

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 18, 2012
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 7:15 p.m. by Mrs. Marsh

1.1 Recording of Attendance

The District Clerk called the roll:

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

Others Present: Dr. Lisa Henkel, Superintendent/Principal

1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions

Dr. Henkel reviewed the Agenda. The Superintendent requested the board table item 3.1 on the agenda until the November 15, 2012 board meeting.

1.3 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the September 13, 2012 minutes of the Board of Education:
Mr. Lanese seconded.
Motion carried: 3-0

1.4 Acceptance of District Treasurer's Report

Mr. Lanese made a motion to accept the District Treasurer's Report
Mrs. Curran seconded.
Motion carried: 3-0

1.5 Approval of Building Use Requests

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following building use requests
Mr. Lanese seconded

<u>Group Name</u>	<u>day of week</u>	<u>dates</u>	<u>area</u>	<u>time</u>
St. Judes CYO	Monday	10/22/12-03/22/13	Gym	5:00p-9:00p
St. Judes CYO	Thursday	10/22/12-03/22/13	Gym	5:00p-7:00p
St. Judes CYO	Friday	10/22/12-03/22/13	Gym	5:00p-7:00p
Classie Lassie Team 1	Friday	11/09/12-03/22/13	Gym	7:00p-9:00p
Classie Lassie Team 2	Tuesday	10/22/12-04/30/13	Gym	5:00p-7:00p
Classie Lassie Team 3	Wednesday	11/07/12-04/24/13	Gym	5:00p-7:00p
Classie Lassie Team 4	Thursday	11/01/12-03/28/13	Gym	7:00p-9:00p
EC Bomber Softball	Tuesday	10/23/12-04/30/13	Gym	7:00p-9:00p
Averill Park Soccer Club	Wednesday	01/02/13-03/27/13	Gym	7:00p-9:00p

Motion carried: 3-0

NOTE: Mr. Hug arrived at 7:25 p.m.

1.6 Communications to the Board of Education: 2011-2012 External Audit Report, Mr. Scott Preusser

Mr. Preusser met with the audit Committee on October 18, 2012. He reported the district is in a strong financial position. The required corrective action plan will need to be filed in 90 days. The Audit Committee will meet to respond within the 90 day time period.

1.7 Royal Recognition

School Board Recognition Week. Dr. Henkel thanked the board members for their time and commitment to the district.

2.0 Reports to the Board of Education

2.1 District / School Program Report: Dr. Henkel

Gail Lathrop, Business Official Consultant, had a preliminary meeting with the architect and electrical engineers to begin discussion on the upgrading of the districts technology infrastructure project. The study of the current technology infrastructure as well as the upgrades needed for the district to continue to be up to date in the technology area.

Superintendent's Conference Day, Friday, October 5, 2012

The faculty attended 3 different workshops or seminars during the Superintendent's Conference Day.

K-6 Faculty and Staff a Math in Focus workshop, Special Area Faculty and Staff attended a Literacy in content workshop and Middle School Faculty and Special Area Staff attended Tech Valley HS in the afternoon for a Project Based Learning Tour.

Fire Prevention Week October 8-12, 2012

On October 10 the Wynantskill Fire Department conducted the annual fire prevention drill at Gardner Dickinson. The Fire Department came to the school in full gear and gave two age appropriate assemblies (K-4 & Gr 5-8) to the students. Thank you to Capt. John O'Bomsawin and his firemen for their dedication and service to the school and the community. As part of fire prevention week, Cap Com Credit Union had a fire safety poster contest for the local school districts. Over 200 posters were entered. Congratulations to the winner, Tyler Quinn in Ms. Cronin's second grade class! Please view the district's web page to see the great picture montage from this informative and fun event. Thank you to Mrs. Hancock and Mr. Lutz for the new web page additions.

K-3 Faculty attended a full day Literacy workshop on October 18 and Grade 4-8 will have a workshop on October 25.

APPR Plan Update

Dr. Henkel met with the WTA representatives and the APPR Committee to finalize and come to an agreement on the required APPR Plan. There are only a few areas in need of clarification. The committee will meet again shortly. The WTA has agreed to a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) regarding the APPR Plan. Dr. Henkel thanked the WTA and the APPR Committee for all their time and hard work on the plan.

2.2 Board of Education Reports and Updates

No reports were given

2.3 Board Committee Reports

No reports were given

2.5 PTO Report

The PTO October minutes can be viewed on the district web page

3.0 Appointments and Authorizations

3.1 Review Recommendations and Approve Resource Allocations to CSE/CPSE

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the Resource Allocations to CSE/CPSE

Mrs. Curran seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

3.2 Adoption of Board Policies

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the re-adoption and revision of the following Board Policies:
Mr. Lanese seconded

1500 Public Use of Facilities
1500-E Public Use of Facilities Fee Schedule

Discussion: Mrs. Marsh stated the wording of the policy 1500 is correct. The Board requested to omit line four from policy 1500-E under fee schedule section.
The policy will be effective today for any new applications received. The groups that were approved tonight will not be affected this year.

Motion carried: 4-0

3.3 First Reading of Board Policies/Plans

No policies were presented for first reading

3.4 Approval of Substitutes

No Substitute applications were presented for approval

3.5 Approval of Volunteers

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following volunteers for 2012-2013 school year:
Mr. Lanese seconded

Grade	Teacher	Days/Week	Time	Volunteer
K-1		Fridays	12:45p-1:45p	Anne Malak
K	Moak	Wednesday's	8:00a-12:00p	Tammy Keenan

Motion carried: 4-0

3.6 Approval of Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests

No requests were presented for approval

3.7 Approval of 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 2011-2012 External Audit Report

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the 2011-2012 External Audit Report as presented by Mr. Scott Preusser, External Auditor for the district

Mrs. Curran seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

3.9 Approval of Tutors for 2012-2013 School Year

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following tutors for the 2012-2013 school year:

Mr. Lanese seconded

**Samantha Adams
Lauren Curran
Gary Gustin
Elizabeth Jamison
Jennifer Kelleher
Peter Mesh**

Motion carried: 4-0

3.10 Approval of Extra Curricular Coaches for 2012-2013 School Year

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following coaches for the 2012-2013 school year:

Mr. Lanese seconded

Boys Basketball	Dan McHale
Girls Basketball	Bob DeBenedetti

Motion carried: 4-0

3.11 Approval of Per Diem Reading Teacher at \$100.00/day effective October 22, 2012-June 30, 2013

This agenda item has been tabled to the November 13, 2012 meeting.

4.0 Old Business

None

5.0 New Business

5.1 Board Presentation: Mr. Bill Halterman, Questar III Data Analyst

Mr. Halterman has been working with our Data Team on Data Driven Instruction. Mr. Halterman gave a presentation explaining the new assessment requirements from NYSED and the challenges that all districts are facing to be able to not only meet these requirements but also have the right programs in place to target the students who have fallen below the required proficiency levels.

Discussion: Dr. Henkel wanted to thank the faculty for their dedication to our students and because of their dedication; our district has scored very well on the assessment tests. There is still work to be done in targeting the students who have fallen below level and our faculty and staff has been diligent in recognizing these groups

6.0 Informational

6.1 Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education: November 15, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Library / Media Center

6.2 Public Comment

1. Mrs. Steffek, Faculty. Mrs. Steffek wanted to acknowledge the hard work being done by her colleagues this year. As a member of the data team, she is very encouraged about their progress with reducing the number of students needing RTI services.

2. Jeanine Mitchell, Faculty	No Comment
3. Lauren Curran, Faculty	No Comment
4. Martha Ryan, Faculty	No Comment

5. Lisa Hancock, WTA President. Mrs. Hancock, on behalf of the WTA, appreciated the letter received from Board President, Andrea Paone, in response to the WTA letter. The WTA met with Dr. Henkel on October 15 to continue APPR discussions.. The WTA is confident a Memorandum of Agreement can be made.

6. Mr. Gino Perrotti, Parent. Mr. Perrotti asked for the district to look into the bus run in his neighborhood. He would like his child dropped off closer to his home. Dr. Henkel will contact our Transportation Supervisor to look into this.

7.0 Request for Executive Session

Mrs. Curran made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

Mr. Lanesey seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

9.0 Adjournment

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to adjourn at 9:30 pm

Mrs. Marsh seconded

Motion carried: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Fazioli

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Clerk of the Board