

**ROMULUS CENTRAL SCHOOL  
ROMULUS, NY 14541**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 6, 2012**

**7:00 P.M. – SOUTH SENECA CSD AUDITORIUM WITH  
THE SOUTH SENECA CSD BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**PRESENT: Robert McCann – President; Laurie Asermily – Vice President; Seth Brandow; Rebecca Jessop; Timothy Kuryla; James O. Somerville**

**ABSENT: Susan Backlund**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Michael J. Hoose – Superintendent; Leanne B. Keel – District Clerk; Tina Carlsen – CSEA President; Christopher Puylara – RFA President; Donna Newcomb; Karen Horvath; Linda Mastellar; Kara Mapstone; Lisa Heitmann; Dan Bowman; M/M Seils; Scott Jessop; Susan Porter – FLTIMES Reporter; Dr. William Silky – Consultant; Alan Pole - Consultant**

**OTHERS ABSENT: Robert J. Boulware – Business Manager**

Board Presidents, McCann (RCS) and DiPerna (SSCS) called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., welcomed guests and led the attendees in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. DiPernio then stated that the purpose of this historical “joint” Board of Education meeting was to have Dr. Silky and Mr. Pole, Educational Consultants from the firm of Castallo and Silky, present, in “open” session, the Merger Process over the next eight months.

The Consultants presented and reviewed their Power Point slides which addressed topics such as “Why reorganize”, Why would there be difficulties with this process”, How does the process begin and proceed”, What recommendations will the Consultant’s Report contain”, “How will the public be kept informed”. They also reviewed the Planning Timeline indicating that Advisory Committee meetings will be the next step in this Study, and will be held in “open” session.

Dr. Silky and Mr. Pole mentioned that within the next three to four weeks each District will form an Advisory Committee of equal numbers as follows:

- 2 teachers
- 1 administrator
- 1 support staff
- 5 residents

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A meeting schedule will be created to cover the following topics:

- Enrollment history and projections and class sizes
- All programs currently within a District; i.e., Academic, Extracurricular
- Transportation and facilities
- Staffing
- Finances
- A draft Report will be created by the Consultants addressing these categories.
- A presentation to each Board of Education of the final Report will be made by the Consultants.

Dr. Silky and Mr. Pole then held the Question and Answer segment which covered many areas of concern such as the impact a merger will have on property values, how contractual bargaining agreements will be handled, who decides on which BOCES the new District will belong to, etc.

Mr. McCann then thanked the South Seneca BOE for hosting this informational meeting, as well as the Consultants for sharing their knowledge.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m., made by Mr. Kuryla, seconded by Mr. Brandow, and carried unanimously.

LEANNE B. KEEL  
DISTRICT CLERK