

**WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**December 19, 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 7:05 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, Dr. Reardon, and Mr. Bateman recognized Molly Graiff, for Epitomizing the Mission Statement of the Gardner-Dickinson School Through Your Daily Actions and Words!

1.4 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. November 21, 2019

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

1.5 Acceptance of Financial Reports

- a. Internal Claims Auditor's Report (November 2019)
- b. Monthly Treasurer's Report with Budget Transfers

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

1.6 Visitors and Communication

a. Communications to the Board of Education

Mr. Lanesey acknowledged the one communication to the Board of Education.

- i. Letter from North Greenbush Memorial Post #1489
- b. Opportunity for the Public to be Heard  
There was nobody wishing to speak.

## **2.0 Reports to the Board of Education**

### 2.1 Board of Education Reports & Updates

- a. Mr. Lanesev will be attending the December Town of North Greenbush's Planning Board Meetings on the Whiteview Condo Project.

### 2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report

Dr. Reardon provided the following to the Board of Education:

- Snow day / Emergency day: The District has used three snow days to date. There was an emergency release day due to plumbing issues. Within one hour from the announcement of the early release the entire school was provided lunch and dismissed with no issues.
- Lockdown Drill: The District had a very successful second lock down drill.
- Senior Citizens: January 16<sup>th</sup> Ms. Gordon and Dr. Reardon will be attending the monthly meeting to serenade the group.
- K-1 Concert: Will take place on Friday, December 20, 2019.
- Kindness Week: The Middle School participated in a week of kindness. Today they participated in an activity where the students and staff gave and received compliments, about 2,000 positive compliments were given in about 15 minutes. Activities of this kind will continue after the New Year.
- Every Student Succeeds Act: The District has come back in Good Standing in all groups and sub group one.

Discussion:

Mrs. Mack: Made comment on the "No School Today" on News Channel 10.

Mr. Lanesev: Expressed concern on the parking during events.

The BOE discussed parking solutions.

### 2.3 Principal's Report

Dr. Yodis provided the following to the Board of Education:

- Lockdown drill: The District conducted their second lock down drill.
- Concerts: Thank you to Mrs. Newell and Ms. Gordon for two successful concerts.
- Turkey Shoot: The District gave away 55 turkeys and 100s of canned goods.
- Holiday Shop: Thank you Mrs. Allen for all of your hard work on the Holiday Shop. Every student was able to participate.
- Questar III: Dr. Reardon, Dr. Yodis, Mrs. Pautler, Mrs. Carmody, Mrs. O'Brien and Ms. Glaz participated in the Students First 1<sup>st</sup> Initiative on Monday, December 16, 2019.
- APPR: Dr. Reardon and Dr. Yodis will have the first round of Teacher Evaluations by the end of the day on Friday, December 20, 2019.

### 2.4 PTA / SEPTA Update

Mrs. Mack provided the PTA and SEPTA report to the Board of Education.

## **3.0 Appointments and Authorizations**

### **Consent agenda 3.1 – 3.8**

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the consent agenda item numbers 3.1-3.8.

Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion: Dr. Reardon provided clarification to the agenda items numbers 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.6, 3.7, & 3.8

- 3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.
- 3.2 Approval of 2020-21 Wynantskill Union Free School District Budget Calendar.
- 3.3 Appoint Maria Malatesta as six month probationary FT Teacher Aide effective January 6, 2020 as per the WTAA contact (prorated).
- 3.4 Appoint Delmarie Moore as a long-term Substitute Teacher Assistant position to fill the leave of absence for Heather Watroba 12/20/19 to 6/26/20 as per WTA contract.
- 3.5 Approve Michelle Nicklas, Special Education Teacher, for a temporary medical leave of absence, effective January 6, 2020 until cleared medically to return to work on or around February 14, 2020.
- 3.6 Accept the resignation of Robert Webb, Bus Driver for the purposes of retirement, effective February 14, 2020.
- 3.7 Appoint Judith Dutton to the position of temporary Internal Auditor (as needed) for the 2019-2020 school year at a rate of \$50.00 per hour.
- 3.8 Second Reading / Approval of Policy
  - a. Policy 1741 Home Schooled Students

Discussion: Mr. Lanese shared his concerns with the proposed NYS mandated HPV and Flu shots.

#### **4.0 Informational**

- 4.1 Regular BOE Meeting January 16, 2020 @ 7 pm
- 4.2 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard
  - There was nobody wishing to speak.

#### **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 7:36 p.m.  
Mrs. Castle seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 4/0.

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.