

WHITE PLAINS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
White Plains, New York

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, September 11, 2017

Education House
7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. Opening of Meeting:
Pledge of Allegiance
Mission Statement
Moment of Silence in memory of former staff members Anthony Capobianco and Arthur Rondeau
Announcements by the Board President and Board Members
Announcement of Hall of Fame Inductees

- II. Communications:

- III. Public Participation: (The Board will entertain comments from the public on any issue, with a time limit of three minutes per person and a maximum total of 25 minutes.)

- IV. Superintendent's Report:
Summer School Presentation
School Opening
Facilities Update
2017 Assessments

- V. Summary Action Items:
 1. Recommended approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 14, 2017 and the Special Meeting of August 28, 2017.
 2. Recommended approval of the following donation:
\$2,460.06 from the White Plains Substitute Teachers Association for the Guy Mathews Scholarship Fund
 3. Recommended approval to arrange for the appropriate program and services for students with disabilities, as recommended by the Committee on Special Education: 21 cases.

4. Recommended approval to arrange for the appropriate program and services for students with disabilities, as recommended by the Committee on Preschool Special Education: 25 cases.
5. Recommended approval that all employees previously granted a conditional appointment and who have not received clearance from the State Education Department be granted another conditional appointment for 20 days.

Civil Service Staffing

6. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointment of Michelle Gordon, Coordinator-Family Information Center, effective 8/21/17 (had been serving Provisionally).
7. Recommended acceptance of the resignations of the following:
Jared Edwards, Cafeteria Recess Monitor, George Washington School, effective 9/5/17
Jonathan Stanley, Food Service Helper-Floater, Districtwide, effective 8/31/17
8. Recommended approval of the Provisional appointments of the following:
Gina Romano Sahakian, Office Assistant II, High School, effective 9/12/17
(replacing M. Vlasaty)
Jonathan Stanley, Security Assistant, High School, effective 9/12/17 (replacing S. Cooper)
Ajdin Meshaj, Senior Custodian, Rochambeau School, effective 9/12/17 (replacing R. Carroll)
9. Recommended approval of the Temporary appointment of Tania Cuateco,* Cafeteria Recess Monitor, Church Street School, three hours per day, effective 9/5/17.
10. Recommended approval of the unpaid leave of absence for Gracey Sciortino-Servidio, Teacher Aide, Ridgeway School, effective 9/1/17-6/30/18.

Teacher Staffing

11. Recommended approval to rescind the 8/28/17 appointment of Patricia Vickers, Teaching Assistant, George Washington School.
12. Recommended acceptance of the resignation of the following Teaching Assistants:
Maria Anderson, High School, effective 9/5/17 (hourly)
Jonathan Arenas, Middle School-Highlands, effective 8/30/17
Bianca Cooper, Ridgeway School, effective 9/1/17
Kyle DeBatte, Middle School-Highlands, effective 9/1/17
13. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointments of the following Teaching Assistants:

Maria Anderson (Replacing F. Cabibbo, reassigned)
Westchester Community College
Current assignment: High School (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/5/17-9/4/21

Albert David Boykin (Replacing T. George)
BA - University of Bridgeport (Human Services)
Current assignment: George Washington School (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/5/17-9/4/21

Nita Hoda (New position per 2017-18 budget)
BA - SUNY/Purchase (Liberal Studies)
Current assignment: Ridgeway School (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/12/17-9/11/21

Nancy Abplanalp (Replacing A. Colon)
BS - Manhattan College
Current assignment: George Washington School (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/12/17-9/11/21

Aline Fogle (New position per 2017-18 budget)
BA - Manhattanville College (English Literature)
MS - Manhattanville College (Teaching)
Current assignment: Church Street School (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/12/17-9/11/21

Denique Isme (New position per 2017-18 budget)
AAS - Kaplan University (Interdisciplinary Studies)
Current assignment: Middle School-Highlands (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/12/17-9/11/21

Eddie Martinez (New position per IEP mandate)
BA - Concordia College (Business Administration)
Current assignment: Mamaroneck Avenue School (6.5 hours)
Probationary Period: 9/12/17-9/11/21

14. Recommended approval of the hourly appointment of the following Teaching Assistant, effective 9/12/17:

Kristin Price (Replacing M. Anderson)
BA - Canisius College (Psychology/Computer Info Systems)
Current assignment: High School (3 hours)

15. Recommended approval of an increase in hours from 6 hours to 6.5 hours per day for the following Teaching Assistants, effective 9/5/17:

Tracey Black, Church Street School
Adrienne Pollak, Middle School-Eastview
Shinea Smith-Elridge, Church Street School

16. Recommended approval of the appointment to tenure of Sarah Kerby Halaifonua, School Social Worker, Middle School-Highlands, effective 10/13/17.

17. Recommended approval of the revised unpaid childcare leave for Kaitlin Bennett, Elementary Education Teacher, Ridgeway School, effective 10/19/17-6/30/18.

18. Recommended approval of the Regular Substitute appointments of the following:

Amber Fidel (Replacing K. Bennett)
BA - Syracuse University (Music)
MA - Walden University (Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment)
Certification: Permanent, Pre-K, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6, Literacy 1-6
Current Assignment: Elementary Education, Post Road School
Dates of Service: 10/19/17-6/30/18

19. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointment of the following:

Deborah Hickey (New position as per 2017-18 budget)
BA - SUNY/Potsdam (Mathematics)
BM - Crane School of Music (Music Education)
MS - Lehman College (Mathematics)
Certification: Initial, Music, K-12
Tenure Area: Music
Current Assignment: Music Teacher, Districtwide
Probationary Period: 10/11/17-10/10/21

20. Recommended approval of compensation for the following, as per attachment:

- a. 2017-18 Professional, Curriculum and Technology Development Activities, and Miscellaneous Stipends
- b. 2017-18 Interscholastic Co-Curricular Appointments

21. Recommended approval of the appointment of districtwide per diem Substitute Teachers, per diem Substitute Teaching Assistants, Building Substitute Teachers, Test Scorers, Substitute Clerical Support, Substitute Security Assistants, Substitute Nurses, Substitute Food Service Workers and Substitute Custodial Workers as per attachment.

** For staff referenced above as "classroom teacher" or "building principal" as defined in 30-2.2 or 30.3.2 of Part 30 of the Regulations of the Board of Regents, such appointments are conditioned upon meeting the requirements of the Education Law and applicable Regulations such that to be eligible for tenure, the classroom teacher or building principal must have at least three (3) years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings during the probationary period and may not receive an ineffective rating in the final year of probation.*

VI. Other Action:

1. Recommended approval of the Administrative appointment of:

Rosemarie Ampha (New position per 2017-18 budget)
BA - SUNY/Oswego (Mathematics)
MA - Hunter College (Special Education)
MS - SUNY/Albany (Curriculum Development & Instructional Technology)
Certification: Professional, SDL, Students w/Disabilities Grades 1-6; Permanent PreK, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6; Initial, SBL
Tenure Area: Director of Secondary Special Education
Current Assignment: Director of Secondary Special Education
Probationary Period: 10/11/17-10/10/21

2. Bids & Contracts: approval to amend the Special Education Services RFP, previously approved 6/26/17.
3. Recommended approval of the an agreement with the City of White Plains for School Resource Officers.
4. Recommended acceptance of the Audit Committee minutes of 8/28/17.
5. Recommended acceptance of the Internal Auditor Report for the Human Resources Department and the corrective action plan.
6. Recommended acceptance of State and Federal Grant Budgets.
7. Recommended approval of Non-Resident Tuition Agreements for STAR Program.
8. Recommended acceptance of the Free and Reduced Price Meal Program, including Family Income Eligibility Guidelines and Certification.

VII. Board Discussion:

1. Revised policy #3552: Cellular Telephones
2. Board Committee Reports