

WYNANTSKILL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
February 27, 2020 @ 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.

1.1 Record of Attendance

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

1.2 Moment of Silence in honor of Robert Webb

A moment of silence was observed for Mr. Webb.

1.3 Review of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Dr. Reardon reviewed the agenda.

1.4 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. January 16, 2020

Mrs. Castle made a motion to approve the January 16, 2020 regular meeting minutes.
Mr. Hirokawa seconded the motion.
Motion carried 5/0.

1.5 Acceptance of Financial Reports

- a. Internal Claims Auditor's Report (January 2020)
- b. Monthly Treasurer's Report with Budget Transfers

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

1.6 Visitors and Communication

- a. Communications to the Board of Education
- b. Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

Mr. Yager: Spoke on the Little Red (North Greenbush School) tuition and the Board of Education budget workshops.

2.0 Reports to the Board of Education

2.1 Board of Education Reports & Updates

- a. Assemblymember John T. McDonald III

Assemblymember McDonald provided an update on the New York State budget and the initial State Aid runs. Discussion was held with the Board and the community members on tuition being paid to the district.

- b. Mrs. Castle reported that Mr. Lanese and herself went to the North Greenbush School District Capital Project Public Hearing.
- c. Mr. Lanese attended the Town Planning Board Meeting, reporting that the White View project has been tabled.

2.2 District / Superintendent Program Report

Dr. Reardon provided the following information to the BOE:

- a. Present the 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget Forecast & Budget Assumptions
Dr. Reardon provided a snap shot of where the District stands in the 2020-2021 school budget process. Appreciation was given to Mrs. Angrisano and Mrs. Fitzgerald for all of their hard work putting together the scenarios and numbers. The Power Point presentation is available at
https://www.wynantskillufsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Preliminary_School_Budget_Feb-27_2020.pdf

2.3 Principal's Report

Dr. Yodis provided the following information to the BOE:

- a. Professional Development:
 - Foss Training: Grades K-8 were provided hands on Science training.
 - Students First Initiative: Wynantskill Teachers and East Greenbush Teachers worked together on ELA and Math activities and strategies for immediate results.
 - Reading Training: Grades K-1 and 2-5 with CASDA.
 - IEP Writing: The Special Education Teachers learned how to write solid IEP's with educational benefits.
- b. North Greenbush School District Open House: Thank you to Ms. Mahoney and Mrs. Pautler for hosting the successful event.
- c. Unexpected Careers Day: A wide variety of local professionals provided information and activities to middle school students. Thanks was given to Dr. Reardon and Mrs. Swart for the huge undertaking.
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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 – 3.10

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the consent agenda item numbers 3.1-3.10.

Mrs. Castle seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion:

- Dr. Reardon provided clarification to the consent agenda.
- Mrs. Newell gave thanks to the District for their years of support.
- Mr. Lanese had questions on the coaching positions, the 8th Grade field trip, the District Calendar and the BOE Calendar.
- Mr. Strang had questions on the ½ day dismissal times.

3.1 Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations as per attached.

3.2 Accept the resignation of Mary Alice Newell (Music Teacher) for the purposes of retirement, effective June 30, 2020.

3.3 Appoint Keith Akots, Keith Bateman and Michael Bornt for the extra-curricular appointment, Modified Baseball / Softball Coach, for the 2019-20 school year as per the WTA contract.

- 3.4 Appoint Substitutes
 - a. Kasey Werger Substitute Non-Certified Teacher/Teacher Aide \$80 Day
 - b. Leah Kruzinski Substitute Non-Certified Teacher/Teacher Aide \$80 Day
 - c. Sonya Hanlon Substitute Teacher Aide \$80 Day
- 3.5 Approve the 2020-2021 School District Calendar.
- 3.6 Approve the 2020-2021 Board of Education meeting calendar.
- 3.7 Approve the 8th grade field trip to Washington D.C. on May 6 to May 8, 2020.
- 3.8 Approve the 6th grade field trip to Boston Aquarium on May 29, 2020.
- 3.9 Approve the 7th grade field trip to Old Sturbridge Village on June 3, 2020.
- 3.10 Approve the 5th grade field trip to The Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island NYC on June 15, 2020.

4.0 Informational

- 4.1 Regular BOE Meeting March 19, 2020 @ 7 pm
- 4.2 Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

Mr. Yager: Congratulated Mrs. Newell for her years of service in the District and made comment on the District budget.

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 8:14 p.m.
Mr. Strange 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.