

WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Special Meeting
October 12, 2016
7:00 PM
Gardner-Dickinson School Media Center
[Audio Link of Meeting](#)
Minutes

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Lanesey.

1.1 Appoint Acting Board Clerk

Mrs. Castle made a motion to appoint Dr. Reardon, Acting Board Clerk.
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.
Motion Carried 3/0.

1.2 Recording of Attendance

Mrs. Castle	Present
Mr. Lanesey	Present
Mrs. Mack	Present

2.0 New Business

2.1 Discuss Process for Filling Board Vacancies

Mr. Lanesey announced that the Board of Education now has two open seats.
Mrs. Mack asked for clarification on the two open seats, it is to Mrs. Mack's understanding that the two open seats will be appointed until May of 2017 and then both seats would be up for election.
Mr. Lanesey provided clarification on the process of filling the two open Board of Education seats.
Dr. Reardon added that Mrs. Dinan's seat would expire in June 2017 and Ms. Gray's seat would expire in June of 2018.
Mrs. Mack asked for clarification on the election process, if a candidate only wanted to take the open seat until May 2017 they don't have to run in the election.
Mrs. Castle added that the Mr. Schofield stated that school board could hold a special election for the two open Board of Education seats.
Mr. Lanesey clarified the voting process.
Dr. Reardon explained the three options that the school attorney, Mr. Schofield, had given the Board of Education. 1. To continue without filling the seats. 2. Hold a special election. 3. The Board of Education appointing the seats.
Dr. Reardon asked the Board of Education how they would like to move forward with the options given by Mr. Schofield.
Mrs. Castle would like to fill the two seats by Board appointment and filling the seats by November.
Mr. Lanesey would also like to fill the two seats by Board appointment.
Mrs. Mack asked how they move forward getting information from the interested candidates.
Mrs. Castle explained the process she went through when she applied for an open

Board of Education seat.

Dr. Reardon suggested a letter of interest from the interested candidates.

Mrs. Mack asked how long they have to solicit for.

Dr. Reardon stated the district would solicit on the website and social media.

Mrs. Mack read the policy number 2150.

Dr. Reardon would like to reach out to the five interested candidates and ask them for a letter of interest and repost the vacancies to our school website and social media.

Mrs. Castle would like to set next Wednesday the 19th of October as the dead line, then see how many interested candidates there are before setting dates.

The Board of Education agreed.

Mr. Lanesey added the Board of Education could hold a special meeting to appoint the two new board members.

Mrs. Castle asked for clarification on the Veterans tax Exemption for the October meeting.

Mr. Lanesey provided clarification that the Board of Education would processed with the exemption at the next meeting.

Letters of Interest will be due by October 19, 2016.

The Board of Education will review the letters of interest on October 20, 2016.

3.0 Informational

3.1 Regular BOE Meeting October 20, 2016 @ 7 pm

3.2 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

A question was asked on the Veteran Tax Exemption and how much the taxes would increase for those who do not qualify for the exemption.

Positive discussion on Fire Prevention Day.

Health Fair tomorrow October 13, 2106.

4.0 Request for Executive Session

There was no request for executive session.

5.0 Return to Open Session

6.0 Adjournment

Mrs. Castle made a motion to adjourn at 7:28 p.m.

Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3/0.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Thomas B. Reardon