

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**April 11, 2019 @ 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 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Lanesey.

1.1 Record of Attendance

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

1.2 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Dr. Reardon reviewed the agenda.

1.3 Royal Recognition

The Board of Education recognized the following students for taking time out of their day to spend some time with the Town of North Greenbush Senior Citizens.

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| a. Carter Burmaster | h. Kennedy Kelley    | o. Vanessa Quinn   |
| b. Alessandra Denio | i. Brynn Mahoney     | p. Bryce Rokjer    |
| c. Andrew Denio     | j. Anthony Martoccio | q. Conner Santos   |
| d. Collin Fisk      | k. Bailey McCabe     | r. Winston Smith   |
| e. Kate Gilooly     | l. Jackson Murray    | s. Mackenzie Terry |
| f. Ciarra Gonzalez  | m. Alina Murtagh     | t. Leo Myo Wai     |
| g. Blake Hallenbeck | n. Avery Premo       | u. Susan Zakarka   |

1.4 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. March 21, 2019

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve the March 21, 2019 regular meeting minutes.  
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 4/0.

1.5 Acceptance of Financial Reports

a. Internal Claims Auditor's Report February 2019 & March 2019

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

Discussion: Mr. Lanese mentioned that the financial reports were a little off cycle and that there would be two monthly Treasurer's reports next month.

- 1.6 Visitors and Communication
  - a. Communications 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
  - a. Mr. DiSotto, Athletic Director: Mr. DiSotto reported to the Board of Education on the baseball and softball team stats. GD sports apparel delivery dates and the most up to date information on practice and games can be found on at the GD Royals Sports [website](#), Facebook, and [Twitter](#).
  - b. Mr. DiSotto & Mrs. Madelone, Co-Curriculum Coordinators: Mrs. Madelone reported to the Board of Education on her focus areas of ELA and Social Studies. Mrs. Madelone has worked on PLC's, guided reading, the book room, professional book club, and the creation of user friendly forms and assessment sheets. Mr. DiSotto reported to the Board of Education on his focus areas of Math and Science. Mr. DiSotto has worked on the Journey's program, proper licensing for online programs, state testing, Pick a Reading Partner (PARP), and curriculum.

Discussion: 

- b. Mrs. Mack asked a question on State Testing and submission. Dr. Reardon and Mr. DiSotto clarified our state testing experiences. Mrs. Castle asked about the stress level of students during state testing. Mrs. Madelone, Mrs. Cronin, Mr. DiSotto, and Mrs. Gilooly provided information on what they do with their students during testing times.

- 2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report
  - Dr. Reardon provided the following information to the BOE:
    - a. Draft of Budget (Presented to the BOE for Approval): Dr. Reardon presented the 2019-20 final draft budget to the Board of Education for approval. The presentation is available at: [http://www.wynantskillufsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Proposed\\_School\\_Budget\\_Apr\\_11\\_2019.pdf](http://www.wynantskillufsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Proposed_School_Budget_Apr_11_2019.pdf)
    - b. Pre-Kindergarten: We have 18 students in our one 2019-20 Pre-Kindergarten class. Registration packets have been sent out to the families and the District will hold a Pre-Kindergarten parent night on May 22, 2019. The District will be holding a Pre-Kindergarten screening with day and evening appointments.
    - c. Grants Audit: The District has provided 99% of the documentation required by the Title One Grant audit department. The District is in great shape due to diligent book keeping.
    - d. Field Trips: The 8<sup>th</sup> grade students leave for Washington D.C. trip on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Our advisors have created a D.C. scavenger hunt for the students to complete while on the trip with chances to win prizes.

Discussion: 

- a. The Board of Education asked questions on the budget newsletter, Pre-Kindergarten, and the Teaching Assistant position. Dr. Reardon clarified.
- d. Mrs. Madelone provided clarification on the D.C. trip and activities for the students.

- 2.3 Principal's Report
- 2.4 PTA / SEPTA Update

Mrs. Mack read the PTA report to the Board of Education.

### **3.0 Appointments and Authorizations**

Consent Agenda 3.1-3.14

Mr. Hirokawa made a motion to approve the consent agenda item numbers 3.1-3.14.  
Mrs. Mack seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided clarification to agenda items 3.2, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6.

- 3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.
- 3.2 Approve the 2019-20 Wynantskill Union Free School District Calendar.
- 3.3 Approve the 2019-20 Board of Education Meeting Schedule.
- 3.4 Approve Kaelyn Madelone (Third Grade Teacher) for a paid leave of absence for child rearing starting on or around May 17, 2019, returning for the start of the 2019-20 school year.
- 3.5 Approve Heather Watroba @ Step 1 (prorated) for the child rearing leave of Mrs. Madelone starting on or around May 17, 2019 to June 27, 2019, as per the WTA contract.
- 3.6 Appoint Deion Czerny to the six-month probationary position of Custodial Worker (as approved through Rensselaer County Civil Service), effective 4/1/19 @ \$16.50 an hour.
- 3.7 Appoint Kohle Deguire as a Substitute Custodian @ \$12.50 hour, Teacher's Aide / Non Certified Teacher @ \$80 day, Kitchen / Recess Aide and Kitchen Helper @ \$11.10 Hr.
- 3.8 Approve Michael Bornt for a permanent Teacher's Aide position effective May 7, 2019. (Ending the 6th month probationary period)
- 3.9 Consideration for approval to adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #1, the 2019-20 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 \$9,797,480 during the school year 2019-20 and to levy the necessary tax therefore.
- 3.10 Consideration for approval to adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #2, the 2019-20 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 \$160,437 (2) expend such sum, or so much thereof as shall be necessary; and (3) shall be paid from the current appropriation.
- 3.11 Consideration for approval to adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #3, Shall It Be Resolved, that the Board of Education of Wynantskill Union Free School District be authorized and directed to establish a new Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with the provisions of Section 3651 of the Education Law which shall be used for future building projects, improvements and renovations. The ultimate amount of such fund shall be \$2,500,000 plus interest earnings thereon. The probable term shall be ten years and the source of its funds shall be from unappropriated balances in the District's general fund in current and future years.
- 3.12 Consideration for approval to adopt for presentation to the voters of the district, as PROPOSITION #4, Shall It Be Resolved, that the Board of Education of Wynantskill Union Free School District be authorized and directed to fund the Repair Reserve Fund that was established by the Board of Education on August 23, 2018. The ultimate amount of such fund shall be \$250,000. The source of its funds shall be from unappropriated balances in the District's general fund in current and future years.
- 3.13 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 21st day of May, 2019 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: Susan Czubek and Kristen Abbas.

**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 \$11.50 Hr. / Assistant Clerk \$11.25 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.

3.14 Second Readings and Approval of Policy

- a. Policy # 1900 Parent and Family Engagement
- b. Exhibit # 1900 E.1 Title I parent and Family Engagement – School Level Approach
- c. Exhibit # 1900 E.2 Student Academic Achievement School – Parent Compact

**4.0 Informational**

- 4.1 Budget Hearing May 13, 2019 @ 7 pm
- 4.2 Meet the Candidates May 13, 2019 @ 7 pm
- 4.3 Regular BOE Meeting May 16, 2019 @ 7 pm
- 4.4 Annual School Board Election and Budget Vote May 21, 2019 Noon to 9 pm
- 4.5 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

Discussion: Questar III Budget Vote Tuesday, April 16, 2019 @ 7:50am

**5.0 Request for Executive Session**

There was no request for executive session.

**6.0 Return to Open Session**

**7.0 Adjournment**

Mrs. Castle made a motion to adjourn at 8:19 p.m.

Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4/0.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Hillis  
Clerk of the Board