The Iroquois Central School District, in being responsive to the students and parents it serves, will promote innovation and change in a continuous search for more effective and efficient ways of meeting our mission as an institution of teaching and learning.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
IROQUOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL
INTERMEDIATE CAFETERIA
GIRDLE RD., ELMA, NY
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2012 AT 6:00 PM

PRESENT
Mr. Paul Bracci
Mrs. Susan Brunner
Mrs. Suzanne Wolff
Ms. Nickole Garrison
Mr. Charles Specht
Mr. Thomas Di Scipio

ABSENT
Mr. David Lowrey

ALSO PRESENT
Mr. Douglas Scofield      Superintendent
Dr. Mary Jo Dudek         Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum
Mrs. Joanne George        Business Administrator
Mrs. Cindy Sadowski       District Clerk

CALL TO ORDER
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Bracci at 6:00 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
A motion was made by Mrs. Brunner, seconded by Ms. Garrison, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations.

Motion carried.  (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS – REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
No guests were asked to be recognized at this time.

ADDITION TO AGENDA
In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Mr. Specht, seconded by Mrs. Brunner, the Board voted to add item 7.6 to the agenda.

Motion carried  (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

CONSENSUS AGENDA
In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Mrs. Brunner, seconded by Mr. Specht, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consensus Agenda.

Motion carried (Ayes 6, Noes 0)
5.2     FINANCIAL MATTERS

5.2.1  Financial Reports for February 2012.

5.3     MINUTES

5.3.1  Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 2012.

5.4     PERSONNEL

5.4.3    RETIREMENT RESIGNATIONS

5.4.3.1  The acceptance, with regret, of the retirement resignation of Linda Gonzalez from her position as kindergarten teacher effective June 30, 2012.

5.4.3.2  The acceptance, with regret, of the retirement resignation of Jeanne Roma from her position as English teacher effective June 30, 2012.

5.4.6   LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5.4.6.1  The approval of an unpaid leave for Kim Nottis from February 28, 2012 (.61 day unpaid) through June 30, 2012.

5.4.6.2  The approval of the extension of an unpaid leave for Judy Kolarczyk from April 2, 2012 through May 1, 2012.

5.4.7   AMENDED APPOINTMENTS

5.4.7.1  The approval of the amended lists of substitute teachers, teacher aides, bus attendants, bus drivers, cleaners, clerical, clerks, laborers and nurses per the attached.

5.4.9   APPOINTMENTS

5.4.9.1  The approval of the appointment of Jeffrey Maskulinski, who has an initial certificate in physical education and was appointed on August 11, 2012 to a .4 F.T.E. non-probationary position in the physical education tenure area in addition to his .6 F.T.E. teacher assistant position, be appointed to a .5 F.T.E. non-probationary position in the physical education tenure area effective April 16, 2012 and ending on June 30, 2012 and to a .5 F.T.E. Teacher Assistant position effective April 16, 2012. Salary $35,250.00 pro-rated based on Bachelors, Step 1 + $16.77 per hour, Step 5 Teacher Assistant (2011-2012 IFA Negotiated Agreement).
5.4.9.2 The approval of the appointment of Tom Betrus, who has an initial certificate in math 7-12, be appointed to a non-probationary .7 F.T.E. position in the math tenure area effective April 5, 2012 and ending on or before June 30, 2012, or upon the return of Holly Thauer whichever is sooner. Salary $35,250.00 pro-rated based on Bachelors, Step 1 (2011-2012 IFA Negotiate Agreement).

5.4.9.3 The approval of the request to assign student teacher Derek Kelly (Buffalo State College) to be assigned to Lori Zimmerman (Earth Science, Env. Science Gr. 9-12) from September 5, 2012 - October 19, 2012.

5.4.9.4 The approval of the authorization of CSE/CPSE recommendations per the attached.

6. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Scofield reported that the capital project is moving forward as planned. The new transformers are being installed and more work is being done at night now that it is lighter longer. The majority of the work will begin after July 1st.

Mr. Scofield reviewed the budget development process for 2012-2013 and reiterated the importance of everyone knowing the facts. Mr. Scofield recommended a 3.42% increase to the levy for the 2012-13 budget explaining that this percentage is below the tax cap. Mr. Scofield stated that two retirements, change in state aid, and use of additional reserves enabled the decrease in the levy from the original discussion of 4.99% to 3.42% without the elimination of any additional programs or extra-curricular activities.

Mr. Scofield congratulated everyone involved with the high school play The Crucible stating that the performers were wonderful and the play was very enjoyable. Mr. Scofield also congratulated the Intermediate Building for their successful health fair which was held the previous evening. Mr. Bracci congratulated James Haefner, James DePlato and KC Sokolski for being named by the Buffalo News as 2011-12 winter All Western New York Scholars athletes. In order to be nominated, students must have a 90+ average for three years and be a starter on their team.

Mr. Scofield also thanked teachers Jeanne Roma and Linda Gonzalez, who will be retiring at the end of the school year, for their years of service and dedication to the District.
NEW BUSINESS

AMEND 7.1

Upon a motion by Mr. Specht, seconded by Ms. Garrison, item 7.1 was amended to include the amount of $43,469,461 in Proposition No. 1.

Motion carried (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

2012-2013 BUDGET PROPOSITIONS

7.1 In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Mr. Specht, seconded by Mr. Di Scipio, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

PROPOSITION NO. 1
ENTIRE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM BUDGET 2012-2013

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved, that the budget for the Iroquois Central School District, Erie County (the “District”) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2012, as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted, in an amount not to exceed $43,469,461, and the required funds therefore are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in said District to be levied and collected as required by law.

PROPOSITION NO. 2
PURCHASE OF PUPIL TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Iroquois Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of three 62-passenger school buses, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of $360,000, less trade-in value, if any, and that such sum or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be partially offset by state aid available therefore; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum aggregate cost shall be issued, or the school district may enter into an installment purchase contract if the Board of Education determines that it is in the best interest of the school district to finance the purchase in that method.
PROPOSITION NO. 3
TECHNOLOGY PROJECT and GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVE

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Iroquois Central School District, Erie County, is hereby authorized, to expend $60,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund of the District known as the “Technology Reserve Fund” (as established by the District’s voters at the District vote held on May 19, 2005) for the purpose of purchasing computer hardware, computer software and computer connectivity equipment;

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board is hereby authorized to transfer an amount not to exceed $450,000 from the unappropriated fund balance of the District to the Repair Reserve Fund of the District for the purpose of repairs to capital improvements and/or equipment as authorized by General Municipal Law Section 6-d.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

7.2 Upon a motion by Mrs. Brunner, seconded by Ms. Garrison, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the list of voting inspectors, chief inspector, clerk of the meeting, acting clerk of the meeting, and permanent chairperson be approved for the Annual Budget Vote and Board election to be held on May 15, 2012:

Inspectors:
Joan Accurso             Donna Karwick   Deanna McDonough
Christine Barsottelli    Jennifer Kowalski Mary Newell
Bonnie Barus             Bonita Lindhardt Marcia Parkes
Cathy Berger             Shirley Loomis   Cheryl Ritter
Gail Berger              Vern Loomis      Arlene Rydzynski
Sandra Bishop            Mary Lucas       Carol Schiemant
Arlene Bogucki           Margaret Maciejewski Shirley Schildkamp
Carol Comerford          Louise Makuch    Patricia Skowron
Patricia Evans           Carol Maltbie    Frances Tuck
Nancy Galanis            Louis Mariacher  Joyce Zimmerman
Carolyn Husarek          Joan Martin     
Judith Jackson           Linda Mazgaj

Chief Inspector:            Christine Barsottelli
Clerk of the Meeting:       Cindy Sadowski
Acting Clerk of the Meeting: Joanne George (in the absence of the Clerk of the Meeting)
Permanent Chairperson:      Cindy Sadowski; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the meeting is hereby delegated the authority to appoint additional inspectors as necessary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Meeting, or in her absence the Acting Clerk of the Meeting, shall have the authority to inspect the voting machines prior to and immediately after the voting for the purposes of reporting the same to the public and preparing the minutes of the Annual District Meeting.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

7.3 In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Ms. Garrison, seconded by Mr. Di Scipio, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Use of School Facilities requests from:

7.3.1 Gretchen Riedel, AAU Buffalo Storm Basketball, to use the Middle School gym on March 22, 29, April 5, 19, 2012 for basketball practice at an estimated cost of $44.20.

7.3.2 Sandy Gauthier, EMW Softball Commissioner, to use the Middle School cafeteria on March 28, 2012 for a meeting for special needs league at an estimated cost of $9.89.

7.3.3 Sandy Gauthier, EMW Softball, to use the Iroquois Intermediate cafeteria on March 29, 2012 for a girls’ softball parent/coach meeting at an estimated cost of $9.89.

7.3.4 James Mercurio, EMW Baseball Coach, to use the Iroquois Intermediate gym from April 10, 2012 – April 26, 2012 for baseball practice for an estimated cost of $95.66.

7.3.5 Todd Miller, EMW Football and Cheerleading, to use the Middle School cafeteria for football/cheerleading registration on May 8, May 10, and June 12, 2012 at an estimated cost of $26.37.

7.3.6 Jill Jaros, Owner of Rock Steady Dance Center, to use the High School facilities on June 7, 2012 for a rehearsal and June 9, 2012 for a dance recital at an estimated cost of $246.85.

7.3.7 Bonnie Mather, Tri-Town Recreation Director, to use the Elma Primary facilities on June 1, 2012 for an open house regarding the Tri-Town Recreation summer programs at an estimated cost of $9.56.

7.3.8 Bonnie Mather, Tri-Town Recreation Director, to use the Elma
Primary facilities on June 21, 2012 for an on-site staff training for the Tri-Town Recreation day camp at an estimated cost of $11.22.

7.3.9 Bonnie Mather, Tri-Town Recreation Director, to use two Elma Primary classrooms on June 22, 2012 to set up the Tri-Town Recreation camp office and the arts and crafts room for the start of the program at an estimated cost of $10.58.

7.3.10 Bonnie Mather, Tri-Town Recreation Director, to use the Middle School pool and locker rooms from June 25, 2012 – August 10, 2012 for community swim programs at an estimated cost of $1,259.87.

7.3.11 Laura Carlson, Girls’ Volleyball Coach, to use the High School auxiliary gym from August 7 – 9, 2012 for a volleyball camp at an estimated cost of $60.21.

7.3.12 Raymond Balcerzak, Jr., to farm the land south of the Elma, Marilla, Wales Boys & Girls Club building for the 2012 farming season at a cost of $200.00.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

POLICIES - SECOND READING

7.4 In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Mrs. Brunner, seconded by Ms. Garrison, the Board voted unanimously on the second reading of the following amended policies:

- Policy No. 1510 - Regular Board Meetings and Rules - (Quorum and Parliamentary Procedure)
- Policy No. 3420 - Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment in the School District
- Policy No. 5230 - Acceptance of Gifts, Grants and Bequests to the School District
- Policy No. 5410 - Purchasing
- Policy No. 6121 - Sexual Harassment of District Personnel
- Policy No. 7315 - Student Use of Computerized Information Resources
- Policy No. 7513 - Administration of Medication
- Policy No. 7551 - Sexual Harassment (Students)
- Policy No. 8271 - Internet Safety/Internet Content Filtering

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)
7.5 In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Ms. Garrison, seconded by Mr. Di Scipio, the Board voted unanimously to declare the items on the attached list as obsolete and disposed of according to District policy.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

7.6 In accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, upon a motion by Mr. Specht, seconded by Ms. Garrison, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Comprehensive Education Plan which outlines improvements and goals for the Iroquois Central School District in Literacy and ELA.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

The Board discussed upcoming events in the District; Mr. Bracci stated that the *EA Bee* had incorrectly reported that Mrs. Brunner would be running for the school board. Mr. Bracci clarified that Mrs. Brunner is not seeking re-election and that petitions to run for her seat are due to Mrs. Sadowski by April 16 at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Michael Bastine addressed the Board regarding the CSE process.

There being no further business before the Board of Education, upon a motion by Ms. Garrison, seconded by Mr. Specht, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. (Ayes 6, Noes 0)

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Sadowski
District Clerk