

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Nov. 18, 2010  
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 7:45 p.m. by Mrs. Paone

**1.1 Recording of Attendance**

The District Clerk called the roll:

Mrs. Casale- Present  
Mrs. Curran- Present  
Mr. Lanese- Present  
Mrs. Marsh – Present  
Mrs. Paone- Present

Others Present: Ms. Christine Hamill, Superintendent  
: Mr. Jack Lynskey, Principal  
: Stephanie Carbone, Acting CSE Chairperson

**Agenda Change: The board will do the presentations for Royal Recognition first.**

**1.6 Royal Recognition**

The Board recognized the 2010 Boys and Girls Soccer Teams

**1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions**

Ms. Hamill reviewed the Agenda.

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

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the minutes from:

October 14, 2010 Regular Meeting  
October 25, 2010 Special Meeting  
November 01, 2010 Special Meeting

Mrs. Curran seconded.  
Motion carried: 5-0

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

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

Mr. Lanese seconded.  
Motion carried: 5-0

## **1.5 Approval of Building Use Requests**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the Building Use Request as presented (attached)

Mrs. Marsh seconded.

Board discussion: the board has denied this request as it does not meet District Building Use Policy Criteria

Motion denied: 5-0

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

### **2.1 Principal's Report**

The new report cards are finished. Parents received a copy in a mailing earlier this month. There was some discussion in regards to the timing of the parent-teacher conferences and the availability of the report cards. The district was very pleased with the basketball coaching candidates.

### **2.2 Building and Grounds Report**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the Buildings and Grounds Report from Neal Benassi, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor (see attached)

### **2.3 Transportation Report**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the Transportation Report from Bonnie Cole, Transportation Supervisor (see attached)

### **2.4 Board of Education Report**

Mr. Lanese gave a report on the 2 day New Board Member Workshop he attended in September. It was very informative. The workshop was presented by the New York State School Boards Association.

### **2.5 PTO Report**

Mrs. Paone reviewed the PTO Report from Michelle LaVoy, PTO President (see attached)

### **2.6 Communications to the Board of Education:**

Denise Fitzgerald, School Tax Collector, gave report on 2009 School Taxes collected  
Scott Preusser, External Claims Auditor, presented the 2009-2010 External Auditors Report

## **3.0 Appointments and Authorizations**

### **3.1 Approval of recommendations of CSE/CPSE**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve the recommendations of CSE/CPSE

Mrs. Curran seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

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

No policies were presented for adoption

### **3.3 First Reading of Board Policies/Plans**

No policies were presented for review

### **3.4 Approval of Substitutes**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following individual(s) as Substitute Teachers for 2010-2011 school year

Mrs. Marsh seconded.

<u>Name</u>	
Kristin McGivern	Teacher Aide

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.5 Approval of Volunteers**

Mrs. Casale made a motion to approve Michelle French as 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Odyssey of the Mind Coach Volunteer for 2010-2011 school year

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

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

There were no additional non-public transportation requests

### **3.7 Approval of 2009-2010 External Auditors Report**

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 External Auditors Report presented by Mr. Scott Preusser, CPA

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.8 Approval of 2011-2012 Budget Calendar**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve the 2011-2012 Budget Calendar as presented.

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.9 Extension of Superintendent's Contract**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the Extension of the Superintendent's Contract thru December 31, 2011

Mr. Lanesey seconded.

Motion carried: 4-1 (Mrs. Casale)

### **3.10 Resignation for Purpose of Retirement**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to accept the Resignation for Purpose of Retirement from Christine Hamill effective January 01, 2012.

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.11 Contract for Services**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve the Contract for Superintendent Search Services with Questar III.

Mr. Lanesey seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.12 Extension of Unpaid Leave of Absence**

Mrs. Casale made a motion to extend the Unpaid Leave of Absence to Erin Pytell effective November 30, 2010 to June 23, 2011

Mrs. Curran seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.13 Extension of Substitute Leave of Absence Position**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve the extension of Christine Walsh as Leave of Absence Teacher Aide Substitute effective November 30, 2010 thru June 23, 2011.

Mr. Lanesey seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.14 Appointment of 2010-2011 Basketball Coaches**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion appoint the following individuals for 2010-2011 Basketball Coaching Positions:

Boys Coaches:	Mr. Richard Randall	Mr. James Kahler
Girls Coaches:	Mr. Richard Jones	Ms. Monica Goyette

Mr. Lanesey seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.15 Appointment of 2010-2011 Basketball Home Game Chaperones**

Mr. Lanesey made a motion appoint the following individuals for 2010-2011 Basketball Home Game Chaperones:

Amy Murphy  
Kate Cronin  
Jeannine Mitchell  
Kelli Griffin

Mrs. Casale seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.16 Approve Medical Leave of Absence**

Mrs. Casale made a motion to approve Medical Leave of Absence to Jean Marie Steffek effective November 08, 2010 to January 10, 2011

Mr. Lanesey seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.17 Appoint Leave of Absence CSE Chair**

Mrs. Casale made a motion to appoint Stephanie Carbone as CSE Chairperson effective November 08, 2010 to January 10, 2011

Mr. Lanese seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.18 Appointment of Speech and Language Therapist**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion appoint Irene Tendler as Speech and Language Therapist at \$60.00/hr for 4.5 hrs/day effective November 09, 2010 to January 10, 2011.

Mr. Lanese seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.19 Approve Increase in Hours for Special Education Teacher**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to increase the hours of Monica Goyette, Special Education Teacher from Part Time (.75) to Full Time effective November 08, 2010 to January 10, 2011 (Steffek)

Mr. Lanese seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.20 Approve Special Education Leave of Absence Teacher**

Mr. Lanese made a motion appoint Andrew Lefebvre as Full Time Leave of Absence Special Education Teacher @ Step 1 effective November 09, 2010 to April 08, 2011

Mrs. Casale seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.21 Abolish Part Time Aide Position**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to abolish the Part Time (3.5 hrs/day) Teachers Aide Position effective

Mrs. Marsh seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.22 Approval of Construction Change Orders**

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the construction change orders as presented

Mrs. Curran seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

### **3.23 Authorization to Pursue Transportation Grants as part of Consortium**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to pursue Transportation Grants as part of a Consortium

Mr. Lanese seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

## **4.0 Old Business**

### **4.1 District Ad Hoc Committee Update, Dave Sicko, Facilitator**

The Ad Hoc Committee has met four times so far. A summary of all meetings can be found on the district web page. They will meet next on December 13, 2010.

#### **4.2 District Construction Project Closeout Report, Mark Landon & Peter Ryan, CS Arch**

Mr. Landon gave a summary of all three phases of the construction project. The project did come in under budget and the district was able to add additional features to compliment a beautiful job. There are 2 State mandated items left-Building and Conditions Survey due in January 2011 and a Long Range Plan due in June 2011 which CS Arch will prepare.

#### **5.0 New Business**

##### **5.1 Race to the Top Update – Superintendent Hamill**

##### **5.2 Board Presentation: Character Education – Jack Lynskey, Principal**

#### **6.0 Informational**

##### **6.1 Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education: December 16, 2010 at 7:30 pm in the Library / Media Center**

##### **6.2 Public Comment (None)**

#### **7.0 Request for Executive Session**

Mrs. Curran made a motion to enter Executive Session at 9:25 pm  
Mr. Lanese seconded.  
Motion carried: 5-0

#### **8.0 Board returned from Executive Session at 10:00 pm**

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to return to open session at 10:00 pm  
Mrs. Curran seconded.  
Motion carried: 5-0

#### **9.0 Adjournment**

Mrs. Casale made a motion to adjourn at 10:10 pm  
Mr. Lanese seconded  
Motion carried: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Fazioli  
Clerk of the Board