

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Sept. 16, 2010
GARDNER-DICKINSON SCHOOL
MEDIA CENTER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mrs. Curran made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:10 p.m.
Mr. Lanese seconded
Motion carried: 4-0

Note: Mrs. Paone arrived at 6:45 p.m.

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to enter into Open Session at 7:30 p.m.
Mrs. Casale seconded
Motion carried: 5-0

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:35 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
: Mrs. Jean Marie Steffek, CSE/CPSE Chair

Public: 16

1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions

Ms. Hamill reviewed the Agenda.

1.3 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Mrs. Casale made a motion to approve the minutes from the Aug. 19, 2010 Meeting of the Board of Education.

Mrs. Marsh seconded.
Motion carried:

1.4 Acceptance of District Treasurer's Report

Mr. Lanese made a motion to accept the District Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Marsh seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

1.5 Approval of Building Use Requests

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

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

1.6 Communications to the Board of Education: Building Project Update: Peter Ryan, CS Arch

Mr. Ryan reported the on-site work is essentially completed as is the interior work. The Kitchen is up and running. The refrigerators have been installed as well as the new counter tops. Plumbing / electrical is 99% finished. The playground will have the final piece of equipment installed by the end of the month.

1.7 Royal Recognition

None

2.0 Reports to the Board of Education

2.1 Principal's Report

Mr. Lynskey thanked the PTO for all their wonderful work and support especially with the student agenda books. They really did a great job this year. Mr. Lynskey has been holding middle school assemblies. Soccer season has started. Open house will be held Sept. 21-22.

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, Interim Transportation Supervisor (see attached)

2.4 Board of Education Report

Board Retreat. The board held their annual retreat on August 20 at Questar Boces Center. Items covered were board planning, priorities, sub committees were formed and goals were discussed.

2.5 PTO Report

Mrs. Lavoy reviewed the PTO Report

3.0 Appointments and Authorizations

3.1 Approval of recommendations of CSE/CPSE

Mrs. Casale 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

No applications were presented for approval

3.5 Approval of Volunteers

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

Mrs. Casale seconded.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Day of week</u>	<u>Volunteer</u>
1	Moak	daily	Mary Lou LeFevre

Motion carried: 5-0

3.6 Approval of Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests as presented

Mrs. Curran seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

3.7 Approval of Construction Change Order(s)

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

Mrs. Marsh seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

3.8 Approval of One Year Contract Extension with Chartwells Food Service

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve one year contract extension with Chartwells Food Service

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

3.9 Approval of 12 week unpaid Leave of Absence under FMLA

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to approve a 12 week unpaid leave of absence for Erin Pytell under the FMLA effective Sept. 07, 2010 to Nov. 30, 2010

Mrs. Curran seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

3.10 Appointment of Leave of Absence Substitute

Mrs. Curran made a motion to appoint Christine Walsh as leave of absence Substitute Teacher Aide effective Sept. 7, 2010 to Nov. 30, 201 @ \$10.50/hour

Mrs. Marsh seconded.
Motion carried: 5-0

3.11 Approve Creation of Full Time Bus Driver Position

Mr. Lanese made a motion to create a Full Time Bus Driver Position

Mrs. Marsh seconded.
Motion carried: 5-0

3.12 Approve Full Time Bus Driver

Mrs. Curran made a motion to appoint Ralph Hansen as Provisional Full Time Bus Driver effective Sept. 13, 2010 @ \$13.61/hr.

Mrs. Curran seconded
Motion carried: 5-0

3.13 Approval of Additional Extra-Curricular Advisors / Coaches for 2010-2011 School Year

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following additional Extra-Curricular Advisors and Coaches for the 2010-2011 School Year.

Mrs. Marsh seconded

Yearbook Advisor	Mrs. Kristin Morrow
Girls Soccer Coach	Ms. Samantha Adams
Boys Soccer Coach	Mr. James Kahler

Motion carried: 5-0

3.14 Approval of Tutors for 2010-2011 School Year

Mrs. Curran made a motion to approve the following as Tutors for the 2010-2011 School Year

Mr. Lanese seconded

Samantha Adams	Jennifer Kelleher
Kate Cronin	Peter Mesh
Monica Goyette	Martha Ryan
Kelli Griffin	Jean Marie Steffek

Motion carried: 5-0

3.15 Approval in Increase to 2009-2010 General Fund Budget

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve an increase to the 2009-2010 General Fund Budget by \$329,550 for payment of BAN Principal and Interest using excess fund balance as source of funding based on prior BOE approval

Mrs. Curran seconded
Motion carried: 5-0

3.16 Approval of Bus Contract

Mrs. Marsh approved the transport contract with Brown Transport in the amount of \$9,250 for 2010-2011 School Year

Mr. Lanese seconded

Motion carried: 5-0

4.0 Old Business

4.1 District Planning for the Future Ad Hoc Committee Update

The Ad Hoc Committee on Planning for the Future met on Sept. 13, 2010. It was a very productive meeting. Future meeting dates were confirmed. A representative from State Aid Planning will attend the next meeting. Other presenters will be scheduled at future meetings. Facilitators, Mr. Dave Sicko and Mr. Jeff Baltes will update the Board of Education at the October Meeting.

4.2 Response to Letter

Mrs. Paone reported that a letter responding to a multi-questioned letter received from a group of concerned third grade parents has been drafted. The Board will make final edits and the response letter will be mailed the week of Sept. 20, 2010

5.0 New Business

5.1 Board Presentation: Student Achievement Data & Response Plans: Kristin Morrow, Curriculum Coordinator

6.0 Informational

6.1 Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education: Oct. 14, 2010 at 7:30 pm in the Library / Media Center

6.2 Public Comment

1. Mrs. Mary Lou LeFevre, Parent. Mrs. LeFevre expressed concern with the Bus Schedule. She feels her 1st grade child arrives late daily in the morning.

Superintendent Hamill responded that she would contact Mrs. Cole, Transportation Supervisor, to investigate.

2. Mr. Eric Strong, Parent. Mr. Strong asked for guidance from the Board as to who to contact with a traffic issue he is having on Church St. in Wynantskill. He stated the vehicles drive too fast near a blind curve where his child waits for the bus and asked if the district could contact the highway department.

Superintendent Hamill said she would contact the Town and also speak with Mrs. Cole, Transportation Supervisor.

7.0 Request for Executive Session

Mrs. Marsh made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:45 pm

Mr. Lanese seconded.

Motion carried: 5-0

Note: Mrs. Casale did not attend Executive Session

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
Mr. Lanese seconded.
Motion carried: 4-0

9.0 Adjournment

Mrs. Curran made a motion to adjourn at 10:01 pm
Mrs. Marsh seconded
Motion carried: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Fazioli
Clerk of the Board