

## Allamuchy Township Board of Education

The Special Meeting of the Allamuchy Township Board of Education held on September 15, 2009 is called to order at 7:37 p.m. in Room 149 by Fran Gavin. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of the meeting was provided and, to the extent known at the time of advance publication, the agenda items to be considered. Written advance notification of the time, date and location was sent on August 28, 2009 to the Township Clerk. Notice was posted in the school offices.

**I. ROLL CALL**

James Britt  
William Cramer  
Guy D'Esposito  
John Egan  
Brant Gibbs  
Robin Hubbard  
Michael Pelletier  
Mary Renaud  
Francis Gavin, President

**ALSO PRESENT** Dr. Timothy Frederiks, CSA

**II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - NONE**

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

**Finance – James Britt, Chair**

**A. Reject Bids – Boiler Replacement Project**

Moved by W. Cramer seconded by J. Egan

**BE IT RESOLVED**, to formally reject the Bids for Boiler Replacement at Rutherford Hall (opened 9/15/09) and authorize SSP to re-engineer the bid specs to be rebid. Once the new specs are received to advertise the

**Bids Received:**

Envirocom, LLC	\$125,782
Gabe Sganga, Inc.	\$162,563
H & S Construction & Mech.	\$ 98,000
Hobbie Heat & Power, Inc.	\$ 84,945
Mechanical Preservation Assoc.	\$114,000
T & M Brennan Contractors	\$119,000

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote

**Finance – continued:**

**B. Change Orders are tabled until the regularly scheduled BOE meeting on September 29, 2009**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ seconded \_\_\_\_\_  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, to approve project change orders: \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_  
per attached list. (Appendix 1)

CARRIED: TABLED

**Personnel – Mary Renaud, Chair**

**A. Resignation**

Moved by M. Renaud and seconded by G. D’Esposito \_\_\_\_\_  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, to accept, with regret and best wishes, the resignation of Mrs. Leala Baxter, Reading Specialist, retroactively effective September 1, 2009.

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote

**B. Classroom Teacher**

Moved by M. Renaud and seconded by G. D’Esposito \_\_\_\_\_  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, to rescind the appointment of Ms. Jennifer Chickey as a long term substitute teacher and to approve her as a classroom teacher for the 2009-2010 school year, BA Step 2, at an annual salary of \$42,025 with benefits as outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement, retroactively effective September 1, 2009.

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote

**C. Personal Aide**

Moved by M. Renaud and seconded by G. D’Esposito \_\_\_\_\_  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, to approve Mrs. Peggy Berutich as a personal aide for the 2009-2010 school year, Step 15 + 2 years, at an annual salary of \$26,350 with benefits as outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement, retroactively effective September 10, 2009.

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote

**Personnel – continued:**

**D. Instructional Aide**

Moved by M. Renaud and seconded by G. D’Esposito  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, to approve Mrs. Marianne Saks as a part time instructional aide and for the 2009-2010 school year, \$14.50 per hour (up to 19.75 hours per week), retroactively effective September 10, 2009.

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote

**E. Language Arts Literacy Teacher**

Moved by M. Renaud and seconded by G. D’Esposito  
**BE IT REOLVED**, to approve Mrs. Diane VanDongen as part time (19.75 hrs. per week) Language Arts Literacy Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year Step 1 BA at an annual salary of \$40,700 prorated, effective September 16, 2009. (Position partially funded through ARRA Funds.)

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Christine Kensicki asked the board about the status of the cell tower. She informed the BOE that she and others felt that there was a need for better communication between the administration and the pre-school parent community. She seemed unaware of the availability of information on the district’s web site.

Francis Gavin and John Egan assured Ms Kensicki repeatedly that the BOE was very sensitive to and respectful of possible concerns regarding the cell tower. Both board members made it clear to Ms. Kensicki that the Board and District Administration had thoroughly researched cell towers, especially with regard to perceived health issues. The Board concluded, after reading many different resources on the subject, that the health risk is minimal.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by W. Cramer and seconded by R. Hubbard  
**BE IT RESOLVED**, to adjourn.

CARRIED: Motion carried unanimously by voice call vote

Time: 8:15