

WHITE PLAINS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
White Plains, New York

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, February 12, 2018

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 Alma Cormican, Virginia Piccini and John Simon; and former Board of Education Member Norman Lichtenstein
Announcements by the Board President and Board Members

- 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:
Presentation on 2018-19 Instructional Budget

- V. Summary Action Items:
 1. Recommended approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2018.
 2. Recommended approval of the School Calendar for 2018-19.
 3. Recommended approval of the addition of Facing History and Ourselves to the list of organizations permitted use of facilities.
 4. Recommended approval of the following donations:
 - \$1,800 from Curbside Films, Inc. for Highlands Middle School
 - Musical instruments from Lisa Fee for Ridgeway School
 - Office furniture from Barish & O'Brien for Rochambeau School
 - \$1,250 from Ernestine Glenn for the E. Glenn Creative Writing Scholarship
 - \$600 from various donors for the Philip Barnett Memorial Scholarship

5. Recommended approval to arrange for the appropriate program and services for students with disabilities, as recommended by the Committee on Special Education: 64 cases.
6. Recommended approval to arrange for the appropriate program and services for students with disabilities, as recommended by the Committee on Preschool Special Education: 37 cases.
7. Recommended approval of a Stipulation of Settlement in connection with Impartial Hearing Case #505780.

Civil Service Staffing

8. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointments of the following:
 - Geraldine Dymes, Senior Clerk-11 months, High School, effective 1/29/18
 - Carl Finkelson, HVAC Technician, Districtwide, effective 1/2/18
 - Angelina Garbutt, School Technology Coordinator, Districtwide, effective 1/8/18
 - Desiree Sanabria, School Nurse-Floater, Districtwide, effective 3/5/18 (replacing R. White)
 - Phillip Stamatis, Athletic Trainer, High School, effective 2/1/18
 - Rosemarie Testa, Food Service Helper, High School, 3.75 hours per day, effective 2/13/18 (replacing M. Grande)
 - Henry Valencia, Custodial Worker, High School, effective 2/13/18 (replacing H. Garcia)
9. Recommended approval of the Temporary appointments of the following Cafeteria Recess Monitors, 3 hours per day, effective 2/13/18:
 - Alexis Jackson, Post Road School (replacing L. Egleton)
 - Osita Nduka, Mamaroneck Avenue School (replacing E. Calice)
 - Nancy Rosario, Mamaroneck Avenue School (new position approved 2017)
10. Recommended approval of the temporary salary adjustments for the following, in accordance with Article IX of the CSEA contract:
 - Monica Alvarez, Office Assistant II, Staff Development Center, effective 8/21/17-11/13/17
 - Tara Friend, Food Service Helper, Rochambeau School, effective 2/13/18-3/12/18
11. Recommended approval of the Provisional appointments of:
 - Ajdin Meshaj, Senior Custodian, Rochambeau School, effective 2/13/18 (replacing R. Carroll)
 - Laura Leon Zagoya, School Office Manager-Spanish Speaking, Church Street School, effective 2/13/18 (replacing I. Marino)
12. Recommended approval of the second provisional appointment of James Redd, HVAC Technician, Districtwide, effective 1/2/18.
13. Recommended acceptance of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Eileen Levy, Office Assistant I, George Washington School, effective 6/30/18.

14. Recommended acceptance of the resignations of the following:
Ellen Calice, Cafeteria Recess Monitor, Mamaroneck Avenue School, effective 1/22/18
Jay Turner, Custodial Worker, Mamaroneck Avenue School, effective 2/15/18
Jarrod Robinson, Groundswoker, Districtwide, effective 1/28/18
15. Recommended approval of a request for an unpaid leave of absence for Devonnia Jones, Teaching Assistant, Post Road School, effective 1/10/18-4/9/18.
16. Recommended approval that all employees previously granted a conditional appointment and who have not received conditional clearance from the State Education Department be granted another conditional appointment for 20 days.

Teacher Staffing

17. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointments of the following Teaching Assistants:

Amanda Nascimento (Replacing A. Fogle)
AA - Westchester Community College (Social Science)
Current Assignment: Church Street School
Probationary Period: 2/13/18-2/12/22

Jay Turner (Replacing R. Kwik)
BS - Mercy College (Behavioral Science)
Current Assignment: Mamaroneck Avenue School
Probationary Period: 2/15/18-2/12/22
18. Recommended approval of the Leave Replacement appointments of the following Teaching Assistants:

Maura Lynch (Replacing T. Amato)
BA - Western New England College (Marketing)
Current Assignment: Mamaroneck Avenue School
Dates of Service: 2/13/18-6/30/18

Melzi Branez (Replacing C. O'Riley)
BA - National University of Centro del Peru (Business Administration)
Current Assignment: Post Road School
Dates of Service: 2/13/18-6/30/18

Angelica LaMar (Replacing J. Hernandez)
BA - Lehman College (Speech Language Pathology & Audiology)
Current Assignment: Post Road School
Dates of Service: 2/13/18-6/30/18
19. Recommended approval of the Regular Substitute appointment of Xavier Jones, Teaching Assistant, Middle School-Eastview, effective 1/22/18-3/23/18 (replacing F. Escobedo).

20. Recommended acceptance of the resignations for the purpose of retirement of the following Teaching Assistants:
 - Yolanda Cuming, George Washington School, effective 7/1/18
 - Wendy Heanue, Ridgeway School, effective 6/30/18
 - Leanne Santa-Donato, George Washington School, effective 6/30/18

21. Recommended acceptance of the resignation of Jack Molfetta, Teaching Assistant, Mamaroneck Avenue School, effective 2/9/18.

22. Recommended acceptance of requests for unpaid leaves of absence for the following Teaching Assistants:
 - Toni Marie Amato, Mamaroneck Avenue School, effective 1/5/18-6/30/18
 - Claudia O'Riley, Post Road School, effective 2/13/18-6/30/18
 - Jessica Hernandez, Post Road School, effective 11/3/17-6/30/18

23. Recommended acceptance of the resignations for the purpose of retirement of the following, effective 7/1/18, unless noted:
 - Jean Berger, Elementary Education, Mamaroneck Avenue School
 - Jacqueline Cabrera, Learning Facilitator, Church Street School
 - Carolyn Chapman, Special Education Teacher, Ridgeway School
 - Paula Dalto, Family & Consumer Science Teacher, Middle School-Highlands
 - Frank Ferrigno, Music Teacher, Districtwide
 - Deborah Forman, Music Teacher, Church Street School
 - Terri Garrity, Elementary Education, Ridgeway School
 - Phoebe Gilman, Art Teacher, Middle School-Highlands
 - Lorraine Isaac, English Teacher, High School
 - Richard Kaufmann, Art Teacher, High School, effective 8/14/18
 - Jane Markham, Special Education Teacher, Mamaroneck Avenue School
 - Neal Mettler, Science Teacher, High School
 - Lorraine Mollo, Elementary Education, Post Road School
 - Nancy Murphy, Speech Teacher, Mamaroneck Avenue School
 - Patricia Posluszny, Math Instructional Specialist 6-8, Middle School-Highlands
 - Girija Raveendranath, Foreign Language, High School
 - Anthony Russo, Elementary Education, Post Road School
 - Deirdre Washington, Earth Science Teacher, Middle School-Highlands

24. Recommended approval of unpaid childcare leaves for the following:
 - Monique Adams, English Teacher, High School effective 1/25/18-3/31/18
 - Maribel Bautista, Elementary Education Teacher, Post Road School, effective 2/13/18-6/30/18
 - Stephanie Razzak, Elementary Education Teacher, Post Road School, effective 1/29/18-6/30/18

25. Recommended approval of the revised unpaid childcare leave for Geygy Travers, Elementary Teacher, Post Road School, now effective 1/31/18-6/30/18.

26. Recommended approval of the Leave Replacement appointments of the following:

Erin DiMartino (Replacing S. Razzak)
BA - St. Bonaventure University (Elementary Education)
MA - College of New Rochelle (Education)
Certification: Permanent, PreK, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6
Current Assignment: Elementary Education, Post Road School
Dates of Service: 1/29/18-6/30/18

Christopher Kiely (Replacing M. Adams)
BA - SUNY/Albany (English)
MA - St. Thomas Aquinas (Adolescent Education 7-12)
Certification: Initial, English Language Arts 7-12
Current Assignment: English Teacher, High School
Dates of Service: 1/25/18-3/31/18

Claudia O'Riley (Replacing M. Bautista)
BA - Sonora Institute of Technology (Administrative Information Systems)
MA - Lehman College (Education)
Certification: Initial, Early Childhood Education Grades K-2
Current Assignment: Elementary Education Teacher, Post Road School
Dates of Service: 2/13/18-6/30/18

27. Recommended approval of the extension of the Leave Replacement appointment of the following:

Theresa Nicholson (Replacing G. Travers)
BA - Inter American University of Puerto Rico (Mental Health)
MA - University of Phoenix (Education/ESOL)
Certification: Initial, Childhood Education Grades 1-6; ESOL
Current Assignment: Elementary Education Teacher, Post Road School
Dates of Service: 4/1/18-6/30/18

28. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointment of:

Lily Jasper (Replacing M. Roma)
BA - Muhlenberg College (Political Science)
MA - Fordham University (Teaching Adolescent Social Studies)
Certification: Initial, Social Studies 7-12
Tenure Area: Social Studies
Current Assignment: Social Studies Teacher, High School
Probationary Period: 3/5/18-3/4/22

29. Recommended approval of the temporary .2 increases in time for AVID appointments, effective 1/22/18-5/1/18, (replacing C. Friedman) of:

Jennifer Stein, Reading, High School
Katherine Hart, English, Middle School-Highlands

30. Recommended approval of the extension of the probationary periods from 7/31/18 to 7/31/19 for the following employees: #1060 & #5656.

31. Recommended approval of compensation for the following, as per attachment:
 - a. 2017-18 Professional, Curriculum and Technology Development Activities, and Miscellaneous Stipends
 - b. Extended Day Appointments
 - c. 2017-18 Interscholastic/Co-Curricular Appointments
32. 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 acceptance of the resignation for the purpose of retirement of H. Joseph Cloherty, Principal, Middle School-Eastview, effective 8/3/18.
2. Recommended approval of the Treasurer's Report for December 2017, as per attachment.
3. Recommended approval of counsel's recommendation for a resolution pertaining to tax certiorari settlements, as per attachment.
4. Recommended approval of adjustment to 2017-18 Budget, for field trips, as per attachment.
5. Recommended acceptance of 2017-2018 Budget Modification for mandated contractual services for students with IEPs as per attachment.
6. Recommended approval of Memoranda of Understanding with identified evacuation sites, in accordance with district safety plans, as per attachment.
7. Capital Projects: Recommended acceptance of SEQRA related to 2017-2018 minor capital projects.
8. Recommended approval to participate in joint bidding with SWBOCES, per attachment.
9. Recommended approval of a resolution authorizing a contract with the Westchester County Center for Moving Up Day and Commencement, June 21, 2018.
10. Recommended approval of revised policy #6153: Field Trips

VII. Board Discussion:

1. Board Committee Reports