

WHITE PLAINS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
White Plains, New York

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, March 12, 2018

Education House
7:30 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING/COMMUNITY FORUM
SUPERINTENDENT'S PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR 2018-19

AGENDA

- I. Opening of Meeting:
Pledge of Allegiance
Mission Statement
Moment of Silence in memory of former staff members Leah Mendelsohn and Rose Vaccaro
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:

- V. Summary Action Items:
 1. Recommended approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2018 and of the Special Meetings of February 20, and 26, 2018.
 2. Recommended approval of the addition of Look Locations, LLC and Rotary District of Westchester to the list of organizations permitted use of facilities.

3. Recommended approval of the following donations:
 - \$8,000 from Friends of White Plains Public Schools for the remainder of payment for the Beyond Ballroom Dancing Program grant for 2017-18
 - \$500 for the High School from Dr. Marguerite Itamar Harrison in memory of her father Langston Randolph Harrison, '45
 - \$50 from Mikhail Iwanow for Ridgeway School
4. Recommended approval to arrange for the appropriate program and services for students with disabilities, as recommended by the Committee on Special Education: 151 cases.
5. Recommended approval to arrange for the appropriate program and services for students with disabilities, as recommended by the Committee on Preschool Special Education: 34 cases.
6. 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.

Civil Service Staffing

7. Recommended acceptance of the resignation of the following:
 - Tara Friend, Food Service Helper, Rochambeau School, effective 3/13/18
 - Armando Rojas, Custodial Worker, High School, effective 2/10/18
 - Rosemarie Testa, Food Service Helper, High School, effective 2/20/18
 - Jason Dantes, Custodial Worker, High School, effective 3/13/18
8. Recommended approval of the Probationary appointments of the following:
 - Patricia McGuire, Food Service Helper, 3 hours per day, Middle School-Eastview, effective 3/13/18 (replacing M. Mendoza)
 - Tara Friend, Cook/Manager, Rochambeau School, effective 3/13/18 (replacing G. Cipollaro)
 - Jason Dantes, Groundswoker, Districtwide, effective 3/13/18 (replacing J. Robinson)
9. Recommended acceptance of the resignations for the purpose of retirement for the following:
 - Janis McClain-Johnson, Secretary, Middle Schools-Eastview and Highlands, effective 6/30/18
 - Connie Servello, Office Assistant II, Family Information Center, effective 7/28/18
 - Angelina Triano, Food Service Helper, White Plains High School, effective 6/30/18
 - Gail Young, Parent Information Center Assistant, Family Information Center, effective 6/30/18
10. Recommended approval of the Temporary appointment of Sara Florez, Cafeteria Recess Monitor, Church Street School, 3 hours per day, effective 3/13/18.
11. Recommended approval of a temporary salary adjustment for Jimmy Serrano, Groundswoker, Districtwide, effective 1/9/18, in accordance with Article IX of the CSEA contract.

12. Recommended approval to abolish one School Technology Specialist position, Districtwide, effective 3/13/18 (currently vacant).
13. Recommended approval to create one Personal Computer Network Specialist position, Districtwide, effective 3/13/18.

Teacher Staffing

14. Recommended approval of the request for an unpaid leave of absence for Nancy Bravo, Teaching Assistant, Church Street School, effective 3/13/18-6/30/18.
15. Recommended approval of the probationary appointment of the following Teaching Assistant:

Jeffy Charles (Replacing J. Molfetta)
BS - Utica College (Business Management)
Current Assignment: Mamaroneck Avenue School
Probationary Period: 3/13/18-3/12/22
16. Recommended approval of the Leave Replacement appointment of the following Teaching Assistant:

Paula Bernal (Replacing N. Bravo)
Westchester Community College - Liberal Arts/Childhood Education (currently attending)
Current Assignment: Church Street School
Dates of Service: 3/13/18-6/30/18
17. Recommended approval to amend the end date of the unpaid leave of absence of Devonnia Jones, Teaching Assistant, Post Road School, from 4/9/18 to 2/9/18.
18. Recommended approval to amend the end date of the Regular Substitute appointment of Xavier Jones, Teaching Assistant, Middle School-Eastview, from 3/23/18 to 3/2/18 (replacing F. Escobedo).
19. Recommended approval of unpaid childcare leaves for the following:
Caryn Friedman, Social Studies Teacher, Middle School-Highlands, effective 3/21/18-4/30/18
Caitlin Smith, Elementary Teacher, Church Street School, effective 4/13/18-5/31/18
Elizabeth Verias, School Psychologist, Middle School-Eastview, effective 3/26/18-6/30/18
Kelly McAvoy-Giarrusso, English Teacher, High School, effective 4/9/18-5/10/18
20. Recommended approval of an unpaid leave of absence for Jacqueline Miller, Elementary Education Teacher, Church Street School, effective 2/26/18-4/10/18.
21. Recommended approval of the extension of the unpaid leave of absence for Cairenn Broderick, Biology Teacher, High School, effective 9/1/18-6/30/19

22. Recommended approval of the Leave Replacement appointment of the following:

Jennifer Faul (Replacing K. Giarrusso)
BA - SUNY/Binghamton (English)
MA - Columbia University (English)
Certification: Permanent, English
Current Assignment: English Teacher, High School
Dates of Service: 4/9/18-5/10/18

Veronica Mittenzwei (Replacing C. Smith)
BA - Wagner College (Music & Theater)
MA - Manhattanville College (Childhood Education)
Certification: Initial, Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Current Assignment: Elementary Education Teacher, Church Street School
Dates of Service: 4/13/18-5/31/18

Dania Paula (Replacing E. Verias)
BA – SUNY/Binghamton (Psychology)
MSE - Long Island University (School Psychology)
Certification: Provisional, School Psychologist
Current Assignment: School Psychologist, Middle School-Eastview
Dates of Service 3/26/18-6/30/18

Emma Goodman (Replacing J. Miller)
BA - Gettysburg College (Sociology)
MPS - Manhattanville College (Childhood Education)
Certification: Initial, Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Current Assignment: Elementary Education, Church Street School
Dates of Service: 2/26/18-4/10/18

23. Recommended approval of the tenured reappointment of Kathy Nissinoff, Family & Consumer Science Teacher, Middle School-Highlands, effective 9/1/18 (from the Preferred Eligible List).

24. Recommended approval of the Part-Time appointment of :

Kerry Salvatierra, (Replacing E. Ulmer)
BA - Harvard University (Comparative Religion)
MS - Fordham University (Childhood Education)
MSE - Bank Street (currently attending)
Certification: Professional, Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Current Assignment: .6 Reading Teacher, Church Street School
Dates of Service: 4/9/18-6/30/18

25. Recommended approval of compensation for the following, as per attachments:
- 2017-18 Professional, Curriculum and Technology Development Activities, and Miscellaneous Stipends
 - 2017-18 Interscholastic Co-Curricular Appointments
 - 2017 Extended Day Appointments

26. 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 Treasurer's Report for January, 2018, as per attachment.
2. Recommended approval to appropriate Tax Certiorari Reserve funds to increase 2017-18 budget for required tax certiorari claims, as per attachment.
3. Recommended approval of a proposition to the voters to authorize expenditures from the Capital Reserve Fund, as per attachment.
4. Recommended approval of a proposition to the voters to authorize provision of transportation for grades 9-12, as per attachment.
5. Recommended acceptance of the Pathways Step Up grant, per attachment.
6. Recommended approval to authorize an agreement with R.J.T. Motorist Services Inc., as per attachment.
7. Bids & Contracts: Recommended approval to enter into a contract with SWBOCES to furnish computer services via IPA, as per attachment; Rockland BOCES for purchase of diesel fuel; renewal of bid – lawn and grounds maintenance.

VII. Board Discussion:

1. Board Committee Reports