

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
HUNTINGTON U.F.S.D.**

September 12, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, September 12, 2011 at Jack Abrams School, Huntington Station, New York. The meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m.

ROLL CALL

There were present Board of Education Members: Rogan, Black, Brown, Hebert, McGrath, Spector; Gregory Guercio, Esq., Christopher Guercio, Esq., Steven Spucces, Superintendent Polansky, Dr. Card, Dr. Giani, Mr. Grackin and Mrs. Troffa. Mr. Paci was absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to go into Executive Session to discuss negotiations and litigation-related matters.

MOTION carried 6-0.

At 7:40 p.m. Mrs. Rogan reconvened the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Rogan led the Board of Education and the others present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

Mrs. Rogan discussed the exits to be used in the event of an emergency.

SMOKE-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mrs. Rogan announced that the Huntington Union Free School District is a smoke-free district and smoking is prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds. She also asked that all cell phones be turned off.

APPROVALS

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Hebert and seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the Board of Education Minutes of August 29, 2011.

MOTION carried 6-0.

The following reports were presented for information only:

FYI – Expenditure Reports as of August 31, 2011

1. General Fund
2. School Lunch Fund
3. Special Aid Fund

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Spector announced that the Blue Devil Marching Band will be performing at the Huntington Station Awareness Day Parade on Saturday September 17, 2011. He invited everyone to attend. Times and location were announced.

Mrs. Rogan indicated that she and several board members, accompanied by Mr. Polansky, Mr. Grackin and Mr. White toured the facilities prior to the opening of school. Mrs. Rogan

credited Buildings and Grounds staff for their hard work in getting ready for the opening of school.

Mrs. Rogan attended Superintendent’s Conference Day on September 6, 2011 along with Mrs. Hebert. Mr. Polansky gave a rousing kick-off to the school year and the overall sentiment from staff was wonderful. Mr. Polansky commented that we have momentum to move forward with important educational issues. He also commented that Finley Middle School lost power the first day of school but students continued to work in their classrooms and dismissal went smoothly. Phones were out at Woodhull. Connect Ed messages were sent to parents in regard to both.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Members of the community were given the opportunity to address the Board of Education on items on the agenda. Commentary began at 7:48 p.m. and ended at 8:00 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

Finley Middle School External School Curriculum Audit Presentation

Mr. Amato presented an extensive report explaining the findings of the External School Curriculum Audit, the recommendations from the ESCA for 2011-2012 and 2012-2013, and Finley’s Action Plan for this school year.

Long Range Facilities Planning Committee Presentation

Mrs. Hebert summarized the findings of the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee and the three recommendations that the committee put forth.

Concussion Management Protocol/Standard of Care

Mr. Polansky explained the Concussion Management protocol for student-athletes and that it would be implemented in our school district for student-athletes who sustain a concussion injury while participating in interscholastic athletics. The purpose is to make sure that we are not putting student athletes back on the field and in harm’s way before they should return. Mr. Polansky explained how we would use the impact software to get a baseline number at the start of the season. Mrs. McCarthy intends to get a baseline for all of our student athletes during this year.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to authorize administration to arrange for the provision of appropriate special education programs and services for students as enumerated in the CSE and CPSE minutes:

CSE	CPSE	Amendment
27835	27809	23701
	27707	27599
	27945	21985
	28067	23259
	27957	27664
	27864	24771
		27754
		27273
		24717
		24243
		27218
		22408
		21925
		24949
		24938
		23743
		21918
		27371
		21962
		24503

22878
24494
21981
24661
24654
25009
27611
27620

MOTION carried 6-0.

PERSONNEL

On the recommendation of the Superintendent a MOTION was made by Mr. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Spector to approve the following changes in personnel as reflected in schedules H.1 through H.4 and H.6 through H.8.

MOTION carried 6-0.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Spector and seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve the following changes in personnel as reflected in schedule H.5.

AYES:

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Mrs. Black
Mrs. Hebert
Mr. McGrath
Mrs. Rogan
Mr. Spector

NOES:

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Mrs. Brown

ABSTAIN:

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MOTION carried 5-1.

H. 1 Approve Return from Leave of Absence

Return from Leave of Absence					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Reason
1.1	AMA	Rhonda Nixon	HS/Aide	9/7/11	FMLA Ended

H. 2 Approve Instructional New Hires

Probationary							
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Certification	Effective Date	Salary	Replacing
2.1	ATH	John Scheffer	Latin/WH/ MS/HS	Supplemental/ Latin 7-12 <i>Pending</i> Initial/Latin/7- 12 <i>Pending</i> Initial/ELA 7-12	9/13/11	Sch. V Step 1 \$57,525.00	S. Hull
Mr. Scheffer's Probation Period is 9/13/11-9/13/14							

H. 3 Approve Non-Instructional New Hires

Full-time						
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Salary	Replacing
3.1	CU	Linda Catalano	HS/10 mo. Clerk Typist	9/13/11	\$21,140.00	L. Abner
3.2	B&G	Michael Rispoli	JE/Nights	9/13/11	\$53,981.00	K. Boyles
Part-Time						
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Salary	Replacing
3.3	AMA	Deborah Roday	WH/3 hr. monitor	9/13/11	\$12.26/hr	New
3.4	AMA	Christina Plant	WH/3 hr. monitor	9/13/11	\$12.26/hr	New
3.5	AMA	Laura Marziliano	WH/3 hr. monitor	9/13/11	\$12.26/hr	New
3.6	STU	Nicholas Sherman	HS-Lab Assistant	2011-2012	\$7.25/hr	N/A

H. 4 Approve Recall of Non-Instructional Staff

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
4.1	AMA	Nancie Corcoran	WH/3 hr. monitor	9/13/11	\$17.61/hr

H. 5 Approve Extra Duty Assignments

Supervision of Cafeteria Aides - MS			
No.	Name	Description	Rate of Pay
5.1	Matthew Perlongo	Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.2	Michael Gavilan	Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.3	Brian Reynolds	Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.4	Travis Smith	Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.5	Caterina Cain	Substitute Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.6	Phillip Lowe	Substitute Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.7	Carol Dow	Substitute Supervisor	\$29.89/hr
5.8	Heidi Magerle	Substitute Supervisor	\$29.89/hr

H. 6 Approve Additional Work

Supervision-MS					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
6.1	AMA	Carol Dow	Detention	2011-2012	\$31.70/hr
Part Time Teachers at Superintendent's Conference Day					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
6.2	ATH	Ozlem Artukmac (.4)	Full Time Equivalent	9/6/11	\$181.10
6.3	ATH	Jessica Castaneda (.4)	Full Time Equivalent	9/6/11	\$166.22
Special Education - Clerical Funded through Special Education Grant 611					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
6.4	AMA	Phyllis Albini	Clerical Support	2011-2012	Up to 25 days \$23.19/hr
6.5	NC	Megan Bennett	Clerical Support	2011-2012	Up to 25 days \$10.50/hr
6.6	NC	Laura Costa	Clerical Support	2011-2012	Up to 25 days \$10.50/hr
6.7	AMA	Paula Ferraiolo	Clerical Support	2011-2012	Up to 25 days \$19.99/hr
6.8	AMA	Linda Kehn	Clerical Support	2011-2012	Up to 25 days \$23.47/hr
6.9	AMA	Anna Naccarato	Clerical Support	2011-2012	Up to 25 days \$23.19/hr
Special Education - Record Access Funded through Special Education Grant 611					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
6.1 0	NC	Linda Leake	File retrieval/ Recording data	2011-2012	Up to 250 hours \$10.50/hr
Special Education - Consultation & Training					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
6.1 1	ATH	Christopher Hender	Parent Counseling & Training – Student #22537	2011-2012	Up to 3 hours/wk \$48.97/hr
Special Education Student #'s 27431, 27432					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
6.1 2	ATH	Christopher Hender	Home Tutoring Student # 27431	2011-2012	Up to 21 hrs. \$48.97/hr
6.1 3	ATH	Christopher Hender	Home Tutoring Student # 27432	2011-2012	Up to 12 hrs. \$48.97/hr
6.1 4	ATH	TBA	Speech Student # 27431	2011-2012	Up to 21 hrs. \$48.97/hr

6.1 5	ATH	TBA	Speech Student # 27432	2011-2012	Up to 12 hrs. \$48.97/hr
Adult Education					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
6.16	NC	Michael Donnelly	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.17	NC	Edward Enyart	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.18	NC	Fernando Gomez	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.19	NC	Richard Gress	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.20	NC	Joanne Gurrieri	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.21	NC	Kelly Hatzmann	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.22	NC	Annie Hsiao	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.23	NC	Olena Kropp	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.24	NC	Linda Kundla	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.25	NC	Beth Laraia	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.26	NC	Bud Levy	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.27	NC	Robert Mallon	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.28	NC	Jenny Marcotte	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.29	NC	Allison Matthews	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.30	NC	Kieran Mock	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.31	NC	Johnnie Morales	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.32	NC	Anna Naccarato	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
Adult Education – continued					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
6.33	NC	Michael Posner	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.34	NC	Robert Previto	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.35	NC	Carlos Pumar	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.36	NC	Martha Reilly	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.37	NC	Linda Roth	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.38	NC	Carmela Stone Klein	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.39	NC	Jane Voorhees	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.40	NC	Ellen Winter	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
6.41	NC	Richard Vos	Instructor	2011-2012	\$25.00/hr
Music					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
6.42	ATH	Katherine Canales	.17 Additional Assignment/WH	2011-2012	\$9,496.20 annual

H. 7 Approve Salary Schedule Changes / Adjustments

No.	Name	School	From	To	Effective Date
7.1	Nicole Cooper	HS	Sch. IV Step 1 \$55,405.00	Sch. V Step 1 \$57,525.00	9/1/11
7.2	Jennifer Irvolino	HS	Sch. VI Step 11 \$84,620.00	Sch. VIII Step 11 \$91,795.00	9/1/11
7.3	Denise Reinesch	SD	Sch. VI Step 17.5 \$99,060.00	Sch. VII Step 17.5 \$101,865.00	9/1/11
7.4	Christyn Roseto	WA	Sch. VII Step 6.5 \$76,095.00	Sch. VIII Step 6.5 \$79,930.00	9/1/11

H. 8 Approve Substitutes

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
8.1	ATH	John Scheffer	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.2	ATH	Robert Barca	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day

8.3	ATH	Urte Goldstein	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.4	ATH	Rosamaria Napoli	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.5	ATH	Danielle Sadusky	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.6	ATH	Desirae Stropoli	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.7	ATH	Jennifer Summers	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.8	ATH	Garrett Tate	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.9	ATH	Melissa Warnke	Teacher	2011-2012	\$90.00/day
8.10	AMA	Shirley Bradford	Aide	2011-2012	\$9.00/hr.

Buildings	Units	
HS = Huntington High School	DW = District-wide	SHHA = Study Hall and Hallway Assistants
MS = Finley Middle School	CO = Central Office	B & G = Buildings & Grounds
JA = Jack Abrams School	NC = Non Contractual	FSW = Food Service Workers
WH = Woodhull Intermediate	STU = Student Worker	SEC = Security
FH = Flower Hill Primary	AMA = Aides and Monitors	NUR = Nurses
SD = Southdown Primary	DSPA = District Supervisors and Principals	CU = Clerical
JE = Jefferson Primary	Assoc HCA= Chairpersons	
WA = Washington Primary		

BUSINESS

Approval of Resolution

Tax Anticipation Note

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to approve the Tax Anticipation Note in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000.

(See attached)

MOTION carried 6-0.

Acceptance of Donation

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to accept a donation from the Jefferson PTA of \$2,000 to be used toward the purchase of a SmartBoard. Expenditure Code A-2110-450-04-0108 will be credited by this amount.

MOTION carried 6-0.

Approval of Facilities Use Request

Huntington Chamber of Commerce

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to approve the Huntington Chamber of Commerce as an approved user of our facilities.

(See attached)

MOTION carried 6-0.

Disposal of Books

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to place the books on the attached list on the disposal list.

(See attached)

MOTION carried 6-0.

Budget Transfer

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to approve the attached Budget Transfer.

(See attached)

MOTION carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Members of the community were given the opportunity to address the Board of Education on any item. Commentary began at 8:55 p.m. and ended at 9:13 p.m.

CLOSING REMARKS

Mrs. Brown thanked the Jefferson PTA for their very generous donation to be used for the purchase of a SmartBoard for Jefferson Primary.

Mr. Spector commented that we should move forward together after thoughtful discussion, making the best interest of our kids our paramount concern.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Brown to go into Executive Session to discuss Avalon Bay presentation follow-up and the Thompson letter.

The Board of Education went into Executive session at 9:16 p.m.
MOTION carried 6-0.

At 10:15 p.m. Mrs. Rogan reconvened the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Hebert to adjourn the meeting.

At 10:16 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa
District Clerk