

WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
March 16, 2017
Anticipated Executive Session @ 6:00 PM
Regular Meeting @ 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 6:08 p.m. by Mr. Lanesey.

1.1 Record of Attendance

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

1.2 Request for Executive Session

Mrs. Mack 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 6:10 p.m. Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

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

1.3 Return to Open Session

Mr. Lanesey called the meeting back into open session at 7:09 p.m.

1.4 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Dr. Reardon reviewed the agenda.

1.5 Royal Recognition

The Board of Education and Mrs. Curran proudly recognized Mrs. Curran's third grade students. Mrs. Curran's students have been involved in a classroom community service project. The project was a supply drive for the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society.

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| a. Gabriel Bentley | h. Bailey McCabe |
| b. Kristen Campbell | i. Deja Nicholson |
| c. Mikey Carey | j. Calleigh Niver |
| d. Alessandra Denio | k. Avery Premo |
| e. Andrew Denio | l. Vanessa Quinn |
| f. Kennedy Kelley | m. Bryce Rokjer |
| g. Anthony Martoccio | n. Eternity Rosencrans |

- o. Blake Rozicki
- p. Drew Ryan
- q. Conner Santos
- r. Madison Schmidt

The Board of Education, Athletic Director Mr. DiSotto, Coach Davis and Coach Rich recognized the Modified Girls and Boys Basketball teams for their hard work and excellent sportsmanship for the 2016-17 season.

- a. Jaylei George
- b. Erin Pendergast
- c. Autumn Stone
- d. Mariana Grande
- e. Maryssa Sano
- f. Isadora Geise
- g. Julie Zakarka
- h. Giuliana Mulinio
- i. Brigid Mack
- j. Melana McGivern
- k. Sophie Pasinella
- a. Teddy Apfel
- b. Tyrell Penalba
- c. Jonah Griswold
- d. Jackson Barnes
- e. Jacob Kelley
- f. Anthony Ducharme
- g. Jacob Coonan
- h. Jack Coonan
- i. Cole Vumbaco
- j. Nick Carbone
- k. Michael Wormuth
- l. Shay Kerwin
- m. Ryan Lefevre
- n. Kellan Rokjer

1.6 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 a. February 16, 2017

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the February 16, 2017 regular meeting minutes.
 Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.
 Motion carried 5/0.

1.7 Acceptance of Financial Reports
 a. Internal Claims Auditor's Report February 2017
 b. Monthly Treasurer's Report with Budget Transfers

Mr. Strang made a motion to approve the District Treasurer's Financial Reports.
 Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
 Motion Carried 5/0.

1.8 Building use

Group	Time/Dates	Location
Twin Town Little League	March 1, 2017 7-9 PM	Gym
Gilooly Memorial Basketball Tournament	March 25 & 26, 2017 9:30-5:30	Gym

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the building use requests from Twin Town Little League and the Gilooly Memorial Basketball Tournament.
 Mr. Strang seconded the motion.
 Motion Carried 5/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided details on the Gilooly Memorial Basketball Tournament.

1.9 Visitors and Communication
 a. Communications to the Board of Education

Mr. Lanese reviewed the one communication to the Board of Education.

- i. Email from Teri Martoccio
- b. Opportunity for the Public to be Heard
No requests to speak

2.0 Reports to the Board of Education

2.1 Board of Education Reports & Updates

- a. CSArch Bid Results: Ed Anker provided the Board of Education with a bid update. The Board of Education will accept and award the contracts on March 30th at 5:15 p.m.

Discussion:

Jean Marie Steffek asked questions on the bids and the dollar amount that was budgeted. Dr. Reardon, the Board of Education members, and Mr. Anker discussed the bid process and dates for the BOE to accept the bids.

2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report

- a. Tentative 2017-18 Draft Budget: Dr. Reardon provided a snap shot of where the district stands with the budget process, announcing that an additional budget workshop is being scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center. The presentation is available at:

Discussion:

Dr. Reardon has asked the Board of Education members to consider how much, if any, of the carry over funds would they like to use to close the gap and to consider adding a budget workshop after April 1, 2017.

Mrs. Castle would feel more comfortable making decisions about the carry over funds with more solid figures. Mrs. Castle would like to add a budget workshop.

Mr. Strang agreed with Mrs. Castle and would like more solid figures.

Mrs. Angrisano provided historic information regarding the carry over.

Mrs. Mack would like the increase in taxes be under 2 %.

Mr. Lanesey spoke on past years carry over and he would also like more solid numbers before he decided on a carryover amount.

Ms. Rokjer gave thanks to the Board of Education.

Meeting dates and times were discussed. April 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. was chosen for a budget workshop.

2.3 Principal's Report

Dr. Yodis reported:

- a. Jane King, a Science specialist from Questar III, provided two hour blocks of professional development to our teachers.
- b. Karin Carmody, Bethany Wallace and Dr. Yodis took a fieldtrip to explore science options.
- c. Andrew Newmark did some model lessons for Kindergarten and first grade. A written plan of best practices was created by grade level. Thank you Andrew.
- d. Bethany Wallace and Karin Carmody went to a Questar III Math training on how to enrich the advance learner.
- e. Keith Hirokawa and a group of Albany Law students worked with the 2nd grade classes on persuasive writing.
- f. Kindergarten Open House with Lyndy Sanger and Gina Mahoney was a great success. Currently there is 30 students registered.

- g. Kim Herzl-Betz is planning the kindergarten screening on March 31st.
- h. ELA testing training, Jean Marie Steffek was thanked for her help with accommodations. Teachers have been trained on NYSELA testing procedures.
- i. Two PARP nights are scheduled. We will be showing the documentary I am Malala and the Author Meryl Day with be joining us.

2.4 PTO Update
Mrs. Mack presented the PTO report to the Board of Education.

Discussion: Mrs. Castle announced that her and Dr. Reardon would be at Questar III for a program this Saturday.

3.0 Appointments and Authorizations

Consent agenda 3.1 to 3.11

- 3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.
- 3.2 Be It Resolved that pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following be appointed to tenure to the position to which they have served the required probationary period as specified below:

Name – Sarah Sepp
Tenure Area – Special Education
Commencement of Tenure Appointment – 6/30/2017
Certification Status – Permanent

- 3.3 Be It Resolved that pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following be appointed to tenure to the position to which they have served the required probationary period as specified below:

Name – Bethany Wallace
Tenure Area – Elementary Education
Commencement of Tenure Appointment – 6/30/2017
Certification Status – Permanent

- 3.4 Approval of Substitutes

Name	Position
Emily Labate	Substitute Certified Teacher @ \$90 day

- 3.5 Approve Snow Plowing Service Season Contract to High Tech Lawn & Snow Service for the 2017-2018 School Year @ \$6,000.00 a season, price for salt is \$250.00 per application, and removal of snow / push back (upon request) is \$400.00 per occurrence.
- 3.6 Approve Refuse Removal Service Contract to County Waste & Recycling Services Inc. for the 2017-2018 School Year @ \$400.00 per month.
- 3.7 Approve Transportation Maintenance, Storage of Vehicles & Vehicle Service Contract to Mulson’s Garage for the 2017-2018 School Year @ Storage \$6,000 for the year plus cost of electricity, preventive maintenance inspection @ \$82.50 per bus, DOT inspection @ \$85.00, and cost of other service and repair @ \$85.00 per hour.
- 3.8 Approve the 7th grade field trip to The Wild Center on June 6, 2017.
- 3.9 Approve the 8th grade field trip to Washington DC on April 5-8, 2017.
- 3.10 Approve the 5th grade field trip to Liberty State Park on June 12, 2017.
- 3.11 Approve the 2017-2018 School District Calendar.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the consent agenda item numbers 3.1 to 3.11.
Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

3.12 First Readings

- a. Policy # 4513 Library Materials Selection
- b. Policy #4526 Computer Use in Instruction (Acceptable Use)
- c. Regulation # 4526 Computer Use in Instruction (Acceptable Use)
- d. Policy # 4526.1 Internet Safety
- e. Regulation # 4526.1 Internet Safety
- f. Policy # 4526.2 Web Page Design and Maintenance
- g. Policy # 4531 Field Trips and Excursions
- h. Regulation # 4531 Field Trips and Excursions
- i. Policy # 4532 School Volunteers
- j. Policy # 4710 Grading Systems
- k. Policy # 4750 Promotion and Retention of Students
- l. Policy # 4760 Makeup Opportunities
- m. Policy # 4810 Teaching About Controversial Issues
- n. Policy # 4850 Animals in Schools

3.13 Second Readings

- a. Removal of Policy # 4000 Student Learning Objectives & District Instructional Goals
- b. Removal of Policy # 4200 Curriculum Management
- c. Policy # 4311.1 Display of the Flag
- d. Regulation # 4311.1 Display of the Flag
- e. Notice Not Required 4315.1 AIDS Instruction
- f. Policy # 4321 Programs for Students with Disabilities
- g. Policy # 4321.1 Provision of Special Education Services in the Least Restrictive Environment
- h. Policy # 4321.2 School-Wide Pre-Referral Approaches and Interventions
- i. Regulation # 4321.2 School-Wide Pre-Referral Approaches and Interventions
- j. Policy # 4321.3 Allocation of Space for Special Education
- k. Policy # 4321.4 Independent Educational Evaluations
- l. Policy # 4321.5 Confidentiality and Access to Individualized Education Programs, Individualized Education Services Programs and Service Plans
- m. Policy # 4321.6 Availability of Alternative Format Instructional Materials For Students With Disabilities
- n. Policy # 4321.7 Districtwide and Statewide Assessments of Students with Disabilities
- o. Policy # 4321.8 Impartial Hearing Officer Appointment and Compensation
- p. Policy # 4321.9 Declassification of Students with Disabilities
- q. Policy # 4321.10 Programs and Services for Parentally-Placed Nonpublic School Students with Disabilities
- r. Policy # 4321.11 Public Report on Revisions to District Policies, Practices and Procedures Upon a Finding of Significant Disproportionality
- s. Policy # 4321.12 Use of Time Out Rooms, Physical Restraints and Aversives
- t. Policy # 4321.13 Pre-School Special Education
- u. Policy # 4321.14 Special Education Personnel
- v. Removal of Policy # 4322 Programs for the Gifted and Talented
- w. Removal of Policy # 4325 Academic Intervention Services
- x. Policy # 4326 Limited English Proficiency Instruction
- y. Exhibit # 4326-E.1 Programs for English Language Learners
- z. Exhibit # 4326-E.2 Programs for English Language Learners
- aa. Policy # 4327 Homebound Instruction
- bb. Policy #4511 Textbook Selection and Adoption

- 3.14 Approval of BOE Policies
- a. Removal of Policy # 4000 Student Learning Objectives & District Instructional Goals
 - b. Removal of Policy # 4200 Curriculum Management
 - c. Policy # 4311.1 Display of the Flag
 - d. Regulation # 4311.1 Display of the Flag
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Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve board policy/ regulation/ exhibit numbers 4000, 4200, 4311.1, 4315.1, 4321, 4321.1, 4321.2, 4321.3, 4321.4, 4321.5, 4321.6, 4321.7, 4321.8, 4321.9, 4321.10, 4321.11, 4321.12, 4321.13, 4321.14, 4322, 4325, 4326, 4327 and 4511.

Mr. Strang seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

4.0 Old Business

5.0 New Business

6.0 Informational

- 6.1 Special Meeting March 30, 2017 @ 5:15
- 6.2 Regular BOE Meeting April 13, 2017 @ 7 pm
- 6.3 Candidate Petitions for Membership on the BOE due by 5 pm April 17, 2017
- 6.4 Drawing by lot for position on the voting machine will take place in Superintendent's Office @ 9 am on April 18, 2017
- 6.5 Boces Budget Vote & Election April 25, 2017 @ 7am Superintendent's Office
- 6.6 Budget Hearing May 9, 2017 @ 7 pm
- 6.7 Meet the Candidates May 9, 2017 @ 7 pm
- 6.8 Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote May 16, 2017 Noon to 9 pm
- 6.9 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

Jean Marie Steffek: Had questions on the current trash and snow removal service.
Gave thanks to Dr. Yodis for the internal training.
Gave thanks to Dr. Reardon and the Policy Committee for asking for their input on the policies.

Dr. Reardon gave thanks to the Policy Committee.

Mrs. Castle spoke on the article “Hundreds of desks are empty at SED and local districts feel repercussions” printed in the March 13, 2017 edition of the NYSSBA *On Board* publication.

7.0 Request for Executive Session

There was no request for executive session.

8.0 Return to Open Session

9.0 Adjournment

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.

Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Hillis
Clerk of the Board

The mission of our community based school is to create a safe, compassionate, progressive learning environment that recognizes individual needs and encourages all students to strive for personal and educational excellence. As a small, suburban school district, rich with pride, we believe that by working together we can: create a dynamic program based on character, tolerance and diversity; provide opportunities for all to reach their fullest potential; empower all to achieve personal excellence and encourage a life-long love of learning.