A workshop and special meeting of the Queensbury School Board of Education was held on August 22, 2011 in the Administration Building Conference Room.

Mr. Raymond Gordon, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Mr. Raymond Gordon, President.

**Members Present:** Raymond Gordon, Timothy Weaver, Jill Crombie-Borgos, Cynthia Horgan (arrived at 7:02 p.m.), Frank Miller, Christopher Ogden, Superintendent of Schools Douglas W. Huntley, Clerk of the Board John S. DeSanto.

**Members Absent:** Doug Beaty, John Dwyer, Lisa Fedele,

**Others Present:** Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Theresa Middleton, High School Principal Kristine Orr, Middle School Principal Doug Silvernell, Middle School Assistant Principal Rich Keys, Elementary School Principal Patrick Pomerville, Elementary School Assistant Principal Jenn Ross, Director of Student Support Services Sherrie Moses, Director of Facilities and Operations Rob Chapman, Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics, John Staines – Turner Construction.

**Presentations:**

- **TEC-SMART Visit**
  
  Superintendent Huntley overviewed Queensbury’s visit to the TEC-SMART campus. On August 9th, thirty-four Queensbury administrators, board members, teachers and staff visited Hudson Valley Community College’s Semiconductor Manufacturing and Alternative and Renewable Technologies Training Center (TEC-SMART) located in Malta’s technology park adjacent to the GlobalFoundries FAB 8 facility. TEC-SMART features state-of-the-art classrooms and labs designed to train students in clean energy and green technologies.

  The visit included remarks, overviews and tours with representatives of Hudson Valley Community College, Congressman Gibson’s office, NYSERDA, Ballston Spa School District and the technology companies “ninfrastructure” and “tw telecom”. The tour ended with a drive to view the outside of the GlobalFoundries facility.

  The visit provided an opportunity to see the innovative programs for students being established and provides ideas when exploring technology options for Queensbury students. This visit provides Queensbury the opportunity to assess where we are and what we are doing with technology career strands along with the district’s relationship with SUNY Adirondack. The 21st Century requires more skilled workers with critical skills. Critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and communication skills are becoming more and more important in a fast-paced and competitive global economy.
• **Building Level Updates on Board Goals**
  Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Theresa Middleton, Director of Instructional Technology Matt Hladun, and the building level principals and assistant principals reviewed the “Data Dashboard” for each instructional building. Building level data, Preliminary School Report data, graduation rates, testing results and comparison data were discussed and analyzed by building.

• **International Baccalaureate Information**
  Superintendent Huntley presented information on the International Baccalaureate program and stated he is exploring this program for Queensbury. It will be a way to challenge our students at the highest level and to reach international standards. The program is a rigorous curriculum that is consistent with Queensbury’s core values. Queensbury is looking at the International Baccalaureate’s high school program, which is a two-year curriculum with courses in six subject areas: math, science, social science, English, foreign language, and art. These courses can supplant other courses at the high school. The district will be learning more about the program through a feasibility study and with visits to school districts that have the IB program.

**Open Forum**

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• None

**Business Items – Assistant Superintendent for Business**

Motion by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mr. Weaver, to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to enter into a time and materials agreement not to exceed $65,000 with Collett Mechanical, Inc., subject to approval by the school attorney, for the completion of unfinished plumbing work originally included in the contract with John V. Warren, Inc. as a result of an emergency created by an unforeseen occurrence by John V. Warren, Inc. which requires immediate action and cannot await competitive bidding.

6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ogden, to accept the revised following probationary appointment:

Kristine Fitch – School Secretary (assigned to WHBI AP Secretary & CSE Secretary) – Step 3 – **Effective 8/29/11**

6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)
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Motion by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mrs. Crombie-Borgos, to approve the appointment of the following substitute Support Staff for the 2011-2012 school year:

Linda Murphy - $10.37 per hour

6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)

Educational Items – Superintendent of Schools

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Weaver, to approve the following temporary appointment:

**Jennelle Miles**
Assignment: QMS - Math AIS Teacher
Rate: Level 1 BS
Effective: 9/6/11 – 6/30/12
Certification: Mathematics (Grades 7-12) - Initial

6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)

Motion by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mrs. Crombie-Borgos, to approve the following probationary appointment:

**Jessica Lyons**
Assignment: QHS School Counselor
Rate: Level 2 BA + 48 + MS + 10% for the 11 month
Effective: 9/6/11 – 9/5/14
Tenure Area: School Counselor
Certification: School Counselor (provisional)

6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)

Motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Ogden, to approve the following 2011-2012 coaching appointments:

**Fall**

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6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)
Board Member Comments:
- Board President Raymond Gordon stated he wanted to finalize the Board Retreat location. It was determined that the Board Retreat would be held at SUNY Adirondack at their Scoville Learning Center in the Bishop Community Room.
- Mr. Miller expressed concerns with the green area in front of the Middle School Building and it was stated that the front area was designed in accordance with the District’s Master Site Plan.

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- None

Informational Items:
- Board President
- Monday, August 22, 2011 – Board of Education Workshop/Special Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
  Location: Administration Building Conference Room
- Summer School Graduation – Wednesday, August 24, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.
  Location: Queensbury High School LGI
- Wednesday, August 31, 2011 – New Teacher Orientation – 8:00 a.m.
  Location: Administration Building Conference Room
- Opening Day – September 6, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. QHS Auditorium
- Monday, September 12, 2011 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
  Location: QES Cafeteria
- Monday, September 26, 2011 – Board of Education Retreat – 5:30 p.m.
  Location: SUNY Adirondack – Scoville Learning Center – Bishop Community Room

Executive Session: None

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Ogden, to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 p.m.

6 voting in favor, 3 absent (Mr. Beaty, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Fedele)

Respectfully submitted,

John S. DeSanto
Clerk of the Board