

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
November 17, 2011  
GARDNER-DICKINSON SCHOOL  
MEDIA CENTER**

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

The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Mrs. Paone

**1.1 Recording of Attendance**

The District Clerk called the roll:

Mrs. Curran- present  
Mr. Hug- present  
Mr. Lanesey- present  
Mrs. Marsh – absent  
Mrs. Paone- present

Others Present: Ms. Christine Hamill, Superintendent

**1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions**

Ms. Hamill reviewed the Agenda

**1.3 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the October 20, 2011 minutes of the Board of Education

Mrs. Curran seconded.  
Motion carried: 4-0

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

Mrs. Curran made a motion to accept the District Treasurer's Report

Mr. Lanesey seconded.  
Motion carried: 4-0

**1.5 Approval of Building Use Requests**

No requests were presented for approval

**1.6 Royal Recognition**

The Board recognized the 2011-2012 Girls Soccer Team and the Cross Country Team. The Cross Country Modified Boys won 1<sup>st</sup> place at the 2011 Rensselaer County Meet. Congratulations to everyone.

**2.0 Reports to the Board of Education**

**2.1 Communications to the Board of Education**

Denise Fitzgerald, School Tax Collector.

Mrs. Fitzgerald reported the 2011-2012 Wynantskill School Tax Report

## **2.2 Principal's Report**

Superintendent Hamill reported the Parent-Teacher Conferences recently held had a very good turn out. The required Emergency Early Release Drill was done on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

Questar III held a training session on CPR/AED Certification and held an Incident Command Session for required members of the staff.

## **2.3 Board of Education Reports and Updates**

Superintendent/Principal Search.

Mrs. Paone reviewed the timeline on the Superintendent/Principal Search. An Advisory Committee of 9 Community Members and Staff held interviews over 3 days to 11 potential candidates and reported their evaluations to the Board. The Board then narrowed down the candidates to 6 and held interviews over 2 days. 2 finalists have been selected. They will meet with school department heads and tour the school on Tuesday, November 22. The Board should have their final candidate selected within 1-2 weeks. The Board wishes to thank the Advisory Committee Members for their time and input.

## **2.4 Board Committee Reports**

None

## **2.5 Building and Grounds Report**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the quarterly Buildings and Grounds Report from Neal Benassi, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor

## **2.6 Transportation Report**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the quarterly Transportation Report from Bonnie Cole, Transportation Supervisor

## **2.7 PTO Report**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the November PTO Minutes

## **3.0 Appointments and Authorizations**

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

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the Resource Allocations to CSE/CPSE

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

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

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following Board Policies

2100-School Board Legal Status (replaces 2100, 2110 and 2111)

2120-School Board Elections (replaces 2120 & 2120.1)

2120.2-Voting Procedures

2120.2-E Application for Absentee Ballot Pursuant to Sec 2018-a and 2018-b of Education Law

2521-School Board Conferences, Conventions, Workshops

5280-Interscholastic Athletes (new)

6621-Reserve Funds

### 3.2 Adoption of Board Policies cont.

Removal of Out Dated / Non Applicable Policies  
4010-Equivalence in Instructional Staff and Materials  
4315-E – Health Education Exhibit

Mr. Lanesey seconded  
Motion carried: 4-0

### 3.3 First Reading of Board Policies/Plans

The following policies were presented to the Board for review:

2121-Board Member Qualifications  
4311.1-Display of Flag (No Change-Review Only)  
4311.1-R-Display of Flag Regulation (New)  
4315- Health Education (No Change-Review Only)  
4317-Teaching about Drugs, alcohol, Tobacco – (Updated - Revised)  
4326-Limited English Proficiency Instruction (No Change-Review Only)  
4850-Animals in the Schools (New-Required)  
5420-Student Health Services (revision)  
5420-R Student Health Services Regulation (revision)

### 3.4 Approval of Substitutes

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following substitutes for 2011-2012 school year:

Certified Teacher:  
Daniel McHale                      Elementary Ed. Gr. 1-6

Removal of Inactive Substitute:

Certified Teacher:  
Elizabeth Bornhorst              Elementary Ed. Gr. 1-6                      FT position elsewhere

Mr. Lanesey seconded  
Motion carried: 4-0

### 3.5 Approval of Volunteers

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the following volunteers for 2011-2012 school year:

<u>Volunteer</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Days/Week</u>	<u>Time</u>
Stacey Noel	2	Cronin	1-2 days/wk	9a-10a/or 2p

Mrs. Curran seconded  
Motion carried: 4-0

### 3.6 Approval of Transportation Requests

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve a Transportation Request as presented

Mr. Lanesey seconded  
Motion carried: 4-0

### **3.7 Approve Disposition of Inventory**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the Disposition of Inventory as presented

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

### **3.8 Approval of Fulltime Bus Driver effective 11/17/11**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve Mr. Ray Etman as Fulltime Bus Driver effective November 17, 2011

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

### **3.9 Approval of additional Odyssey of the Mind Team for 2011-2012**

Mrs. Curran made a motion approve adding a 4<sup>th</sup> Odyssey of the Mind Team for the 2011-2012 school year

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

### **3.10 Approve additional Girls Modified Basketball Coach as per WTA Contract**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve Mr. Bob DeBenedetti ad Girls Basketball Co-Coach effective Nov. 14, 2011 per WTA Contract

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

### **3.11 Approve Appointment of Business Official Consultant beginning Dec. 01, 2011 through June 30, 2012**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to appoint Ms. Gail Lathrop as Business Official Consultant effective Dec.01, 2011 – June 30, 2012 @ \$55.00/hr, not to exceed \$15,000

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

## **4.0 Old Business**

### **4.1 District Goals**

The Board reviewed the District Goals as presented by Superintendent Hamill

### **5.0 New Business**

### **5.1 Review of Draft 2012-2013 District Budget Calendar**

### **5.2 Property Tax Cap Update**

Superintendent Hamill discussed the Property Tax Cap mandated by the Governors Office. The Board asked that any information pertaining to the Property Tax Cap be made available via links on the School Web Page as they become available so that the public can be kept informed

## **6.0 Informational**

### **6.1 Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education: December 15, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Library / Media Center**

### **6.2 Public Comment**

1. Mrs. Hancock, Faculty/WTA President. Mrs. Hancock asked for the Board timeline in selecting the Superintendent/Principal finalist.

Mrs. Paone stated within 2 weeks

2. Mrs. Steffek, Faculty/CSE Chair. Mrs. Steffek commented that she was pleased with the timeliness of the Board appointment of a Business Official Consultant to allow for a successful transition with Superintendent Hamill due to her Retirement in January 01, 2012

### **7.0 Request for Executive Session to discuss Personnel**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel at 8:05pm

Mrs. Curran seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

### **9.0 Adjournment**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Fazioli  
Clerk of the Board