

WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
April 21, 2016
6:30 pm Anticipated Executive Session
7:00 pm Regular Meeting
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 6:26 p.m. by Mrs. Dinan.

- 1.1 Record of Attendance
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| Mrs. Castle | Present |
| Mrs. Dinan | Present |
| Ms. Gray | Present |
| Mr. Lanesey | Present |
| Mrs. Mack | Present |

- 1.2 Request for Executive Session

Mrs. Castle made a motion to enter into executive session for the purposes of discussing the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation at 6:27 p.m. Mr. Lanesey seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

Invited Guest: Robert Schofield was in attendance during the Executive Session.

- 1.3 Return to Open Session

Mrs. Castle made a motion to return to open session at 7:22 p.m.
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

- 1.4 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda
Dr. Reardon reviewed the agenda.

- 1.5 Royals Recognition

The Board of Education recognized the following students for their relentless dedication of time, energy, and passion to competing in the NYSSMA *Solo Festival* and All-County band and chorus.

NYSSMA Solo Festival Students:

- a. Shay Kerwin
- b. Nick Carbone
- c. Reilly Countois
- d. Ryan LeFevre
- e. Jayden Richardson
- f. Alayna Penman
- g. Hannah McCleery
- h. Ben Abbas
- i. Aidan Flannery
- j. Emma Geisser
- k. Nina Losi
- l. Brigid Mack
- m. Georgianna Montagna
- n. Erin Pendergast

Elementary All-County Band:

- a. Samantha Cupp
- b. Aiden Flannery
- c. Ryan LeFevre
- d. Michael Wormuth
- e. Shay Kerwin

Junior All-County Band:

- a. Cameron Gagnon
- b. Spencer Gallagher
- c. Andy Malak
- d. Andrew Flannery

Junior All-County Chorus:

- a. Brigid Mack
- b. Emma Geisser
- c. Nikitta Alcombright

1.6 Mrs. Ryan’s Real World Science Presentation

Ben Abbas, Olivia Flagg, Jaylei George, Jacob Coonan, Alyssa Rebhun, and Brgid Mack presented their Real World Science projects on germs to the Board of Education.

1.7 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. March 17, 2016

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the March 17, 2016 regular meeting minutes. Mrs. Mack seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

1.8 Acceptance of Financial Reports

- a. Internal Claims Auditor’s Report March 2016
- b. Treasurer’s Monthly Report with Budget Transfers
- c. Extra Classroom Quarterly Report as of 3/31/2016

Ms. Gray made a motion to accept the District Treasurer's Financial Reports. Mrs. Castle seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

1.9 Building Use

Group	Day	Area
Tri City Bombers 10-11	Sunday & Friday 4/3 to 6/17	Field
Tri-City Bombers 12 U	Wednesday	Field
HVCC	7/11 to 7/15 & 7/25 to 7/29	Field Café Gym

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the building use request from the Tri City Bombers groups and HVCC. Mrs. Mack seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5/0.

1.10 Visitors and Communication

- a. Communications to the Board of Education
- b. Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

Erik Denny: Mr. Denny spoke on his concerns about getting the budget news letter mailing for East and Winter Streets. Requested an update on the construction project and asked why people were parked in the fire lane after hours.

2.0 Reports to the Board of Education

2.1 Board of Education Reports & Updates

Mrs. Dinan reported that Dr. Reardon, Ms. Gray and herself attended the Boces annual meeting/budget.

2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report

- a. Budget Update / Adoption: Dr. Reardon reported that there was a budget workshop on April 18, 2016 and the Board of Education will adopt the budget later in the meeting. The power point is available on the website. The budget hearing is on May 9, 2016 @ 7 p.m. Dr. Reardon has offered to bring the budget to any

groups who are interested in having the presentation brought to them.
http://www.wynantskillufsd.org/Budget/documents/2016-17/Budget_Presentation_Apr_18_2016.pdf

- b. Top Workplaces: The Wynantskill Union Free School District has been named a top work place by the Times Union in the small business category. Mrs. Dinan and Dr. Reardon attended the awards dinner. Dr. Reardon is very proud of the staff and is very excited to be part of the program.

2.3 Principal's Report

Mrs. Yodis reported:

- a. Six days of State ELA & Math testing is complete. Everything went very smooth, the extended time really helped. The staff felt the test questions were fair.
- b. Kindergarten information night was on April 19th, we have almost 40 students registered for the 2016-2017 school year.
- c. The after school bus is really helping, many kids are staying after for academics but other groups are also taking advantage of the bus.
- d. Odyssey of the mind: Mrs. Swart and Mrs. Cronin's team went to Binghamton on April 2nd for the regional tournament. The group placed 11 out of 19.
- e. 3rd grade had a party to celebrate their biography unit. Each student selected a person to write about and read their biography at the breakfast celebration.
- f. Trip to Washington was very exciting more to follow at the May meeting.
- g. April was autism awareness month.
- h. Being respectful to each other's differences was the theme of the Bee assembly.
- i. Brigid Mack raised the funds to bring in Jesse Saperstein to talk to the students on autism and there was an all school assembly and an evening program.
- j. Builders club had a *Star Wars* dance.
- k. Michele Nicklas has organized an appreciation table each month. This month the entire transportation staff was chosen to be recognized.
- l. PTO Great Night Out; everybody had a great time.
- m. Lego Club is a great success. 70 to 80 students attend every other Monday; the logos creations are displayed in the case.
- n. We held a severe weather drill and a fire drill.
- o. 2 fields trips to the Troy Music Hall.
- p. Mrs. Newell went to the Apple Store the students learned how to use the Garage band App.
- q. Kindergarten went to the Hancock Village to see the baby animals.
- r. Mrs. Delaney's Honors English class went to go see *Romeo and Juliet*.

2.4 PTO Update

Sue Czubek presented the PTO report to the Board of Education.

3.0 Appointments and Authorizations

3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve CSE/CPSE recommendations.

Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

3.2 1st reading of BOE Policies

- a) 0000 Mission Statement and Vision
- b) 0110 Sexual Harassment
- c) 0110 R Sexual Harassment Regulation
- d) 0115 Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention
- e) 0115 R Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Regulation

- f) 0115 E.1 Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Exhibit
- g) 0115 E.2 Harassment and Bullying Complaint Form
- h) 0150 HIV/AIDS
- i) 0300 Accountability
- j) 0310 Board Self-Evaluation
- k) 0320 Evaluation of the Superintendent

3.3 Approve the 2016-2017 Board of Education meeting calendar.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 Board of Education meeting calendar.
 Mrs. Castle seconded the motion.
 Motion carried 5/0.

3.4 Approve Thomas Cupp for a paid temporary leave of absence as a custodian for a medical leave effective 4/4/16 until cleared medically to return to work.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve Thomas Cupp for a paid temporary leave of absence as a custodian for a medical leave effective 4/4/16 until cleared medically to return to work.
 Mr. Lanese seconded the motion.
 Motion carried 5/0.

3.5 Approve Zachary Fahrenkopf @ Step 1 (prorated) for the family leave of absence (FMLA) of Matthew Lutz starting on or around May 15, 2016 to June 24, 2016, as per the WTA contract.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve Zachary Fahrenkopf @ Step 1 (prorated) for the family leave of absence (FMLA) of Matthew Lutz starting on or around May 15, 2016 to June 24, 2016, as per the WTA contract.
 Mrs. Castle seconded the motion.
 Motion carried 5/0.

3.6 Approve Lynn Paradowski @ Step 1 (.5 prorated) for the leave of absence, of Catherine Spooner, Special Education Teacher assigned to St Jude's, starting on or around April 21, 2016 to June 24, 2016, as per the WTA contract.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve Lynn Paradowski @ Step 1 (.5 prorated) for the leave of absence, of Catherine Spooner, Special Education Teacher assigned to St Jude's, starting on or around April 21, 2016 to June 24, 2016, as per the WTA contract.
 Ms. Gray seconded the motion.
 Motion carried 5/0.

3.7 Approval the removal of James Mc Auliffe from the substitute bus aid/custodian list effective April 21, 2016.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the removal of James Mc Auliffe from the substitute bus aid/custodian list effective April 21, 2016.
 Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
 Motion carried 5/0.

3.8 Approval of Substitutes

Substitute Bus Aide \$12 Hour	
Lori Audi	Tina Albert
Recess Aide \$9.50 Hour	
Jeanette Doyle	
Substitute Bus Driver \$14 Hour	
Lance Maxon	

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve Lori Audi and Tina Albert as substitute bus aides, Jeanette Doyle as a substitute recess aide and Lance Maxon as a substitute bus driver.
Mrs. Castle seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

3.9 Approve the drama club to create an extra classroom activity club bank account.

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the drama club to create an extra classroom activity club bank account.
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

3.10 Approval of Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests

- a. 5 Students to Catholic Central High School
- b. 5 Students to Academy of Holy Names
- c. 4 Students to LaSalle Institute
- d. 1 Student to Oakwood Christian School
- e. 3 Students to St. Jude the Apostle School
- f. 1 Student St. Mary's Waterford

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the Additional Non-Public Transportation Requests for 19 students.
Mr. Lanesey seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

3.11 Approve 2016-2017 Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote Time & Place

- a. Election date May 17, 2016
- b. Election time from 12:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- c. Election location Gardner-Dickinson School Classroom Number 244

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve 2016-2017 Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote Time & Place.
Ms. Gray seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

3.12 Consideration for approval

To adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #1, the 2016-2017 Budget as recommended by Administration as follows:

Shall the Board of Education of the Wynantskill Union Free School District, Rensselaer County, New York be authorized to expend the total amount of \$9,096,145 during the school year 2016-2017 and to levy the necessary tax therefore.

Mr. Lanesey made a motion to approve the adoption for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #1, the 2016-2017 Budget as recommended by Administration as follows:
Shall the Board of Education of the Wynantskill Union Free School District, Rensselaer County, New York be authorized to expend the total amount of \$9,096,145 during the school year 2016-2017 and to levy the necessary tax therefore.
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

3.13 Consideration for approval

To adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #2, the 2016-2017 Bus Proposal as recommended by Administration as follows:

Shall the Board of Education of the Wynantskill Union Free School District, Rensselaer County, New York be authorized to (1) acquire two SCHOOL BUSES, at a maximum aggregate cost of

\$164,000; (2) expend such sum, or so much thereof as shall be necessary; and (3) shall be paid from the current appropriation.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the adoption for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #2, the 2016-2017 Bus Proposal as recommended by Administration as follows: Shall the Board of Education of the Wynantskill Union Free School District, Rensselaer County, New York be authorized to (1) acquire two SCHOOL BUSES, at a maximum aggregate cost of \$164,000; (2) expend such sum, or so much thereof as shall be necessary; and (3) shall be paid from the current appropriation.

Mr. Lanese seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

3.14 Consideration for approval

To adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as a non-binding question meant to provide guidance to the Board:

PROPOSITION #3, Should the Board of Education consider for approval a partial property tax exemption for veterans, which could cause other homeowners' tax bills to increase?

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the adoption for presentation to the voters of the district, as a non-binding question meant to provide guidance to the Board: PROPOSITION #3, Should the Board of Education consider for approval a partial property tax exemption for veterans, which could cause other homeowners' tax bills to increase?

Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

3.15 WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Wynantskill Union Free School District, Rensselaer County, New York, has called an Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote of the qualified voters of said School District to be held on the 17th day of May, 2016 and WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for the appointment of inspectors for said Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Wynantskill Union Free School District, Rensselaer County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Mary Ellen Angrisano, a duly qualified voter of said School District is hereby appointed as the Permanent Chairman of the Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote referred to in the preambles hereof.

Section 2. The following named qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed to act as Inspectors of Election of said Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote, so that there shall be at least two Inspectors for each voting machine to be used thereat:

Section 3. Mary Rose Ryan is hereby designated as Chief Election Inspector.

Section 4. The following named qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed as Assistant Clerks of said Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote: Elizabeth Livingston; William Keegan

Section 5. Each Inspector of Election and Assistant Clerk appointed for said Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote, as herein provided, shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of Chief Election Inspector \$10.50 Hr. / Assistant Clerk \$9.50 Hr. for each day actually and necessarily spent on the duties of his office. The Clerk of said School District is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of appointment to the persons herein respectively appointed as Permanent Chairman, Inspectors of Election and Assistant Clerks for said Special District Meeting.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the appointment of the Permanent Chairman, Chief Election Inspector and Assistant Clerks for said Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote.

Ms. Gray seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.16 Approve Stefanie Ryan as a Door Monitor Noon to 6 pm @ \$9.50 Hr. for the Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote on May 17, 2016.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve Stephanie Ryan as a Door Monitor Noon to 6 pm @ \$9.50 Hr. for the Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote on May 17, 2016.

Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.17 Approve the 6th grade field trip to The Bronx Zoo on May 6, 2016.

Mr. Lanese made a motion to approve the 6th grade field trip to The Bronx Zoo on May 6, 2016.

Mrs. Castle seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

4.0 Old Business

5.0 New Business

6.0 Informational

6.1 Budget Hearing May 9, 2016 @ 7 pm

6.2 Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote May 17, 2016 Noon to 9 pm

6.3 Regular BOE Meeting May 19, 2016 @ 7 pm

6.4 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

Sue Czubek: Mrs. Czubek is very proud of the district for being a top work place.

7.0 Request for Executive Session

There was no request for executive session.

8.0 Return to Open Session

9.0 Adjournment

Mr. Gray made a motion to adjourn at 9:03 p.m.

Mr. Lanese seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Hillis
Clerk of the Board