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Present: Mrs. June Monaghan, President; Mrs. Stacy Agona; Mrs. Nina Quigley; Mrs. Janet Marinaccio  
Also Present: Dr. Frances Wills, Superintendent; Mrs. Barbara Briganti, Asst. Supt., Business & Tech.;  
Ms. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk  
Absent: Mrs. Lisa Tane, Vice President

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A meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, November 17, 2008 in the Middle School Theatre and was called to order by Mrs. Monaghan at 8: 04 p.m.

### **Student Recognition**

The following students received certificates of recognition:

Alex Omartian	Briarcliff High School Distinguished Student of the Month for October 2008
Alexandra Joannou	“ “
Edwin Poulton	“ “
Julie Gordon	“ “
Laura Kim	Outstanding HS Writer 2008 (NCTE) Achievement Awards
Madeline Peskoe	“ “
Margaret Blair	College Board AP Scholar
Nicole Castaneda	“ “
Daniel Egol	“ “
Erica Goldstein	“ “
Julie Gordon	“ “
Alexander Grant	“ “
Suzanne Molino	“ “
Tess Morgridge	“ “
Sean Ottomanelli	“ “
Andrew Paulmeno	“ “
Emily Pedowitz	“ “
Madeline Peskoe	“ “
Craig Schwartz	“ “
Jacqueline Sider	“ “
Gregory Slotnik	“ “
Natasha Socolof	“ “
Ryan Wilson	“ “
Evan Arbogast	College Board AP Scholar with Honor
Peter Hahn	“ “
Zehui He	“ “
Abigail Jablansky	“ “
Harrison Johnson	“ “
Abigail Knoff	“ “
Benjamin Loeb	“ “
Daniel Panagacos	“ “
Valerie Pucilowski	“ “
Jessica Tang	“ “
Elizabeth Cai	College Board AP Scholar with Distinction
Laura Kim	“ “

**Special Education Presentation**

Mrs. Debora Serio-Vaughan gave a powerpoint presentation on the restructuring of the special education department based on recommendations from a Special Education Study conducted in September 2008.

Question and comments were heard from the public.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley, seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0

**RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on November 3, 2008.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley and seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0,

**RESOLVED**, that the Board does hereby approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Appointment of Joshua Plaice as special education teacher aide for, Step 2, effective November 17, 2008.
- b. Appointment of Cindy Yaeger as Math Curriculum Leader at Todd School for the 2008-09 school year.
- c. Appointment of the following substitute teachers for the 2008-09 school year: Nathalie Bouthot, Christopher Flanagan, Wayne Groh, Laura Kelleher, Azemina Kraja, Allison Nigro, Susan Palmiotto, Christina Poggioreale, Steven Pollak, Elysa Prusnofsky, Victoria Sanacore, Seth Stone, Jennika Suero
- d. Accept leave of absence of Gene Coe effective October 29, 2008 through January 31, 2009.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley and seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0,

**RESOLVED**, that the Board does hereby adopt Policy # 7500 (Student Health) as amended.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley and seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0,

**RESOLVED**, that the Board does hereby approve the consultant contract with Tobin & Co., CPA to provide internal auditing services in the amount of \$9,500.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley and seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0, the following resolution was approved:

WHEREAS, Sleepy Hollow Country Club has brought tax certiorari petitions for the 2006 and 2007 assessment rolls; and

WHEREAS, there is a tentative agreement which will result in a refund of approximately \$660,040.99 and

WHEREAS, the town of Ossining has agreed to reduce those assessments;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that Board authorizes the School attorney to sign a stipulation consenting to a reduction of the assessment and

Authorizes the Assistant Superintendent of Business and Technology to refund taxes to Sleepy Hollow upon receipt of a signed court order.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley and seconded by Mrs. Agona, and passed 4-0,

**RESOLVED**, that the Board does hereby approve the increase to budget line A1930.4 (Judgment and Claims) in the amount of \$660,040.99.

The Board considered action regarding Audit Committee Membership and by consensus decided not to take action and tabled for the next meeting.

Comments and Questions were heard from the public.

The board reviewed the October 2008 Warrant # 4 Fund A; Warrant #5 Fund A; Warrant #4 Fund TA; Warrant # 3 Fund H.

On motion by Mrs. Quigley and seconded by Mrs. Agona, the Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.