

October 15, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Union Free School District of the Tarrytowns, was held on Thursday, October 15, 2009 in the Board Room of the Administration Building, commencing at 8:00PM.

Present: Mimi Godwin, President
Craig Laub, Trustee
B. Joseph Lillis, Trustee
Vincent Nadile, Trustee
Katharine M. Swibold, Trustee

Absent: Paul Rode, Vice President
Sheila J. Conklin, Trustee

Also present: Howard W. Smith, Superintendent of Schools
Barbarann Tantillo, Assistant Superintendent
John J. Staiger, Jr., Assistant Superintendent for Business
Nelly Valentin, District Clerk

Roll Call

Call to Order

President Godwin called the meeting to order at 7:32PM. *Note: Trustee Nadile arrived for executive session at 7:38PM.*

Executive Session

Trustee Lillis moved, seconded by Trustee Swibold, that it be
RESOLVED: That the Board goes into executive session to discuss particular personnel matters.

Public Session

CARRIED 4-0 7:32PM
No formal action was taken.

CARRIED 5-0 8:10PM

Trustee Nadile moved, seconded by Trustee Lillis, that it be
RESOLVED: That the Board returns to Public Session.

Silent Meditation

There was a moment of silent meditation, after which the Pledge to the Flag was given.

A citizen commented on the math challenge program at Washington Irving School.

**Citizens'
Comments**

Students from the foreign language honor society invited the Board to the International Banquet on Thursday, November 5th at 6PM. A formal invitation will follow. President Godwin thanked the two students for personally inviting the Board and noted they would love to attend.

CARRIED 5-0

**Minutes:
10/1/09**

Trustee Laub moved, seconded by Trustee Swibold, that it be
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, having received copies of the minutes of the regular meeting of October 1, 2009 approves as amended.

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Board packets and requested that each board member review the time sensitive materials. A representative from Ameresco will address any questions or concerns at the next board meeting on November 5th. It is anticipated that a resolution will appear on the November 19th agenda.

President Godwin acknowledged Janis Caola, Typist and Deputy District Treasurer for all her years of service to the district. A plaque recognizing 28.8 years of service will be given to her.

Dr. Smith reported that the week of October 19-23 has been declared School Board Recognition week by Governor David Paterson. Dr. Smith thanked all the board members for their dedicated service and continued support of the schools. He presented each board member with a padfolio. President Godwin thanked Dr. Smith for the warm gesture and also thanked the District Clerk for all she does.

Dr. Smith reported that the Town of Mt. Pleasant is holding an IDA meeting regarding the GM property on Wednesday, October 28th at 5PM and invited the board members to attend.

Dr. Smith indicated that he sent a letter to the Mayor of Tarrytown and the Village Administrator asking for a multi-year extension of the agreement for use of the DPW bay garage as the district's bus garage.

Dr. Smith gave a powerpoint presentation on the proposed Economic Sustainability Analysis. The report included:

- Plan Structure
- District Administration
- Fire, Liability & Accident Insurance
- Operations & Maintenance
- Transportation
- Building Supervision
- Teaching
- AIS - Reading
- ESL
- K-7 Foreign Language
- Elementary Band, Orchestra, Chorus
- Instructional Media
- Pupil Services
- Co-Curricular & Sports
- Benefits
- Debt Service

Discussion followed.

Dr. Smith gave the following good news items:

- The Hitachi Greenhouse dedication ceremony was held on Thursday, October 8th at Washington Irving and it was a great success. A DVD of the greenhouse was shown. Dr. Smith thanked Mimi Godwin and Nelly Valentin for their assistance in organizing this event.
- The district wide day of recycling will take place this Saturday, October 17th at Morse School. Funds raised from this event will go towards scholarships for Sleepy Hollow High School students.

**Policy #1510,
#1510R**

The Board had a second reading of Policy #1510 Use of District Internet Site and #1510R Use of District Internet Site Regulations. A third reading and adoption will take place at the November 5th board of education meeting.

CARRIED 5-0

**STAFF
PERSONNEL:**

Trustee Lillis moved, seconded by Trustee Nadile, that
RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Staff Personnel Motions, as listed:

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following retirement resignation:

**Retirement
Resignation:**

J. Caola

Janis Caola, Typist/Deputy Treasurer – Business Office, effective January 4, 2010, after 28.8 years of service.

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following resignations:

Resignations:

**P. Buckley
J. Howard
K. Carey**

Patrick Buckley, from the stipend position of intramural sports – Sleepy Hollow High School, effective October 2, 2009.

Jovan Howard, school monitor, effective June 30, 2009.

Kathleen Carey, Registered Professional Nurse – W.L. Morse School, effective October 30, 2009, after one year of service.

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional/non-instructional substitute staff for the 2009/2010 school year:

Substitute Staff:

Kristen Hicks	Long Term Substitute Teacher	\$290 per diem (effective November 2, 2009 through January 29, 2010)
Francesca Zimmer	Long Term Substitute Teacher	\$290 per diem (effective November 6, 2009 through June 30, 2010)
Marianna Molina	School Monitor	\$16.04 per hour
Anne Mc Gee	Teaching Assistant	\$13.00 per hour
Beth Weiss	Teacher	\$85.00 per diem
Carol Kelly	Teacher	\$85.00 per diem
Dragan Jukic	School Monitor	\$14.04 per hour
Gail Kelly	Teacher	\$85.00 per diem
Lisa LeFever-Booker	Clerical	\$14.73 per hour
Lisa LeFever-Booker	Teaching Assistant	\$13.00 per hour
Dragan Jukic	Cleaner	\$15.00 per hour
Lori Bernat	Teacher	\$85.00 per diem
Lori Bernat	Teaching Assistant	\$13.00 per hour
Karen Bucci	School Nurse	\$85.00 per diem
Kathleen Carey	School Nurse	\$85.00 per diem
Christina Kharem	Long Term Sub Teacher	\$290.00 per diem (effective January 4, 2010 through March 25, 2010)

**K. Hicks
F. Zimmer
M. Molina
A. McGee
B. Weiss
C. Kelly
D. Jukic
G. Kelly
L. LeFever-Booker
L. Bernat
K. Bucci
K. Carey
C. Kharem**

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RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following to the After School Program for the 2009/2010 school Year: (Funded by 21st Century Grant)

After School Program:

W.L. Morse School

Valerie Rhames	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Kim Moriarty	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Tatiana Godinho	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Tonya Richardson	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Xiomara Kluge	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Denise Patterson	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Lorraine Garcia	Sub Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Clare Carr	Sub Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Rasheda Mohiuddin	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour

John Paulding School

Laura Ferrari	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Laura Ferrari	Co-Coordinator	\$40.00 per hour
Tina Farlekas	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Gladys Bencosme	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Kristen Messina	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Kristen Messina	Substitute Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Nohely Ochoa	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Joel Frutkin	Sub Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
MaryJo Daley	Substitute Teacher	\$35.00 per hour

Washington Irving School

Maureen Considine	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Mike DeLeo	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Brian Duschenchuk	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Abbey Gilligan	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Rachel Gonzalez	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Marianne Horner	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Terri Huntington	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Monique Leveille	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Holly Martins	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Anna Wieland	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Cindy Booth	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Gertrude Dunbar	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Nan Gordon	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Elvira Juarez	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Monique Lanjewar	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Barbara Wohl	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Jean O'Brien	Sub Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Maribel Oliva	Sub Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Leah Bernabei	Sub Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Lyn Dalton	Sub Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Roseann Venturini	Sub Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour

**V. Rhames
K. Moriarty
T. Godinho
T. Richardson
X. Kluge
D. Patterson
L. Garcia
C. Carr
R. Mohiuddin
L. Ferrari
T. Farlekas
G. Bencosme
K. Messina
N. Ochoa
J. Frutkin
M. Daley
M. Considine
M. DeLeo
B. Duschenchuk
A. Gilligan
R. Gonzalez
M. Horner
T. Huntington
M. Leveille
H. Martins
A. Wieland
C. Booth
G. Dunbar
N. Gordon
E. Juarez
M. Lanjewar
B. Wohl
J. O'Brien
M. Oliva
L. Bernabei
L. Dalton
R. Venturini**

After School Program:

Tappan Hill School		
Heather Schoenberg	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Meredith Thomas	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Jessica Ore	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Robin Suarez	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Vicky de Barros	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Blair Moynahan	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Kathy Jones	Substitute Teacher	\$35.00 per hour
Kathia Javier	Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour
Stephanie Keeney	Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$25.00 per hour

- H. Schoenberg**
- M. Thomas**
- J. Ore**
- R. Suarez**
- V. deBarros**
- B. Moynahan**
- K. Jones**
- K. Javier**
- S. Keeney**
- M. Perez Gramonte**

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following to the After School Program for the 2009/2010 school year: (Funded by Extended School Day Grant)

Sleepy Hollow Middle & High School		
Martha Perez Gramonte	Teacher	\$35.00 per hour

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following staff for the 2009/2010 school year:

Staff:

Ysmelda Rondon	Bilingual (Spanish) Translator	\$25.00 per hour
Julia Calderon	Bilingual (Spanish) Translator	\$25.00 per hour
Marta Perez	Bilingual (Spanish) Translator	\$25.00 per hour
Gladys Otero	Bilingual (Spanish) Translator	\$25.00 per hour

- Y. Rondon**
- J. Calderon**
- M. Perez**
- G. Otero**

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following to a stipend position for the 2009/10 school year:

Stipends:

Team Leader – Grade 2	Sandra Tavares	\$1,575
Board Meeting Media Assistant	Lee Swift	\$40 per meeting
7 th Grade Team Leader	Audra Emmerich	\$1,206 (effective September 9 through December 4, 2009)

- S. Tavares**
- L. Swift**
- A. Emmerich**

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following to a Fall 2009 stipend:

Fall Stipend:

Intramurals (Sleepy Hollow High School)	Desmond Turner	\$2,512
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RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby revises the following:

Revisions:

- Bethany Ordonez, Teacher Aide – SHHS, from probationary to permanent, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, effective October 21, 2009.
- Philip Goldberg, teaching assistant, Sleepy Hollow Middle School, from 7¼ hours per day to 7¾ hours per day, at a salary of \$29,433, effective September 9, 2009.
- Dominique Laurent, Teacher Aide – Sleepy Hollow Middle School, from probationary to permanent, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations, effective October 28, 2009.

- B. Ordonez**
- P. Goldberg**
- D. Laurent**

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RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional/non-instructional staff for the 2009/2010 school year:

Staff:

Joel Frutkin, Teaching Assistant (Supervision), John Paulding School, ½ hour per day, at a rate of \$24.78 per hour, for the 2009/2010 school year.

**J. Frutkin
D. Billings
I. Ruiz**

Dolores Billings, Teaching Assistant (Supervision), John Paulding School, ½ hour per day, at a rate of \$24.78 per hour, for the 2009/2010 school year.

R. Mignogna

Iris Ruiz, Teaching Assistant (Supervision), John Paulding School, ½ hour per day, at a rate of \$24.78 per hour, for the 2009/2010 school year.

Regina Mignogna, Reading Teacher (Replacement)

Assignment: Sleepy Hollow Middle School

Appointment Type: Probationary

Probationary Dates: October 19, 2009 through October 18, 2012

Tenure Area: Reading

Certification: New York State Permanent Certification, Reading, PreK-6

Education: Temple University, Philadelphia, PA - MS

West Chester University, Philadelphia, PA - BS

Experience: White Plains Public Schools, White Plains, NY

Reading Teacher, 1 year

Building Substitute Teacher, 3 years

Tutor, 16 years

Salary: MA, Step 2

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants an unpaid leave of absence to Cindy Curran, Registered Professional Nurse – Tappan Hill/John Paulding School, effective October 20, 2009 through October 27, 2009.

**Unpaid LOA:
C. Curran**

CARRIED 5-0

Trustee Nadile moved, seconded by Trustee Swibold, that it be

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Student Personnel Motions, as listed:

**STUDENT
PERSONNEL:**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accepts the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education (CSE) at its September 16, 22, 24, 28, 29, 30, 2009 meetings, as attached (Appendix #1).

CSE/CPSE

CARRIED 5-0

Trustee Nadile moved, seconded by Trustee Lillis, that it be

RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Finance and Facilities Motion, as listed:

FINANCE/FACILITIES:

RESOLVED: That Webster Bank, N.A., be added as an Official Depository Bank for funds of the school district.

**Webster Bank as
Official Depository
Bank**

CARRIED 5-0

October 15, 2009

Trustee Nadile moved, seconded by Trustee Swibold, that it be
RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following General Motions, as listed:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Nugent & Haeussler, P.C., to provide the internal audit risk assessment, at a fee of \$6,500, for the 2009/2010 school year.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Family Services of Westchester, to provide bilingual mental health and social services, as part of the outreach/after school program, at a fee of \$6,000, effective September 2009 through August 2010. (Funded by Extended School Day Grant)

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Family Services of Westchester, to provide mental health services, as part of the outreach/after school program, at a rate of \$50 per hour, not to exceed \$8,500, effective September 2009 through August 2010. (Funded by Extended School Day Grant)

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Daniela Figueiredo, Childcare provider, at a rate of \$8.00 per hour, not to exceed \$400.00, for the 2009/2010 school year. (Funded by Two-Way Grant)

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Gisselle Cardenas, Childcare provider, at a rate of \$8.00 per hour, not to exceed \$400.00, for the 2009/2010 school year. (Funded by Two-Way Grant)

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Suleiky Almonte, Childcare provider, at a rate of \$8.00 per hour, not to exceed \$400.00, for the 2009/2010 school year. (Funded by Two-Way Grant)

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education is authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Pelham Art Center, for artist in residence in the after school program at John Paulding School, at a fee of \$1,338.00, effective November 5, 2009 through February 10, 2010. (Funded by 21st Century Grant)

CARRIED 5-0

8:56PM

Trustee Laub moved, seconded by Trustee Swibold, that it be
RESOLVED: That the meeting of the Board be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelly Valentin
District Clerk

Appendices:

#1 CSE/CPSE Reports