

Minutes

Board of Education

0708 #37

Minisink Valley Central School District
Board Meeting – October 11, 2007

A meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in ~~room 108 in the~~ middle school auditorium on October 11, 2007.

BOE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Ethel Crow, President
 Mr. John M. Lenane
 Mrs. Michelle McDonald
 Mr. Shawn O'Connor
 Mr. Robert Prokopchak
 Mrs. Gina Richichi
 Mr. Paul Rickard
 Mrs. Joan Romanyschyn
 Mr. Victor Vignola

DIST. PERSONNEL PRESENT: Dr. Martha Murray, Superintendent
 Mrs. Priscilla Holden, Asst. Superintendent for Business
 Mr. Sean Michel, Asst. Superintendent for Curr. & Instr.
 Mrs. Ruth Zuclich, Director of Pupil Personnel
 Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 105
PRESS: 1

President Crow called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Crow announced that the Welcome to the Visitors section would be moved until after the superintendent's report.

Visitors

President Crow acknowledged receipt of a resolution from the Town of Greenville opposing the proposed change in the attendance zone for the new Otisville Elementary School.

Dr. Murray gave a *Power Point* presentation detailing a recommendation to change the attendance zones for the new Otisville Elementary School beginning in September 2008.

Otis.
Project

MR. O'CONNOR ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:14 PM

President Crow welcomed comments from community members. Several community members spoke against the proposed change in attendance zones citing distance from the new school, length of the bus ride, religious instruction classes, sports teams, difficulty of change, method of notification, lack of answers, lack of choices, lack of planning, lack of familiarity with Otisville, taxes, contentment with present school, concern over property values, child care difficulties, having children on two different campuses, timeline for making the decision, and the looping program. Several community members offered alternative solutions including moving administration offices to the new school, using attrition to fill the school, giving parents the choice of schools, and maintaining the status quo. A few community members spoke in favor of the proposal citing their contentment with the Otisville school and the need to relieve the overcrowding on the Route 6 campus for educational reasons.

Visitors

The clerk acknowledged receipt of three petitions.

Petition

A motion was made by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mrs. McDonald and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, enters into executive session at 10:42 PM to discuss the employment history of a particular employee and a matter made exempt under federal law, FERPA. (9-0)

Exec.
Session

During executive session, the board of education discussed the employment history of a particular employee and a matter made exempt under federal law, FERPA.

A motion was made by Mr. Vignola, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and unanimously carried to resume public session at 12:30 AM. (9-0)

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mrs. Richichi and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 AM. (9-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda
District Clerk