

Business Meeting Minutes – January 24, 2008

BOARD OF EDUCATION: Tina Mackay, President PRESENT
Guy Cohen, Vice President
Trustee Mary Maus

Trustee Frank Reale was not present (notified)
Trustee Marie Zarcone was not present (notified)

ADMINISTRATORS: Dr. Marc Space, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Barbara Fuchs, Assistant Superintendent for
Curriculum and Instruction
Paul Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Business
and Finance
Richard Herlihy, Interim High School Principal
Edward Hallisey, Middle School Principal
Jamie Edelman, Elementary School Principal
Nick Bellantoni, Director of Operations
Brian Hogaboom, Athletic Coordinator

OTHERS: Krystal Miranda, Student Representative to the Board
of Education, Reporters from the North County News and
Putnam County News and Recorder, staff from the
Putnam Valley School District and community members

Ms. Mackay convened the Business Meeting at 7:04 p.m. and asked the CONVENE
community to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance. MEETING

Ms. Mackay noted Mr. Reale would not be in attendance due to the fact that he and
his wife were with their daughter celebrating the birth of their grandson.

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, to approve APPROVE
the minutes of the Work Session of December 6, 2007, and the MINUTES
Business Meeting of December 20, 2007. Motion carried unanimously. 08/156

Mr. Mackay announced the Treasurer’s Report for November 2007 was posted and
available for anyone wishing a copy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF GENERAL INTEREST

PRIDE IN PUTNAM VALLEY

Dr. Space recognized Jonathan Zupan for being selected for the second time in two years to the New York State Cross Country Championships. Dr. Space also recognized Brittany Kinsley and Ashley Morgan for being selected to the New York State All-State, All-Section and All-League Field Hockey Teams.

The Principals of each of the buildings gave a “State of the Schools” Report to the Board on their buildings, highlighting enrollment and programs. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Mr. Paul Lee updated the district on the budget as of January 2008.

Student Representative to the Board, Krystal Miranda summarized activities in the schools, including clubs in the High School that make an impact on the community; the Make A Difference Club and SADD Club; the Academic Challenge Team Challenge, sponsored by Channel 12, with Team Putnam Valley successfully winning their first round against Roosevelt High School and will compete against Croton on March 5.

The PTA/PTSA announced a workshop on internet safety given by Deb Mansfield on January 29; PARP programs beginning at the Elementary and Middle Schools on February 2; Spelling Bee competition and book clubs beginning next month and PTSA holding Art Auction fundraiser on April 10.

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction reported on updated curriculum maps on website and the purchase of a program called Performance Pathways that will permit analysis of State Assessments and local tests.

Ms. Mackay asked for public contribution on agenda items. There was no public comment.

**CONTRACT WITH
LIFETRACK
SERVICES, INC.**
08/157

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the contract with LifeTrack Services, Inc., to provide post-graduate surveys. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept a generous monetary donation from the North County News of \$200.00 to be used in the Putnam Valley High School. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT
MONETARY
DONATION
NORTH CO. NEWS
TO BE USED IN
PVHS
08/158

It was noted that Hanlon’s Restaurant sponsored the football team in the North County News competition.

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve CSE/CPSE placements, as per Document #58/08, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE
CSE/CPSE
PLACEMENTS
08/159

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve an additional 2007-08 club advisors/stipends, at the Putnam Valley Middle School, as per Document #59/08, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE
ADDITIONAL
2007-08 PVMS
CLUB ADVISORS/
STIPENDS
08/160

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve an additional 2007-08 club/advisor/stipend at the Putnam Valley High School, as per Document #60/08, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE
ADDITIONAL
2007-08 PVHS
CLUB/ADVISOR/
STIPEND
08/161

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to amend Document #16/08 and Document #56/08 to correct coaches positions/steps/stipends, as per Document #61/08, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

AMEND
DOCUMENT #16/08
& DOCUMENT #56/08
08/162

APPROVE
ADDITIONAL
2007-08
COACH/STIPEND
08/163

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve an additional 2007-08 coach/stipend, as per Document #62/08, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINT
M. EBERLING
3-MON. LV. REPL
PVES
EFF. 12/21/08-
3/26/08
08/164

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Mary Eberling to a three-month leave replacement position as a Psychologist at the Putnam Valley Elementary School, on Step 1 MA of the P.V.F.T. salary schedule, effective December 21, 2007 through March 26, 2008 (or sooner at discretion of the Board of Education). Ms. Eberling holds School Psychologist Certification. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINT
A. SOUTHARD
6-MON. LV. REPL.
PVMS
EFF. 1/14/08-6/30/08
08/165

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Allison Southard to a six-month leave replacement position as a Grade 7 & 8 ELA teacher at the Putnam Valley Middle School, on Step 1 BA of the P.V.F.T. salary schedule, effective January 14, 2008 through June 30, 2008 (or sooner at discretion of the Board of Education). Ms. Southard hold Grades 7-12 ELA Certification. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL
ACTIONS
08/166

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to take personnel actions, as per Document #63/08, attached to the agenda and official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINT
J. BADARACCO
4-MON. LV. REPL.
PVMS
EFF. 2/25/08-6/30/08
08/167

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Judith Badaracco to a four-month leave replacement position as a Grade 6 ELA and Social Studies teacher at the Putnam Valley Middle School, on Step 3 MA of the P.V.F.T. salary schedule, effective February 25, 2008 through June 30, 2008 (or sooner at discretion of the Board of Education). Ms. Badaracco holds Nursery, K, and 1-6 Certification and Special Education Certification. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION PERIOD

Ms. Mackay asked for public contribution.

Mr. Cohen summarized the Putnam/Northern Westchester School Boards Association Dine and Network meeting of January 16, at which he participated in the Strategies and Contract Negotiation Sessions.

A Putnam Valley Education Foundation representative noted that February 1 begins the grant request cycle and the Silent Auction fundraiser on March 8.

Ms. Mackay announced the Board would move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing four contractual matters. There would be no other new business conducted upon their return.

At 8:26 p.m., on motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Ms. Maus, the Board moved into Executive Session to discuss four contractual matters. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION
08/168

Superintendent Space left the Executive Session at 9:12 p.m.

At 9:34 p.m., on motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Ms. Maus, the Board returned from Executive Session and at 9:35 p.m., there being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN
MEETING
08/169

Submitted by
Guy Cohen
Vice President
Board of Education

Typed by
Linda Pregiato
District Clerk