

EDUCATION, CULTURE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 10, 2010

The Education, Culture and Recreation Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Monday, May 10, 2010 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: S. Buchta (Chair), W. Howard, B. Klipsch, R. Materese, S. Messina

Members Absent: None

Others Present: L. Wise, BCPL; B. Fiaco, Parks & Recreation; D. Fauci, County Exec's Office; M. Kalka, M. Gerchman, Budget; D. Jenson, Visitor; G. Kirbassov, M. Ozer, proposed Binghamton Academy of Science Charter School; T. Hayali, Syracuse Academy of Science; D. Reynolds, C. Marion, E. Denk, J. Royer, C. Hall, Legislature

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:30 P.M. A motion was made to move the agenda by Mr. Materese, seconded by Mr. Howard.

The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A BOOKS AND BABIES PROGRAM  
GRANT FOR THE BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR 2010-2012  
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

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HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS SESSION:

#2010-187

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BROOME  
COUNTY COMMUNITY CHARITIES, INC FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND  
RECREATION FOR 2010

There was some discussion regarding the period of the agreement with Broome County Community Charities. It was stated that at the time the resolution was submitted there was no contract in place with the Village of Endicott for Broome County to operate the golf course but the Parks Department wanted to make sure a lease agreement was in place with Broome County Community Charities for 2010.

Mr. Materese stated that in May of 2009, Lena Bishop, Board Member from BAGSAI asked that the County pave a walkway from the handicapped parking spaces to the field. The request was considered and it was determined that it was not feasible at the time. The request is being reconsidered this year and the committee will be informed of the decision.

Mine Ozer and Galymzhan Kirbassov informed the committee that they have applied to the Board of Regents in Albany to open the Binghamton Academy of Science Charter School. Part of the application process is to meet with community leaders and elected officials and gain their support. The proposal is on file with the minutes. They stated the school will model the Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School. Mr. Hayali from the Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School stated that the school opened in 2003 as a non profit organization and it reports to the State. The school is comprised of grades 7-12 with 60 students in each grade and currently has a waiting list.

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion was made by Ms. Messina, seconded by Mr. Howard, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:04 P.M.