revised - Not to exceed \$5,000 [\$2,500 – General Fund Revised - Additional \$1,210] [\$2,500 – Arts Westchester Grant]
Erin Baker (Teatown Lake Reservation)	Ms. Erin Baker is an Animal Care Supervisor at Teatown Lake Reservation. She holds a Masters of Wildlife/Biology.	The Hudson Valley Wildlife Program will provide background knowledge and vocabulary to support non-fiction reading and to enhance literacy for Brookside students.	Not to exceed \$200 [Title I Grant]

A-9 Motion to Revise Policies # 5000 “Student Policies Goals,” 5100 “Student Attendance: Comprehensive Attendance Policy,” 5130 “Compulsory Attendance Ages,” 5140 “Entrance Age,” 5152 “Admission of Non-Resident Students,” 5152.1 “Admission of Foreign Students,” 5152.1-R “Admission of Foreign Students Regulation,” 5154 “Assignment of Students to Classes,” 5155 “Student Withdrawal from School,” 5160 “Student Absences and Excuses,” 5160-E “Student Absences and Excuses Exhibit,” 5161 “Truancy and Tardiness,” 5170 “Student Attendance Accounting,” 5170-R “Student Attendance Accounting Regulation,” 5191 “Students with HIV-Related Illness,” 5191-R “Students with

HIV-Related Illness Regulation,” 5191-E “Students with HIV-Related Illness Exhibit,” and 5405 “Local Wellness Policy” as *First Readings*

I move that the Board of Education adopt the following revised # 5000 “Student Policies Goals,” 5100 “Student Attendance: Comprehensive Attendance Policy,” 5130 “Compulsory Attendance Ages,” 5140 “Entrance Age,” 5152 “Admission of Non-Resident Students,” 5152.1 “Admission of Foreign Students,” 5152.1-R “Admission of Foreign Students Regulation,” 5154 “Assignment of Students to Classes,” 5155 “Student Withdrawal from School,” 5160 “Student Absences and Excuses,” 5160-E “Student Absences and Excuses Exhibit,” 5161 “Truancy and Tardiness,” 5170 “Student Attendance Accounting,” 5170-R “Student Attendance Accounting Regulation,” 5191 “Students with HIV-Related Illness,” 5191-R “Students with HIV-Related Illness Regulation,” 5191-E “Students with HIV-Related Illness Exhibit,” and 5405 “Local Wellness Policy” as *First Readings*.

A-10 Motion to Adopt Revised Policy # 6850 “Cellular Telephones” as a *First Reading*

I move that the Board of Education adopt revised Policy and Regulation #6850 “Cellular Telephones” as a *First Reading*.

Section B – Curriculum and Instruction

B-1 Motion to Accept 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 and Sub-Committees on Special Education in meetings held on March 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, April 1, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13 and direct the administration to arrange for the appropriate placement as set forth.

B-2 Textbook Selection and Adoption: Advanced Placement Environmental Science

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, I recommend that the following textbook be adopted for inclusion in the Science course at Ossining High beginning with the 2011-2012 school year: Environment, 7th edition written by Peter Raven, Lisa Berg, and David Hassenzahl with a copyright date of 2010.

Section C – Business Matters

C-1 Motion to Approve Treasurer’s Report for the Month of February 2011

I move that the Treasurer’s Report for the month of February 2011 be approved and placed on file with the District Clerk.

C-2 Motion to Approve Budget Report for the Month of February 2011

I move that the Board of Education approve the Budget Report of February 2011 as presented.

C-3 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gift for First Steps – Mr. Swope

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks the generous gift of \$40,000 from David Swope for use with the First Steps program, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the 2010-11 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-4 Resolution Regarding Disposal of Projectors and Sale of Toner Cartridges

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes the auctioning of 18 overhead projectors and the sale of 57 toner cartridges.

C-5 Resolution Regarding Revision to Robert Colangelo Scholarship Fund Agreement

RESOLVED: That the annual award for the Colangelo Scholarship be increased to a fixed amount of \$500.

C-6 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of OHS Class of 1971 Scholarship

RESOLVED: That the Ossining Board of Education hereby ratifies and adopts the attached Agreement to establish The Ossining High School Class of 1971 Scholarship.

C-7 Resolution Regarding 2011 – 12 Public Relations Printing Bid Award

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby awards the 2011 – 12 Public Relations Printing Bid on a per-item basis to the companies listed above in the amounts listed above, as recommended by the Purchasing Agent.

C-8 Resolution Regarding New York State Property Tax Report Card

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

C-9 Resolution Regarding Authorization of Tax Anticipation Note

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION OF OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED APRIL 26, 2011, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE RECEIPT OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012.

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, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012, 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-10 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-11 Resolution Regarding Rescission/Revision of Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Resolution

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby increases the 2010-2011 General Fund budget in the amount of \$70,884 and appropriates the funds from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1620-162-00-0000	B&G Grounds & Cust. Pers.	\$52,418
A-2020-160-00-0000	Principal Clerical	13,428
A-9030-800-00-0000	Social Security	5,037
	Total	\$70,884

C-12 Resolution Regarding Establishment of Club at OHS: The Engineering Club

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the formation of the Engineering Club as a student-run organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That revenues and expenditures of the Engineering Club be accounted for in the Student Activity Fund Account.

C-13 Resolution Regarding Establishment of Club at OHS: The Fashion Club

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the formation of the Fashion Club as a student-run organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That revenues and expenditures of the Fashion Club be accounted for in the Student Activity Fund Account.

C-14 Resolution Regarding Small Claims Assessment Review (SCAR) Payment

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the Small Claims Assessment Review payment of \$3,917.36 in the 2010-11 General Fund.

C-15 Claims Audited and Paid – For Information Only

Section D - Personnel Matters

D-1 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Resignation

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation of the Professional Staff member so noted.

D-2 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Appointment

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointment so noted.

D-3 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointments – Before/After School Programs

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointments so noted.

D-4 Resolution Regarding a Per Diem Substitute Removal

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

D-5 Resolution Regarding Per Diem Substitute Appointments

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

D-6 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Requests for Leave of Absence –

(For Information Only)

Section F – Information

VIII. Audience Recognition

IX. Board Committee/Liaison Reports and Board Dialogue

X. Adjournment

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