

WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
September 20, 2018 @ 7:00 PM
Gardner-Dickinson School Media Center
Minutes

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mr. Lanesey.

1.1 Record of Attendance

Mrs. Castle	Present
Mr. Hirokawa	Absent
Mr. Lanesey	Present
Mrs. Mack	Present
Mr. Strang	Present

1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Dr. Reardon reviewed the agenda.

1.3 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. August 23, 2018

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the August 23, 2018 regular meeting minutes.
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
Motion carried 4/0.

1.4 Acceptance of Financial Reports

- a. Internal Claims Auditor's Report (August 2018)
- b. Monthly Treasurer's Report with Budget Transfers (July & August 2018)

Mr. Strang made a motion to approve the District Treasurer's Financial Reports.
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
Motion Carried 4/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon "Scott Preusser will be joining us for the November 15, 2018 BOE meeting to report on the district finances".

1.5 Visitors and Communication

- a. Communications to the Board of Education
 - i. Email from district parent

Mr. Lanesey acknowledged the one email communication to the Board of Education.

- b. Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

2.0 Reports to the Board of Education

2.1 Board of Education Reports & Updates

2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report

Dr. Reardon provided the following information to the BOE:

- a. BOE Goals and Areas of Focus: Dr. Reardon reviewed the BOE Goals and the Areas of Focus. They can be reviewed at <http://www.wynantskillufsd.org/district/>
- b. Opening of New Wing / Pre-K: The new wing is open and the final punch list is

being completed. The upstairs classrooms are being used for Pre-K and Music classes, the downstairs classrooms are being used for Health, Special Education, small group testing and Tutorial classes. The district will be hosting a Community Open House on Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 9 to 11 a.m.

- c. Superintendent's Days: The staff participated in a hands-on Poverty Simulation based a variety of situations. Dr. Reardon provided the BOE a Wynantskill Poverty Simulation reflection to review. The theme for the 2018-19 school year is: "*GD Chooses Great!*" The entire staff and BOE members were provided a stress ball and a personalized hand-written note from Dr. Reardon.
- d. International Travel: Dr. Reardon and the BOE discussed the opportunity to facilitate an international travel, printed details of the trip were provided. The BOE and Dr. Reardon unanimously agreed that the school will not be involved in the distribution or organization of an international trip.

2.3 Principal's Report

Dr. Yodis provided the following information to the BOE:

- a. Back to School Carnival: Amazing turn out with about 350 people participating. A big thank you to Jen Hallenbeck for all of her hard work putting together this event.
- b. Open Houses: Grades K-6 & 7-8 all had a wonderful turn out, with a lot of positive feedback from parents and staff.
- c. Faculty Meeting: The first faculty meeting of the school year involved a guest speaker focusing on stress management, staying with the 2018-19 school years focus on healthy body and mind.
- d. Character Education Assembly: Gardner-Dickinson held a welcome back assembly introducing our 40 new students.
- e. SWAG: All middle school students attended the SWAG kick off breakfast.
- f. Assessments: Stephanie Carbone has completed all of the NWEA assessments. 5th and 6th grade is finishing up the F&P reading assessments. The data of each child is now being reviewed by staff, ensuring that each student is at the appropriate starting point.

2.4 PTA / SEPTA Update

Darcy Mack presented the PTA/SEPTA report to the Board of Education.

Discussion: Mrs. Castle commented on how fantastic the back to school carnival was.

3.0 Appointments and Authorizations

Consent Agenda 3.1-3.10

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the consent agenda item numbers 3.1-3.10.

Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided clarification on agenda item numbers 3.4, 3.7, 3.8, 3.9, and 3.10.

3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.

3.2 Approval of Substitutes

Substitute Teacher's Aide \$80 Day
Non Certified Teacher \$80 Day
Recess/Café Aide \$11.10 Hr

Jenna LeFevre / Aaliyah Jones / Savannah Mason / Amber Oregon

- 3.3 Accept the resignation of Amanda Barrett (Teacher's Assistant) effective August 31, 2018.
- 3.4 Accept the resignation of Wendy DeBell (Nurse @ St. Jude's) for the purposes of retirement effective September 29, 2018.
- 3.5 Accept the resignation of Heather Watroba (Teacher's Aide) effective September 20, 2018.
- 3.6 Appoint Heather Watroba to the Full time position of Teaching Assistant @ Step 1 prorated in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, effective 9/21/2018 with a four-year probationary term, concluding on 9/21/2022.
- 3.7 Appoint Brenda Alderman as Clerk / Recess Aide 6 hours a day @ \$15.00 hour effective 9/21/18-6/30/19.
- 3.8 Appoint MaryHelen Culver as PT (.6 FTE) School Nurse @ St. Jude's beginning 9/21/2018-6/30/19 @ Step 10 prorated.
- 3.9 Appoint Yenni Schwartz as six-month probationary FT Teacher Aide effective 9/24/18 as per the WTAA contact.
- 3.10 Appoint Carly Bowe as six-month probationary FT Teacher Aide effective 9/24/18 as per the WTAA contact, pending finger print clearance.
- 3.11 Appoint Joyce Lanese as a Bus Aide 2 hours a day @ \$12.50 Hr. for the 2018-19 school year.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to appoint Joyce Lanese as a Bus Aide 2 hours a day @ \$12.50 Hr. for the 2018-19 school year.

Mr. Strang seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3/0/1. (Mr. Lanese abstained)

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided clarification.

4.0 Informational

- 4.1 Community Open House September 29, 2018 9-11am
- 4.2 Regular BOE Meeting October 18, 2018
- 4.3 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

5.0 Request for Executive Session

There was no request for executive session.

6.0 Return to Open Session

7.0 Adjournment

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 7:28 p.m. by Mr. Lanese.

Motion carried 4/0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Hillis
Clerk of the Board