

SACHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Holbrook, New York

Samoset Middle School
Cafeteria

April 12, 2007
8:00 PM

Board of Education Work Session

The Board of Education welcomes all who are attending this meeting.

AGENDA

A. OPENING OF MEETING

1. Call to Order Michael Pomara, President
will preside. A quorum is expected.
2. Salute to the Flag
3. Moment of Silent Meditation

D. VISITORS

1. **Visitors** (Each visitor will be limited to 3 minutes)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education welcome visitors who wish to address the Board on matters relating to this agenda.”

If you wish to speak, please fill out a card (located on the table in the rear of the room) and turn in to the table in the front of the room adjacent to the Board of Education. The President of the Board will call speakers to the floor.

C. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Establishment of Special Meeting – Vote on BOCES Administrative Budget and Candidates**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education establishes Wednesday, April 25, 2007 as a Special Meeting to vote on the BOCES administrative budget and candidates. The meeting will take place at District Office at 8 pm.”

2. **Reimbursement for Internet Service to Former Board of Education Member Ralph Stile**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Sachem Central School District Board of Education approve the following resolution:”

WHEREAS Mr. Ralph Stile served as a member of the Board of Education of the Sachem Central School District from 7/1/97 to 6/30/06 and

WHEREAS, it has been the past practice of the Board of Education to reimburse Board members for the cost of internet access used in furtherance of the Board members' duties as a trustee and

WHEREAS, said internet access was used to enhance communication on school district matters between the District, Board members and the community and

WHEREAS Ralph Stile has previously submitted a claim for reimbursement for the cost of such internet access from 8/8/05 to 6/30/06, a period in which he served as a member of the Board of Education

WHEREAS, District administrators have consulted with the Office of the State Comptroller regarding such payments and have been advised that a board resolution is necessary to make such reimbursement

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the reimbursement of \$404.55 to Ralph Stile, former Board member for the cost of said internet service provided during his tenure as a board member.

3. **Approval of Resolution – Legal Services**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Sachem Central School District Board of Education approve the following resolution:”

BE IT RESOLVED that Lawrence Spirn, Esq. is appointed as special counsel to represent the Sachem Central School District in Board of Education of the Middle Country Central School District v. Board of Education of the Sachem Central School District et al, Index No. 00-1522, and in Board of Education of the Middle Country School District v. Board of Education of the East Meadow Union Free School District and Board of Education of the Sachem Central School District, Index No. 01-17950, at an hourly rate of \$185.00.

4. **SEQRA Resolution – Proposed Capital Projects**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Sachem Central School District Board of Education approve the following resolution:”

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Sachem Central School District desires to embark upon the capital improvement projects listed in attachment A hereto; and

WHEREAS, said capital improvement projects are subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, routine activities such as renovations to, or expansions of existing public school facilities by less than 10,000 square feet are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5(8)); and

WHEREAS, the SEQRA Regulations declare Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the capital improvement projects and has determined that the capital improvement projects listed in attachment A hereto are classified as a Type II Actions pursuant to Section 617.5(8) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby declares that the capital improvement projects list on attachment A hereto are Type II Actions, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the correspondence from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of said projects from the New York State Education Department.

5. **Approval of Emergency Repair Roof Work – Sachem High School East**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Sachem Central School District Board of Education approve the following resolution:”

WHEREAS, the roof at East High School is damaged and in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, the School District is in receipt of a report from H2M Architects, advising that the roof is required to be repaired in order to properly protect the East High School building from further damage; and

WHEREAS, the damage to the East High School roof threatens the health, safety and welfare of the students and employees of the district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education declares the repairs to the roof at East High School to be an emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the repair of said roof as an ordinary contingent expense of the Board and authorizes the Superintendent, or his designee, to take the necessary legal steps to repair the roof in accordance with the annexed proposal from Nationwide Restoration.

6. **Approval of Agreement Between Sachem Central School District and Hilton-Long Island – Sachem North Senior Prom- June 21, 2007**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the agreement between Sachem Central School District and Hilton-Long Island for the Sachem High School North Senior Prom being held on June 21, 2007. The fee is being paid for by the students. This contract has been reviewed and approved by the school district’s attorney.”

7. **Approval of Agreement Between Sachem Central School District and Islandia Marriot – Sachem North Senior Prom- June 26, 2008**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the agreement between Sachem Central School District and Islandia Marriott for the Sachem High School North Senior Prom being held on June 26, 2008. The fee is being paid for by the students. This contract has been reviewed and approved by the school district’s attorney.”

D. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

1. Mid-Year Graduation/Commencement
2. Elementary Health Curriculum
3. 2007-08 State Aid

E. CLOSING

1. **Visitors** (Each visitor will be limited to 3 minutes)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hear from members of the audience who wish to present any matters of importance.”

2. **Board of Education Discussion of Future Agenda Items**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: “that any member of the Board of Education wishing to propose a future agenda item present a motion to the Board of Education for consideration.”

3. **Next Meeting**

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, **April 17** in the cafeteria at Samoset Middle School at 8 PM.

The Board of Education will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, **April 25** in the Conference Room at District Office at 8 PM to vote on the proposed BOCES Administrative Budget and BOCES Candidates.

- F. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – The Board will adjourn to executive session for a litigation update and personnel matters.

G. ADJOURN