

VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Voorheesville, New York 12186
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Regular Board of Education Meeting
June 7, 2010

David M. Gibson, President
Large Group Instruction Room

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Board Members Present:

David M. Gibson, President
C. James Coffin, Vice Present
Timothy E. Blow
Cheryl L. Dozier
Lisa A. Henkel
Gary A. Hubert
Kevin T. Kroencke

Board Members Absent:

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Teresa Snyder, Sarita Winchell, Mark Diefendorf, Brian Whitley, Thomas Reardon, Patrick Corrigan, Michael Goyer, Robin Jacob

OTHERS PRESENT:

Deann DellaPenta, Robert Hammer, Jen Scott, MaryTeresa McCormick, Brian Kaplan, Colleen Brackett, David Adkins, Pam Standish, Kristine Gravino, Cindy Monaghan, Therese Miranda, William Brayden, Linda Pasquali, Laura Pasquali, Bri McAlevey, Jen Hampston, Chris Allard, Kathy Fiero, Karen Conroy, Rebecca Hoffman, Dorothea Pfliederer

Mr. Gibson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and gave the proper procedure to evacuate the building in the event of a fire emergency. He noted all Board members were present.

Call to Order:
7:30 p.m.

Item 2: Presentation – High School Government Class on 21st Century Learning

Mr. Gladd's Government students presented to the Board on their class-wide project of looking at education in the 21st century. The work on this project was the basis for the remainder of fourth quarter grades for the students and their final project grade. They provided an overview of those things which they decided are most important to improve education. The students discussed: ways to use technology to improve learning, using technology to improve communication and reduce wasted time, using distance learning to broaden the pool of information and tools available for learning, standardized testing, game-based learning, and meditation in class.

Presentation:
21st Century
Education

Item 3: Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Blow, seconded by Mr. Coffin and carried by a 6-0 vote, the Board approved the minutes of the regular meeting of May 10, 2010, and the minutes of the Budget Vote / BOE Election on May 18, 2010. Dr. Henkel abstained from voting.

Approval of Minutes:
05/10/10; 05/18/10

Item 4.1: Opportunity for students to address the Board

There were no comments.

Opportunity for Students to Address the BOE

Item 4.2: Opportunity for the public to be heard

Therese Miranda, representing the Voorheesville Friends of Music; Chris Jantson, Music and Art Department Chair; David Adkins, community member/parent; and William Brayden, former VCSO Superintendent, addressed the Board with regard to naming the performing arts center after Lydia C. Tobler in honor of her 35 years as a teacher, department chair, Humanities Program coordinator, and mentor to many teachers and students in the Voorheesville School District. It was noted that when the plans for the PAC were being developed, Lydia Tobler was instrumental in the design and detail of the facility; she also played a major role in the funding to purchase the concert grand piano for the PAC. The Board voted on this under Item 8.2 on the agenda.

Opportunity for Public to be Heard:

Robert Hammer addressed the Board regarding the third floor classroom temperatures during the very hot days of the previous week and asked that the Board consider placing air conditioning units in these rooms. Mr. Gibson asked Mr. Goyer to monitor these rooms, document the temperatures, and work with the Facilities Committee on remediation.

Item 4.3: Opportunity for the Board to be heard

This being his final regular meeting as a Board member, Mr. Gibson spoke about continually improving education for students; the benefits of involving the community and parents in our students' education; giving back to the community wherever we can (access to school facilities/technology); and infusing technology into all aspects of education. Mr. Gibson said that being on the school board is about service and stewardship; not about moving personal aims and goals forward.

Opportunity for the Board to be Heard:

Mr. Kroencke said it had been a pleasure to serve on the Board for the last five years with Mr. Gibson. He discussed the highlights of his term and said that being a member of the Board is especially gratifying when you see you have made a difference.

On a motion by Mr. Coffin, seconded by Dr. Henkel and carried unanimously, the following items were approved:

Treasurer's Report: **Item 5.1.1: Treasurer's Report**

The Board accepted the Treasurer's Report as presented in the enclosure folder.

Warrants**Item 5.1.2: Warrants**

The following warrants were accepted:

Warrant:	Date:	Amount
Multi-Fund Warrant #45:	April 30, 2010	\$ 377,897.50
Payroll Covering Warrant #46:	April 28, 2010	\$ 485,374.36
Multi-Fund Warrant #47:	May 13, 2010	\$ 124,977.23
Payroll Covering Warrant #48:	May 12, 2010	\$ 450,479.07

Resignations:**Item 5.2: Resignations**

Accepted the following resignations:

R. Bradshaw Robert Bradshaw, Custodial Worker
Effective: May 11, 2010
Reason: Personal

P. Woodfull Paige Woodruff, Teacher Aide
Effective: June 25, 2010
Reason: Personal

A. Winch Allan Winch, Custodial Worker
Effective: June 11, 2010
Reason: Personal

Spanish Teachers:**Item 5.3: Spanish Teachers**

Approved the following appointments:

N. Cassala Natalie Cassala, Spanish Teacher (.6 FTE)
Effective: September 1, 2010
Salary: Step 2 (MA) of VTA Contract

S. Rigglin Sandra Rigglin, Spanish Teacher (.4 FTE)
Effective: September 1, 2010
Salary: Step 15 (MA) of VTA Contract

Speech-Pathologist**Item 5.4: Speech Pathologist**

Approved the probationary appointment of Julie Rossi (three-year probationary term) as Speech-Language Pathologist effective September 1, 2010.

J. Rossi Salary: Step 4 (MA) of the VTA Contract

Extracurricular Appointments**Item 5.5: Extracurricular Appointments: 2010-2011**

Approved the following extracurricular appointments for the 2010-2011 school year:

<u>Robert Whiteman</u>	High School Drama Play Director	Step 8
<u>Steve Suriano</u>	Middle School Drama Director	Step 2
<u>Jonathan Glisson</u>	Middle School Drama Club Advisor	Step 2

Teaching Assistant:**Item 5.6: Teaching Assistant**

Approved the appointment of Kathleen Bogart (three-year probationary term) as middle school teaching assistant effective September 1, 2010.

K. Bogart Salary: Step 2 of the UEV Contract

Reduction in Hours:**Item 5.7: Reduction in Hours**

Approved a reduction in hours for Kristen Wells, art teacher, from 1.0 FTE to .7 FTE effective September 1, 2010.

K. Wells

Summer Enrichment Program:**Item 5.8: Summer 2010 Enrichment Program – Earth Science**

Approved the appointment of Jessica Bradshaw as instructor for the Summer 2010 Online Earth Science Course. Mrs. Bradshaw will be paid her per diem rate of \$263.80 for a period of six days.

J. Bradshaw

Summer 2010 Special Ed.:**Item 5.9: Special Education Summer 2010 Program**

Approved the appointment of Linda O'Keefe as special education teaching assistant (9 hours per week) for the Special Education Summer 2010 Program effective July 6 through August 12, 2010.

L. O'Keefe

Note: Salary in accordance with UEV salary schedule. The district is reimbursed for 80% of this program.

Long-Term Substitute:**Item 5.10: Long-Term Substitute**

Approved the appointment of Andrew Karins as long-term substitute (.7 FTE position) for Physical Education effective September 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

A. Karins

Salary: .7 of Step 7 (MA) of VTA Contract

Item 5.11: Teacher Aide

Approved the appointment of Jill Raymond as teacher aide (one hour per day to cover middle school lunch) effective 14, 2010.

Salary: Step 4 of the UEV Contract

Teacher Aide:

J. Raymond

Item 5.12: Summer Bus Driver Appointments

Approved the following bus driver/bus aide appointments for transportation for summer programs for July – August 2010:

Drivers

<u>Pam Traverse</u>	Helderberg Workshop	30 days @ 7 hours/day	\$22.04/hour
<u>Jill Raymond</u>	Helderberg Workshop	30 days @ 4 hours/day	\$19.24/hour
<u>Marianne Lenseth</u>	BOCES Program	29 days @ 4 hours/day	\$18.86/hour
<u>Bob Alft</u>	BOCES Program	29 days @ 4 hours/day	\$16.40/hour
<u>Bob Fuglein</u>	BOCES Program	29 days @ 4 hours/day	\$23.36/hour
<u>Lauren Tracey</u>	VES Summer Program	18 days @ 4 hours/day	\$16.80/hour
<u>Tom Krajewski</u>	VES Summer Program and Wildwood Camp		\$17.07/hour
	Monday & Friday	29 days @ 4 hours/day	
	Tues., Wed., Thurs.	29 days @ 6 hours/day	

Bus Aides

<u>Joe Albright</u>	BOCES Program	29 days @ 4 hours/day	\$14.11/hour
<u>Adele Livingston</u>	BOCES Program	29 days @ 4 hours/day	\$13.58/hour

Summer Bus Driver Appointments

Item 5.13: Substitute Teacher Appointments from BOCES Substitute Registry

Approved the new Capital Region BOCES Substitute Registry appointments for the 2009-2010 school year as presented in the enclosure folder.

Substitute Teacher

Appointments:

BOCES Sub.
Registry

Item 5.14: Substitute Bus Driver

Approved the appointment of Margaret Thayer as a substitute bus driver effective June 8, 2010.

Salary: Step 1 of the UEV Contract

Substitute Bus

Driver:

M. Thayer

Item 5.15: CSE Recommendations

Approved the following recommendation by the *Committee on Special Education* as outlined at meetings held on April 19, 2010, April 22, 2010, April 23, 2010, May 3, 2010, and May 4, 2010. Designated the Superintendent as signatory for health service contracts related to special education students' IEPs.

CSE

Recommendations

Item 5.16: Contract with Advanced Therapy

Approved the contract with Advanced Therapy, One Rapp Road, Albany, NY, for therapy services from July 6, 2010 through August 13, 2010 (5 hours per week), at a cost of \$1,500, and authorized Superintendent Teresa Snyder to sign the contract.

Contract

w/Advanced

Therapy

Item 5.17: Correction Summer 2009 Special Education Appointments

Amended the minutes of the June 8, 2009 Board of Education meeting to correct the salaries for personnel appointed to the Summer 2009 Special Education program as follows:

Lisa Spadinger, Part-time Special Education Teacher, 9 hours per week

Salary: \$38.72 per hour

Donna Fitzgerald, Part-time Special Education Teacher, 15 hours per week

Salary: \$45.65 per hour

Jennifer Scott, Part-time Special Education Teacher, 9 hours per week

Salary: \$38.00 per hour

Cynthia VanWie, Part-time Speech Therapist, 9 hours per week

Salary: \$47.29 per hour

Megan Bruno, Part-time Occupational Therapist, 6 hours per week

Salary: \$37.03 per hour

Liza Herzog, Part-time Physical Therapist, 3 hours per week

Salary: \$43.30 per hour

Correction:

Summer 2009
Special Education
Appointments

Item 5.18: Management / Confidential Salaries

Approved the 2010-2011 salaries for managerial and confidential employees as presented in the enclosure folder.

Management /

Confidential

Salaries

Item 5.19: Bid Awards

Approved the bid recommendations as presented in the enclosure folder.

Bid Awards

Item 5.20: Revision in 2010-2011 School Calendar (see below)

Item 5.21: Membership in the Capital Area School Development Association (CASDA)

Approved Voorheesville CSD membership in CASDA effective July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011.

Basic affiliation fee: \$948.00 (This fee is based on student enrollment as of October 1, 2009)

2010-2011 CASDA

Membership

Non-Public School
Transportation
Request**Item 5.22: Request for Non-Public School Transportation**

Approved a request for non-public school transportation for one (1) additional student to private school for the 2009-2010 school year.

(We will be transporting a total of 74 students to private school for the remainder of this year)

Helderberg Christian School

Grade 4

Item 5.23: Change in Civil Service Title / Reduction in Hours (see below)Awarding of
Contract for ES
Reconstruction**Item 5.24: Awarding of Contracts for Reconstruction work at Voorheesville Elementary School**

Approved bid awards for the elementary school reconstruction work, as presented below, in the total amount of **\$189,737** for all contracts:

Sitework / Paving

Callanan Industries,
Inc.

Callanan Industries, Inc.
P.O. Box 15097
Albany, New York 12212

Base Bid No. S-1 \$ 174,490

Total Contract Amount: \$ 174,490

Plumbing

D & E Technologies,
Inc.

D & E Technologies, Inc.
176 Anthony Road
Clifton Park, New York 12065

Base Bid No. P-1 \$ 15,247

Total Contract Amount: \$ 15,247

Non-Resident
Student Admission**Item 5.25: Non-Resident Student Admission Request**

Approved the following request for admission of a non-resident for the 2010-2011 school year:

Steven Lindsay, Grade 7

Requestor: Michelle Lindsay

S. Lindsay

Learn-to-Swim
Appointments**Item 5.26: Learn-to-Swim**

Approved the following appointments for the 2010-2011 Learn-to-Swim program at the rates approved at the April 26, 2010 Board of Education Meeting:

<u>Barbara McKenna</u>	Director	\$ 24.00/hr
<u>Sarah Bjork</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr
	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Kaylee Barr</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
<u>Duncan Gentner</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Kelsey Saba</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr
	Assistant Lifeguard	\$ 7.25/hr.
<u>Kara King</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Sohee Rho</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Margaret Scatena</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Jacqueline Cunningham</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
	Assistant Lifeguard	\$ 7.25/hr.
<u>Leah Chatnik</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Lindsay Reohr</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Courtney Mamone</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Matthew Wilson</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Michael Schaffer</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Teresa Sapienza</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Stephenie Bintz</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
<u>Sarah Goss</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
	Lifeguard	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Kelly Flansburg</u>	Instructor	\$ 12.00/hr.
<u>Jonah Mackay</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Kyle Nichols</u>	Assistant Instructor	\$ 9.00/hr.
<u>Sarah Dykstra</u>	Assistant Lifeguard	\$ 7.25/hr.
<u>Rebecca Bablin</u>	Assistant Lifeguard	\$ 7.25/hr.
<u>Morgan Vandervort</u>	Assistant Lifeguard	\$ 7.25/hr.

Item 5.27: 2010 Summer Curriculum Projects

Approved the 2010 Summer Curriculum Projects as presented.

Summer 2010
Curriculum Projects

Item 5.28: Summer Appointments

Approved the following appointments for summer 2010:

Michael Ingleston, Custodial Worker Helper (student)

Rate: \$7.50 per hour (1st year)

Effective: July 6, 2010

Hours: Approximately 30 hours per week

**Summer
Appointments:**

M. Ingleston

Madison McGinnis, Middle/High School, Package Clerk

Effective: July 1, 2010

Salary: \$7.50/hour (approximately 60 hours)

M. McGinnis

Lyndi Cummings, Elementary School, Package Clerk

Effective: July 1, 2010

Salary: \$7.50/hour (approximately 40 hours)

L. Cummings

Cassidy Smith, Package Clerk (trainee)

Effective: July 1, 2010

Salary: \$7.50 (approximately 10 hours)

C. Smith

Item 5.29: Summer 2010 Continuing Education Program

Approved the following courses for the Summer 2010 Continuing Education program and approved

Vicky Bastian as instructor.

Course fees: \$25.00

**Summer 2010
Continuing
Education**

Water Aerobics (Beginner) June 29 – July 27, 2010 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Water Aerobics (Intermediate) July 1 – July 29, 2010 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Item 5.30: Custodial Appointments

Approved the following custodial appointments:

Gaetano Losavio, Middle/High School Custodial Worker

Effective: June 21, 2010 (3:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.)

Salary: Step 5 of UEV Contract (through June 26, 2011)

**Custodial
Appointments:**

G. Losavio

Howard Williman, Middle/High School Custodial Worker

Effective: June 21, 2010 (3:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.)

Salary: Step 5 of UEV Contract (through June 26, 2011)

H. Williman

Item 5.31: Custodial Substitute

Approved the appointment of Matthew Folmsbee as custodial worker substitute effective June 9, 2010.

Salary: Step 1 of UEV Contract

**Custodial
Substitute:**

M. Folmsbee

These items were pulled from the agenda for discussion and separate vote:

Item 5.20: Revision of 2010-2011 School Calendar

On motion by Mr. Kroencke, seconded by Mr. Coffin and carried unanimously, the Board revised the 2010-2011 school calendar (approved April 12, 2010) to reschedule Superintendent's Conference Day from Friday, March 25, 2011 to Wednesday, November 10, 2010.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS**

T. Reardon

Wednesday, November 10, 2010 Superintendent's Conference Day – no student classes

Friday, March 25, 2011 Classes will be in session

Mr. Blow wished to discuss designation of holidays on the school calendar. Mr. Gibson recommended adding the discussion of the school calendar under Item 8.8 on the agenda (*see below*).

Item 5.23: Change in Civil Service Title / Reduction in Hours

A motion was made by Mr. Coffin and seconded by Dr. Dozier to approve a change in Civil Title for Michelle Moss (elementary main office secretary) from Secretary I to Clerk I, part-time, effective June 8, 2010. Mrs. Moss's hours were reduced to 4 hours per day from 8 hours per day. The motion was passed by a 6-1 vote. Mr. Kroencke voted no.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Item 6.1: Elementary School Report, Thomas Reardon

- Announced that elementary school Field Day on June 17 will be restructured this year. All students will gather for traditional field day activities in the morning and break out into groups in the afternoon to continue the Spirit Day initiative started last October.
- Fourth grade students celebrated New York State Day on Friday, June 4.
- First and second grade teams are working with Kathy Fiero to prepare a pilot co-teaching math program for the 2010-2011 school year.

Item 6.2: Middle School Report, Brian Whitley

B. Whitley

Reported on the middle school movement toward alternative ways to assess students:

- Grade 6 students will work on a project that focuses on the issue of world population.
- Grade 7 students will participate in traditional assessments in several subjects in addition to completing a project-based activity, *Mission to Mars*, for science.
- Grade 8 students will participate in traditional assessments in Science and English.
- Civil War re-enactors set up a living history encampment on the fields next to the football field for the Grade 7 Civil War Day on June 4. Students engaged in a variety of different activities and workshops that spanned the entire school day.
- Fifth grade students were invited to Teen Night on June 4.
- Seventh graders will have their annual Boston field trip on June 11.
- The Moving Up and Awards Ceremony for grade 8 will be held on June 23 followed by a dance.

Item 6.3: High School Report, Mark Diefendorf

M. Diefendorf

- The award ceremony for students in grades 9, 10, and 11 will be held on Tuesday, June 8.
- Final exams begin on June 14
- Commencement will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 25.
- This was Mr. Diefendorf's final meeting as High School Principal. He said it was an honor and a privilege to have served Voorheesville as a teacher and administrator.

Item 6.4: Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Report, S. Winchell

S. Winchell

- The district has received a State Aid payment of \$938,000. We should be receiving the remainder of what is due by June 30.
- The bids for the elementary school reconstruction work came in at \$160,000 under what we had originally estimated.
- A Facilities Committee meeting will be called in order to review the proposals for the building condition survey.
- SED is reviewing the project to renovate the physics room. We are hoping to complete the work this summer.
- The Audit Committee will meet tomorrow evening to hear the internal audit report from Marvin & Company. They will also have the entrance meeting with Bonadio & Company.
- The auditor from the Office of the State Comptroller is still here. We hope to know by the end of the week how much longer the audit will take.

Item 6.5: Operations, Maintenance, and Transportation Report, M. Goyer

M. Goyer

- Reassured the Board that the air-conditioning units on the third floor of the elementary school are operating.
- Our newest bus mechanic, Richard Smith, has passed the CDL road test. He will be the new substitute driver for afternoon runs next year.
- A DOT inspection gave VCSD a 96% passing rate.

Item 6.6: Superintendent's Report, Teresa T. Snyder

T. Snyder

- As her first school year as Superintendent comes to an end, Dr. Snyder said it has been a marvelous year. She thanked her veteran administrative staff for their wisdom and historical memory.
- Dr. Snyder acknowledged those who will be retiring at the end of the school year and said they will be missed.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Item 7.1: Facilities Committee

Facilities

- No report.

Item 7.2: Curriculum Committee

Curriculum

- At the meeting on June 3, the committee reviewed summer curriculum proposals.
- Heard a proposal from Mr. Reardon on summer reading and offered some suggestions.

Item 7.3: Policy & Governance Committee

Policy & Governance

- Met June 1 to review the agenda for this evening's meeting.
- Also reviewed Policy 5251, Student Fund-Raising Activities.
- Existing Policy 6700, Purchasing, was reviewed and will be presented for revision in accordance with changes in the law.

Item 7.4: Audit Committee

Audit

- Will meet tomorrow evening:
Marvin & Company – will present their internal audit report
Bonadio & Company – will conduct their initial meeting before beginning their external audit next week.

Item 7.5: Evaluation Committee

Evaluation

- No report.

Communications

Item 7.6: Communications Task Force

- The task force met on June 3. Mr. Reardon reported on his experiment in using “Twitter” as a mechanism for communicating, which turned out to be difficult. The committee will meet one last time in July to discuss working with the press as a communication tool.

Communications

Item 8.1: Bond Resolution re: Purchase of Buses

On a motion by Mr. Kroencke, seconded by Dr. Dozier and carried unanimously, the Board approved the resolution authorizing the issuance of \$255,400 bonds of Voorheesville Central School District, Albany County, New York, to pay the cost of the purchase of buses for said school district. The complete resolution is included in the enclosure folder.

Bond Resolution:
Purchase of Buses

Item 8.2: Lydia C. Tobler Performing Arts Center

On a motion by Mr. Coffin, seconded by Dr. Henkel and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request of the Voorheesville Friends of Music to name the Performing Arts Center the Lydia C. Tobler Performing Arts Center in memory of Lydia C. Tobler. This recognition would honor Mrs. Tobler for her 35 years of service to the District as a music educator, department chairperson, humanities coordinator, and driving force behind the creation of the Performing Arts Center.

Naming of PAC

*Lydia C. Tobler
Performing Arts
Center*

On a motion by Mr. Kroencke, seconded by Dr. Dozier and carried the following items were approved:

Item 8.3: Renaming of the Jeff Clark Community Athletic Award

Approved renaming the Jeff Clark Community Athletic Award, given each year to a deserving student, the Clark Family Community Athletic Award. The criteria for this award will include recognition of compassion and good sportsmanship on the part of the athlete.

**Renaming of Jeff
Clark Community
Athletic Award**

Item 8.4.1: BOE Policy 5251 – Student Fund Raising Activities: First Reading

Approved the first reading of Policy 5251, Student Fund Raising Activities, as presented

First Reading:
*Student Fund
Raising Activities
(Policy 5251)*

Item 8.4.2: BOE Policy 6700 – Purchasing: Amendment

Approved amendments to Policy 6700, Purchasing, as presented.

Amendment:
*Purchasing
(Policy 6700)*

Item 8.5: Acceptance of Donations

The Board gratefully accepted the following donations:

- Helps Program in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the Elementary School.
- Box Tops for Education in the amount of \$385.60 for the Elementary School
- Voorheesville PTA in the amount of \$2,258.00 for the ES Humanities Program
- Voorheesville PTA in the amount of \$4,517.00 for the HS/MS Humanities Program

**Acceptance of
Donation**

Item 8.6: Budget Amendment – Gifts and Donations

Amended the 2009-2010 budget to allow for the expenditure of the Hannaford Helps Program gift donation to the District in the amount of \$1,000.00; the Box Tops for Education Program in the amount of \$385.60; and the Voorheesville PTA in the amount of \$6,775.00 (*for the Humanities Program*); and increased the revenue code A2705 to reflect the receipt of these funds.

**Budget
Amendment**

Budget code to be amended is:

Elementary School

Teaching Supplies K-6	\$ 1,000.00	A21105010198
Teaching Supplies K-6	\$ 385.60	A21105010198
Humanities Program	\$ 2,258.00	A21104160219

Middle School / High School

Humanities Program	\$ 4,517.00	A21104160119
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Item 8.7: Tenure Recommendations

On a motion by Mr. Kroencke, seconded by Dr. Dozier and carried unanimously, the following tenure recommendations were approved:

**Tenure
Recommendations**

8.7.1 Recommended Action on the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools, Teresa T. Snyder, subject to New York State Education Law §3013, the following person is appointed to tenure effective September 1, 2010, in the stated tenure area:

***Karen Conroy**
Reading K-12*

K. Conroy

8.7.2 Recommended Action on the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools, Teresa T. Snyder, subject to New York State Education Law §3013, the following person is appointed to tenure effective September 1, 2010, in the stated tenure area:

***Wayne Manchester**
Teaching Assistant*

W. Manchester

School Calendar
Discussion &
Revision**Item 8.8: School Calendar Discussion**

Discussion was held regarding the designation of holidays and recesses on the school calendar. On a motion by Mr. Blow, seconded by Mr. Kroencke and carried unanimously, the Board approved identifying specific holidays by their appropriate names (ex. Rosh Hashanah, Thanksgiving, Good Friday); vacation recesses will be given a broader designation (ex. Holiday Recess, Winter Recess, and Spring Recess). These revisions will be in effect for the 2010-2011 school calendar.

Opportunity for
Public to be Heard**Item 9.1: Opportunity for the Public to be Heard**

Jennifer Hampston addressed the Board regarding the following issues/concerns:

- The location of the graduation ceremony
- Thanked Mr. Gibson and Mr. Kroencke for their service as members of the Board of Education.
- Expressed concerns over the proposed Student Fund Raising policy and how it might affect the PTA fund raising efforts.

Note: The policy will be posted on the district website for public comment.

Opportunity for
Board to be Heard**Item 9.2: Opportunity for the Board to be Heard**

There were no comments

Miscellaneous**Item 11: Miscellaneous**

Budget Status Report: 07/01/09 – 04/30/10

Executive Session:
9:00 p.m.**Item 12: Executive Session**

On a motion by Mr. Coffin, seconded by Mr. Hubert and carried unanimously, the Board moved into Executive Session at 10:15 p.m. to discuss the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspensions, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Return to Regular
Session:
10:30 p.m.**Item 13: Return to Regular Session**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:30 p.m.

Adjournment:
10:33 p.m.**Item 14: Adjournment**

On a motion by Mr. Kroencke, seconded by Dr. Dozier and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 11:32 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Clerk, Board of Education