

COXSACKIE-ATHENS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board of Education Meeting

The mission of the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District is to provide a comprehensive education program for all students to compete successfully and contribute to a global society.

Date: September 16, 2008 **Location:** Middle School Library **Time:** 6:45 p.m.
New Staff Reception
7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education accept the minutes/action of the Subcommittee on Special Education meeting of 8/28/08; minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education meeting of 7/31/08 and 8/14/08; minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting of 8/19/08.

IV. Public Input – Agenda Items

At this point in the agenda, members of the attending public are invited to address the Board on issues that the board will be considering on this evening's agenda. Individuals are asked to stand, to state their name, and to summarize their concerns for the Board. Any written documents may be given to the Clerk of the Board for distribution to Board members. We request that, if at all possible, comments be kept to three to five minutes in length to afford all interested parties the opportunity to speak.

V. Public Input – Non Agenda Items

At this point in the agenda, members of the attending public are invited to address the Board on issues of general concern that the Board may wish to consider at future Board of Education meetings, if appropriate, or to provide information to the Board on matters of importance. Individuals are asked to stand, to state their name, and to summarize their concerns for the Board. Any written documents may be given to the Clerk of the Board for distribution to Board members. We request that, if at all possible, comments be kept to three to five minutes in length to afford all interested parties the opportunity to speak.

VI. Communications/Board Discussion

A. Energy Stewardship Award – Mr. Charles Fasnacht, Energy Education

B. Scope of Construction and Renovation Project

C. Committee Reports

VII. Superintendent's Staff Reports

A. Therapeutic Crisis Intervention (TCI) – Mrs. Castle & Ms. Evans

B. Title I Summer Program Report – Mr. Posillico

C. Facilities Report – Mr. Besenfelder

VIII. Superintendent's Recommendations

A. Program Matters

B. Personnel Matters

1. Resignations

a. Jennifer Clark – Food Service

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the resignation of Jennifer Clark from her position as food service worker in the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District effective August 18, 2008.

2. Leave of Absence

a. Nicole Conte – Reading K-12

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve a leave of absence to Nicole Conte from her position as reading teacher in the Coxsackie-Athens Central school District effective September 26, 2008 through January 30, 2009 for child rearing purposes.

3. Probationary Appointments

a. Barbara Spataro – Library Media Specialist

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Education Law, provide a probationary appointment to

Barbara Spataro who holds permanent New York State certification as a library media specialist to the library media specialist tenure area in the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2010, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Coxsackie-Athens Teachers' Association.

b. Robin Evers – Reading K-12

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Education Law, provide a probationary appointment to Robin Evers who holds initial New York State certification as a reading teacher to the Reading K-12 tenure area in the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Coxsackie-Athens Teachers' Association.

c. Cynthia Donovan – Teacher Aide

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Civil Service Law, provide a probationary appointment to Cynthia Donovan as a teacher aide in the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District effective September 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Coxsackie-Athens Teaching Assistants/Teacher Aides Association.

d. Agentia Russo – Teacher Aide

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Civil Service Law, provide a probationary appointment to Agentia Russo as a teacher aide in the Coxsackie-Athens Central School District effective September 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Coxsackie-Athens Teaching Assistants/Teacher Aides Association.

4. Part Time Appointments

a. Larry Geberth – Spanish 7-12

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Education Law, provide a part time appointment (.6FTE) to Larry Geberth as a Spanish teacher in the Cossackie-Athens Central School District effective September 4, 2008 through June 30, 2009, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and The Cossackie-Athens Teachers' Association.

b. Patricia Peck – Teacher Aide

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Civil Service Law, provide a part time (3 hours per day) appointment to Patricia Peck as a teacher aide in the Cossackie-Athens Central School District effective September 1, 2008, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Cossackie-Athens Teaching Assistants/Teacher Aides Association.

c. Kimberly Carter – Food Service Worker

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Civil Service Law, provide an appointment (3 hours per day) to Kimberly Carter as a food service worker in the Cossackie-Athens Central School District effective September 17, 2008, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Cossackie-Athens Food Service Employees Association.

5. Regular Substitutes

a. Nicole Beaulac – Social Studies

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to

Education Law, provide a regular substitute appointment to Nicole Beaulac who holds initial New York State certification as a social studies teacher, effective September 1, 2008 through November 7, 2008, remunerated in accord with the contract currently in effect between the District and the Coxsackie-Athens Teachers' Association.

6. Other Appointments

a. Substitute Personnel

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Education Law, approve the following substitutes for the 2008-2009 school year:

Matthew Brooks	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Brittany Brooks	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Annette DeLuccy	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Louise Deyo	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Bonnie Ecker	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Jean Ann Frattini	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Caitlin Laux	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Eliza McErlean-Certified	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Abigail Morehouse	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Shawn Mousseau	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Sheila Wixon	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Karen Bennett	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Stacey Nelson	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Kyle Garland	Teacher/Teaching Asst.
Cristie Simboli	Teacher/Teaching Asst.

b. Annual Appointments

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Education Law, appoint the following as coaches and advisors for the 2008-2009 school year:

Peter Hoffman	Odyssey of the Mind
Jaime Rubin	National Honor Society
Shauna Evans	National Honor Society

c. Volunteer

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and pursuant to Education Law, appoint the following as a volunteer for the 2008-2009 school year:

Michael McHale

Modified Soccer

C. Business Matters

1. Donation

Be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education accept the donation of a 25 inch TV valued at \$250 from Matt Seekamp.

2. Project Scope & Lead Agency for SEQRA

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2008 the Board of Education authorized proceeding with the planning phase of a capital construction and renovation project anticipated to result in little or no increase in cost to the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2008 the Board of Education authorized CSArch Architecture and Construction Management, in cooperation with the Building Advisory Committee, to proceed expeditiously with the pre-referendum services phase of such project; and

WHEREAS, the Building Advisory Committee in its report at a special Board meeting held September 9, 2008, recommended a project with an approximate cost of \$19.8 million, which will involve a greater increase in cost to the taxpayer than originally anticipated; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed and considered the recommendations of the Building Advisory Committee and CSArch Architecture and Construction Management made at such special meeting, the Board of Education believes that the recommended change in scope of the project is appropriate and in the best interests of the School District.

Now, therefore, be it resolved as follows by the Board of Education of the Cossackie-Athens Central School District:

The recommendation of the Building Advisory Committee with respect to the scope of the capital construction and renovation project initially authorized on May 14, 2008 is hereby accepted, and CSArch Architecture and Construction Management is hereby authorized to proceed expeditiously with the pre-referendum phase of a capital project of approximately \$19.8 million in projected cost; and

The Board of Education of the Cossackie-Athens Central School District hereby designates itself lead agency for the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) with respect to this project.

3. CSArch Architecture and Construction Management to serve as Construction Manager

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent hereby designates Collins & Scoville Architects PC (dba CS Arch Architecture and Construction Management) to provide Construction Management services for a construction and renovation project in the amount of approximately \$19.8 million subject to agreement on the terms, preparation, and execution of the final written form of agreement between the Cossackie-Athens Central District and CS Arch Architecture and Construction Management.

4. Bill Schedule

General Account Bill Schedule #3 in the amount of \$793,917.80

Federal Account Bill Schedule #3 in the amount of \$94,982.48

5. Financial Reports

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Treasurer's Report

Revenue Budget Status Report – All Funds

General Fund Appropriation Status Report

Federal Fund Appropriation Status Report

Trial Balances – All Funds

Internal Claims Audit

IX. Public Input

X. Request for Reports

XI. Establish of Future Meetings

Special Board of Education Meeting, Tuesday September 30, 2008, 7 p.m.
Middle School Library

Special Board of Education Meeting, Tuesday, October 7, 2008, 7 p.m.
Middle School Library

Regular Board of Education Meeting, Tuesday, October 21, 2008, 7 p.m.
Edward J. Arthur Elementary School

XII. Executive Session

A. Matters related to a specific student

B. Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation

XIII. Adjourn

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