

**PUTNAM CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

DATE: February 24, 2015

TYPE OF MEETING: Regular

PLACE OF MEETING: Putnam Central School

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Bain, Jr.; Jodie Bruce; Kristie Watrous and Farley Tierney, III

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew Boucher, Superintendent; Judith Forgette, Treasurer; and Kim Brown, Board Clerk

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by President, Charles Bain, Jr. at 6:37 p.m.
2. Public Application for Participation – None
3. Executive Session
Jodie Bruce made a motion and seconded by Farley Tierney, III to enter into Executive Session at 6:38 p.m. to discuss teacher negotiations. Motion carried 4-0

Jodie Bruce made a motion and seconded by Farley Tierney, III to come out of Executive Session at 8:49 p.m. Motion carried 4-0
4. Regular Reports
The minutes for the January meeting were presented by the clerk. Jodie Bruce made a motion and seconded by Farley Tierney, III to accept the minutes. Motion carried 4-0
5. Superintendents' Report- None
6. Correspondence- Board members received the winter 2015 NYSIR Legal Digest
7. Financial Reports
Treasurer's Reports- The treasurer's reports were presented.

A motion was made by Kristie Watrous and seconded by Jodie Bruce to approve the monthly accounts for January 2015 General; Trust and Agency; and Payroll Funds. Motion carried 4-0

Warrant Report #31 for January 2015 were audited by the auditor. A motion was made by Kristie Watrous and seconded by Jodie Bruce to approve the warrant. Motion carried 4-0
8. District Issues/Operation
8.1 After review of the Tax Collectors Report, a motion was made by Jodie Bruce and seconded by Farley Tierney, III to approve the Tax Collectors Report. Motion carried 4-0

8.2 RESOLUTION 2015-02-24

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Putnam Central School District as its February 24, 2015 meeting has authorized that the current maximum income earning levels for the Senior/Low Income and Disability exemption level be revised to concur with the levels approved by Washington County in November 2014. The revised income levels allow for an exemption of 50% with an annual income of \$24,000 or less with a sliding scale that terminates with an exemption of 5% with an annual income of \$32,400 or less. The exemption percentages step down between 50% and 5% as the income increases. This change will take effect for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried by Kristie Watrous and seconded by Jodie Bruce. Motion carried 4-0

9. Curriculum & Instruction

A motion was made by Jodie Bruce and seconded by Kristie Watrous to approve Samantha Sharrow being added to the substitute list. Motion carried 4-0

Acknowledge a paid leave of absence for Employee #49 for the period of May 11, 2015 through June 30, 2015.

10. New Business - None

11. Old Business

School Board Policy Book- Mr. Boucher advised that BOCES does not provide this service any longer. He will contact NYSSBA about pricing and contact Board Members.

Student internet usage night for middle and high school students-Mr. Boucher advised that several staff members have expressed interest for staffing. The internet use night will be on Tuesdays and run for two hours between 6-8 p.m. beginning March 3, 2015. Will not be held during vacation week. Letters will be mailed to parents. This is available to students residing in Putnam.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Farley Tierney, III and seconded by Jodie Bruce. Adjournment at 9:13 p.m. Motion carried 4-0

Kim Brown
Board Clerk