

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**February 15, 2018**  
**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 7:03 p.m. by Mr. Lanesey. A moment of silence was observed for the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

1.1 Record of Attendance

Mrs. Castle	Present
Mr. Hirokawa	Present
Mr. Lanesey	Present
Mrs. Mack	Present
Mr. Strang	Present @ 7:18 pm

1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Dr. Reardon reviewed the agenda.

1.3 Royal Recognition

The Board of Education, Dr. Reardon, Mrs. Hancock and Mrs. Newell recognized the following students and staff for their leadership in the arts in education program assembly development.

a.	Chayton Young		
b.	Pip Ryan	e.	Tyler Quinn
c.	Ryan Strang	f.	Anthony Vescio
d.	Leonardo Clemenzi	g.	Samantha Swart

1.4 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. January 18, 2018

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve the January 18, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Mrs. Mack seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

1.5 Acceptance of Financial Reports

a. Internal Claims Auditor's Report (January 2018)  
b. Monthly Treasurer's Report with Budget Transfers

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

Mr. Lanesey recognized the Business Department for the flawless Internal Audit Report.

1.6 Approve Building Use

Group	Day	Time/Area/Price
Empire Night Hawks	Sunday 2/11/18	12-4 /Gym/\$40 Hr.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the building use request from the Empire Night Hawks.

Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5/0.

1.7 Visitors and Communication

- a. Communications to the Board of Education
  - i. Email from John Sorady

Mr. Lanesey acknowledged the one email communication to the Board of Education. Mr. Sorady's request will be added to the March 2018 agenda for BOE discussion.

- b. Opportunity for the Public to Comment

**2.0 Reports to the Board of Education**

2.1 Board of Education Board Discussion / Reports

2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report

Dr. Reardon provided the following information to the BOE:

- a. Present the 2018-19 Preliminary Budget Forecast & Budget Assumptions: Dr. Reardon provided a snap shot of where the district stands in the 2018-19 school budget process. Appreciation was given to Mrs. Angrisano for all of her hard work putting together the scenarios and numbers.

The Power Point presentation is available at: [http://www.wynantskillufsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Budget\\_PowerPoint\\_from\\_Feb\\_15\\_2018\\_BOE\\_Meeting.pdf](http://www.wynantskillufsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Budget_PowerPoint_from_Feb_15_2018_BOE_Meeting.pdf)

Discussion on the number of children who attend Gardner-Dickinson from the North Greenbush School District and the incoming Pre-Kindergarten program.

- b. Capital Project Update: The Capital Project in on schedule, the concrete was being poured as the meeting was going on. CSArch will be presenting at the March 2018 Board of Education meeting. The Board of Education may be able to take a tour of the new addition next month. Dr. Reardon shared photos of the progress. Photos and updates on the Capital Project can be found @ <https://twitter.com/GDSuptReardon>.

2.3 Principal's Report

Dr. Reardon provided the following information to the BOE:

- a. Little Red Open House: 7 current 1<sup>st</sup> grade students have confirmed they will be attending Gardner-Dickinson for the 2018-19 school year.
- b. 20 students have registered for Kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year.
- c. Jackie Sweeney was with us for two weeks doing a K-8 writing workshop.
- d. Last week was out *Start with Hello* week.  
<https://twitter.com/PrincipalYodis>

2.4 PTA / SEPTA Update

Mr. Lanesey read the PTA report provided by Nichole Hurbanek to the Board of Education. Darcy Mack presented the SEPTA report to the Board of Education.

### **3.0 Appointments and Authorizations**

- 3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the CSE/CPSE Recommendations.  
Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.2 Approve Carly Newhouse for a permanent Teacher's Aide position @ \$13.31 Hr. effective March 2, 2018 (Ending the 6th month probationary period).

Mr. Strang made a motion to approve Carly Newhouse for a permanent Teacher's Aide position @ \$13.31 Hr. effective March 2, 2018 (Ending the 6th month probationary period).  
Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon clarified the probationary period.

- 3.3 Approve Courtney Townsend for a permanent Teacher's Aide position @ \$13.31 Hr. effective March 2, 2018 (Ending the 6th month probationary period).

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve Courtney Townsend for a permanent Teacher's Aide position @ \$13.31 Hr. effective March 2, 2018 (Ending the 6th month probationary period).  
Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.4 Approve Sam Davis and Dan DiSotto for the extra-curricular appointment, Baseball Coach, for the 2017-18 school year as per the WTA contract.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve Sam Davis and Dan DiSotto for the extra-curricular appointment, Baseball Coach, for the 2017-18 school year as per the WTA contract.  
Mr. Strang seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.5 Approve Amanda Rich and Keith Bateman for the extra-curricular appointment, Softball Coach, for the 2017-18 school year as per the WTA contract.

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve Amanda Rich and Keith Bateman for the extra-curricular appointment, Softball Coach, for the 2017-18 school year as per the WTA contract.  
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.6 Approve Gianna Coyne for a 0.1 fte Choral Music position for a leave of absence for child rearing of Samantha Swart, starting on 2/9/18 through 6/22/18, as per the WTA Contract.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve Gianna Coyne for a 0.1 fte Choral Music position for a leave of absence for child rearing of Samantha Swart, starting on 2/9/18 through 6/22/18, as per the WTA Contract.  
Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.7 Approve Hannah Tighe for a 0.9 fte 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Middle School Teacher position for a leave of absence for child rearing of Samantha Swart, starting on 2/26/18 through 6/22/18, as per the WTA contract.

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve Hannah Tighe for a 0.9 fte 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Middle School Teacher position for a leave of absence for child rearing of Samantha Swart, starting on 2/26/18 through 6/22/18, as per the WTA contract.  
 Mr. Strang seconded the motion.  
 Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.8 Approve Stefanie Ryan for Leave of Absence Teacher’s Aide position for Christopher Phillips from 2/26/18 to 4/27/18, as per the WTAA contract.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve Stefanie Ryan for Leave of Absence Teacher’s Aide position for Christopher Phillips from 2/26/18 to 4/27/18, as per the WTAA contract.  
 Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
 Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon clarified the reason for the leave of absence.

- 3.9 Approval of Substitutes

<b>Certified Substitute Teacher @ \$90 Day</b> Jessica Ribner	<b>Teacher’s Aide \$75 Day</b> Alexandra Bonardi, Amber Oregon, Valeska LaPlanche
<b>Substitute Recess @ \$10.40 Hr.</b> Alexandra Bonardi	<b>Non Certified Substitute Teacher \$75 Day</b> Valeska LaPlanche

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the above named applicants for substitute positions.  
 Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
 Motion carried 5/0.

- 3.10 Approve the 2018-19 School District Calendar.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the 2018-19 School District Calendar.  
 Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.  
 Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided an overview of the calendar.

- 3.11 Approve the 2018-19 BOE Meeting Calendar.

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve the 2018-19 BOE Meeting Calendar.  
 Mr. Strang seconded the motion.  
 Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon and the Board of Education choose a new Board of Education meeting date for the April meeting, based from the approved 2018-19 school district calendar.

- 3.12 Approve the 8th grade field trip to Washington DC on March 27-29, 2018.

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve the 8th grade field trip to Washington DC on March 27-29, 2018.  
 Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.  
 Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided updated information on the fundraising process.

3.13 Approve the 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Liberty State Park on June 11, 2018.

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Liberty State Park on June 11, 2018.

Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

**4.0 Informational**

4.1 Regular BOE Meeting March 15, 2018 @ 7 pm

4.2 Opportunity for the Public to Comment

Mrs. Castle reported on the Questar III program that she had attended with Dr. Reardon on January 27, 2018. Mike Ford and Dr. Luvelle Brown spoke on the topic of School Improvement.

**5.0 Request for Executive Session**

There was no request for executive session.

**6.0 Return to Open Session**

**7.0 Adjournment**

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m.

Mrs. Castle 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.