

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**January 16, 2014 @ 7:00 PM**  
**Gardner-Dickinson School Media Center**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mrs. Paone.

**1.1 Recording of Attendance**

The District Clerk called the roll:

Mr. Hug	Present
Mr. Lanese	Present
Mrs. Marsh	Present
Mrs. Paone	Present
Mrs. Dinan	Present

**1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the agenda

**1.3 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

- a. Approve December 19, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve the December 19, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Lanese seconded the motion

Motion carried 5/0

**1.4 Acceptance of District Treasurer's Report**

- a. Extra Classroom Activity Fund
- b. Treasurer's Monthly Report
- c. December 2013 Internal Audit Report

Mr. Hug made a motion to accept the District Treasurer's reports

Mrs. Marsh seconded the motion

Motion carried 5/0

**1.5 Approval of Building Use Requests**

There are no requests for January 2014

**1.6 Communications to the Board of Education**

Mrs. Paone acknowledged the receipt of the following correspondences:

Email from Shelby Nicholson, & Meredith Gavin

**1.7 Oath of Office for newly appointed Board Member Katrina Dinan**

Mrs. Dinan introduced herself to the parents, staff and community members.

Sharon Hillis, Board Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to Katrina Dinan

## **2.0 Reports to the Board of Education**

### **2.1 District / School Program Report**

- a. **Strategic Planning Committee Update** Mr. Bordick reported on the first meeting. The group opened with getting to know each other activities and ice breakers, they discussed the blue ribbon concept and being a Blue Ribbon School. Mrs. Marsh talked about the great group of folks who are on the committee and that the committee has very clear goals and will be moving along quickly. Mr. Lanese added how productive the group was, and that everybody was very respectful of everybody's ideas and thoughts. Mr. Bordick plans on having the committee present a draft of their work to the school board for review. Mr. Bordick concluded with that the goal would be to have the SPC meet yearly and be part of the school planning process. January 23, 2014 is the next meeting.
- b. **New York State Financial Aid** January 21<sup>st</sup> the numbers for State Aid will be released. Mr. Bordick reported we are in very good shape financially, but we do depend on state aid.
- c. **High School Fair** Mr. Bordick reported that the high school fair was a great success. Our school event was on the front page of the Times Union. Mr. Bordick thought it was a very positive experience for everybody. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will now be going to open houses and have a shadow day before they make their high school choice. Mrs. Marsh did hear some positive feedback on the day.
- d. **Little Red Open House** Open house is scheduled for Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m.

### **2.2 Board of Education Reports & Updates**

No reports & updates at this time

## **3.0 Appointments and Authorizations**

### **3.1 Review Recommendations and Approve Resource Allocation to CSE/CPSE**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve; Mrs. Marsh seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried: 4/0 (Mrs. Dinan abstained from the vote)

### **3.2 Adoption of Board Policies**

There are no Adoption of Board Policies for January 2014

### **3.3 First Reading of BOE Policies**

There are no First Readings of BOE Policies for January 2014

### **3.4 Approval of Substitutes**

There are no Substitute Request for January 2014

### **3.5 Approval of Volunteers**

There are no Volunteer Request for January 2014

### **3.6 Approval of Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests**

There are no Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests for January 2014

### **3.7 Accept the proposal of the Raymond C Preusser CPA auditing firm, to provide auditing services for the next two years at a cost not to exceed \$14,500 per year**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve; Mrs. Marsh seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried: 5/0

### **3.8 Accept \$200 donation from Palo Lombardi's Ristorante**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve; Mrs. Marsh seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried: 5/0

**3.9 Approve Anthony Giordano as a Student Teacher for band/music program**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve; Mr. Lanese seconded the motion.  
Motion Carried: 5/0

**4.0 Old Business**  
No Old Business

**5.0 New Business**  
No New Business

**6.0 Informational**

**6.1** Regular BOE Meeting February 13, 2014 at 7:00pm

**6.2** Strategic Planning Committee Members : Andy Lanese, Ann Marsh, Beth Bissell, Kate Cronin, Eric Strang, Jennifer Price, Karl Yager, Kristina Therrien, Lori Degiorgio, Matt Lutz, Mary Alice Newell, Mary Lou LeFevre, Meredith Gavin, Peter Mesh, Micheline Geise, Pat Gray, Phyllis Razzanno, Jean Marie Steffek, Susan Czubek, Mary Yodis, and Lee Bordick

Scheduled meetings: January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm February 6, 2014 at 7:00 pm

**6.3 Public Comment**

Jean Marie Steffek: Welcomed Mrs. Dinan to the board. Spoke on the progress with Mike Marcelle’s visit. Mike has spoken with staff and aides and just completed the observation part of his study.

Micheline Geise: Expressing words of thanks to everybody, and Mr. Bordick for his support and doing what is best for the school.

**7.0 Request for Executive Session for contracts and personnel**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to enter into executive session for contracts and personnel at 7:40 p.m.  
Mr. Lanese seconded the motion  
Motion Carried 5/0

**8.0 Return to Open Session**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to return to open session at 8:52 p.m.  
Mr. Hug seconded the motion  
Motion carried 5/0

**9.0 Adjournment**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to adjourn at 8:53 p.m.  
Mr. Lanese seconded the motion  
Motion Carried 5/0

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Hillis  
Clerk of the Board