

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

May 11, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, May 11, 2009 at Jack Abrams Intermediate School, Lowndes Avenue, Huntington Station, New York. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

There were present Board of Education Members: Dwyer, Rogan, Benè, Black, Brown, McGrath, Paci; Ms. Aloe and Mr. Sheahan; Superintendent Finello, Mr. Grackin, Dr. Giani, Dr. Lacey, and Mrs. Troffa.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Benè to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations.

MOTION carried.

At 6:40 p.m. the Board of Education went into Executive Session.

At 8:10 p.m. Mr. Dwyer reconvened the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Dwyer led the Board of Education and the others present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

Mr. Dwyer discussed the exits to be used in the event of any emergency.

SMOKE-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. Dwyer announced that the Huntington Union Free School District is a smoke-free district and smoking is prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds. Mr. Dwyer also requested that all cell phones be turned off or set to vibrate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting of April 20, 2009.

MOTION carried.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Black to approve the Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2009.

MOTION carried.

The following reports were presented For Information Only:

- Revenue Status Report as of March 31, 2009
- Expenditure Reports as of April 30, 2009
 - a. General Fund
 - b. School Lunch
 - c. Special Aid Fund
- Extra Curricular Quarterly Reports

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Benè to approve the following Warrants:

APRIL WARRANTS	
GENERAL ADVANCED WARRANT	\$6,740,583.37
GENERAL FUND WARRANT 4/08/09	\$339,813.41
GENERAL FUND WARRANT 4/24/09	\$2,523,677.55
SCHOOL LUNCH ADVANCED WARRANT	\$63,656.02
SCHOOL LUNCH WARRANT 4/08/09	\$44.20
SCHOOL LUNCH WARRANT 4/24/09	\$70,330.12
SPECIAL AID ADVANCED WARRANT	\$535,316.23
SPECIAL AID WARRANT 4/08/09	\$56,000.34
SPECIAL AID WARRANT 4/24/09	\$7,562.15
WORKERS COMP WARRANT 4/03/09	\$13,637.62
WORKERS COMP WARRANT 4/17/09	\$14,365.60
CAPITAL EXCEL WAR 4/08/09	\$4,750.00
CAPITAL EXCEL WAR 4/24/09	\$106,921.89
NEW RENOVATIONS WARRANT 4/08/09	\$35,878.85
NEW RENOVATIONS WARRANT 4/24/09	\$14,458.00
T & A WARRANT APRIL	\$5,942,485.61
TOTALS	\$16,469,480.96

MOTION carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Finello met Mr. Petrone at Huntington High School where they took possession of the donated Town of Huntington vehicle.

Mrs. Brown attended two PTA fundraisers, one was the Spring Social hosted by Woodhull, Jefferson and Southdown on April 29, 2009. The fashion show was put on by students in the high school Fashion 1 and Fashion 2 courses. She remarked how spectacular the creations were.

Mrs. Brown also attended a PTA sponsored hockey game on May 1, 2009 between Finley and Huntington High School teachers and administrators. It was very enjoyable. Mrs. Bené also attended the hockey game and thanked the teachers and all those involved.

Mrs. Bené also attended the Spring Concert at Huntington High School. She thanked the teachers for their enthusiasm and congratulated the students on the fine performances by the Wind Ensemble, the Jazz Chamber Choir and the High School Jazz Ensemble. Mrs. Bené was very impressed with the high level of performance and how professional they sounded. She thanked the teachers for their hard work and enthusiasm which benefits our children.

Mrs. Bené also attended the Distinguished Senior Awards dinner sponsored by the PTA. She thanked the PTA for sponsoring the event. The top percentage of seniors recognizes a teacher from every building. The students do a great job of introducing the teachers and the teachers are always so happy to receive these awards.

Mrs. Rogan attended New York State Schools Music Association (NYSSMA) festival at the high school. The children sing or play an instrument before a judge and their performance is evaluated. Our students participated in the running of the event. Mrs. Rogan commented on how courteous, professional, and respectful they were and how pleased she was.

BUDGET HEARING 2009 and PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Mr. Dwyer indicated that since tonight's meeting is also a Budget Hearing, the Budget Hearing and Public Commentary portions of the meeting would be combined. Mr. Dwyer reminded the public that on April 20, 2009 the Board of Education adopted a budget so as part of the hearing process we invite anyone who would like to comment regarding the budget.

A resident commented that she appreciated the hard work and effort of the Board in developing the budget but saw areas of inconsistency in the budget that she would like addressed in the future. She also had comments regarding the Public Commentary portion of the board meeting. She also asked the Board to review our Transportation situation and had comments regarding the sports program. She also thanked Mr. Grackin

publicly for all his efforts in putting forth this budget. She commented that his preparedness and details were very beneficial.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

Board of Education Student Recognition

Mrs. Rogan opened a discussion regarding how the Board of Education can recognize individual students for their accomplishments outside of the confines of their school. She and Mrs. Bené met with Mr. Finello and decided to come back to the full Board for discussion as to how this can be done. One of suggestions was at the beginning of a Board meeting to set some time aside for this recognition. Mrs. Black also had suggestions and discussion followed.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Rogan 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		
27570	25094	27572
27225	24503	24419
27576	23831	27598
25136	22011	27599
27575	27469	
27587	27289	
24960	24772	
24348	23145	
23663	24882	
	21899	

CSE – Annual Reviews				
25000	27576	24771	23454	23861
24842	25136	22877	21099	24892
24578	27575	22410	27456	24989
24601	27587	25111	25009	800010115
27395	24960	27492	23266	27200
25060	23412	23870	21817	21744
24584	22874	23198	24009	
27368	23735	22456	23192	
24456	27474	22362	27255	
24869	27274	22134	24985	

27484	24746	27256	21766	
24511	27377	22371	24387	
24922	24806	25169	27325	
24613	23438	25062	23309	
27352	22878	24495	21899	
27324	25161	22430	22435	
25014	24704	24716	22212	
24482	22478	22267	21365	
24635	23663	21872	21510	
25010	23760	21219	21329	
27284	23676	27319	27287	
27403	27258	21189	23395	
24059	24949	21571	27180	
27318	24139	20220	27445	
	23761	21520	23057	
	23458	22011	21549	
			23161	

CPSE – Annual Reviews							
27481	27379	27427	27401	25069	27237	27382	27429
25084	27327	27451	27302	27418	27363	27222	27480
25167	27359	27501	27356	27310	27344	25042	27383
27220	25156	27189	27448	27355	25012	27405	27277

MOTION carried.

Approval of CSE Minutes

Mrs. Rogan exercised her power to approve CSE and CPSE minutes outside of the time frame of a regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. Mrs. Rogan authorized administration to arrange for the provision of an appropriate special education program and services for the students as enumerated in the CSE minutes listed below.

- ID# 21365 Approved on 4/22/09
- ID# 27441 Approved on 4/23/09
- ID# 22825 Approved on 5/5/09

PERSONNEL

On the recommendation of the Superintendent a MOTION was made Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the following changes in personnel:

H. 1 Approve Resignations / Leaves of Absence / Retirement

Resignations					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Reason
1.1	ATH	Alan Kupferman	HS-Science	6/30/09	Personal
1.2	ATH	Yvonne Romeu-Shapiro	WA-DL	6/30/09	Personal
1.3	ATH	Darlene Graham	WH-Music	6/30/09	Personal
1.4	ATH	Sarah Valente	JA-Sp. Ed.	6/30/09	Personal
1.5	ATH	Rebecca Arlin	HS-Sp.Ed.Chair	6/30/09	Personal
1.6	ATH	Julieta Hannaford	JA-ESL	6/30/09	Personal
1.7	ATH	Victoria Jimenez	MS-FL	6/30/09	Personal
1.8	ATH	Jennifer Schnitzer	HS-SS	6/30/09	Personal
1.9	FSW	Marie Nardelli	WH	5/8/09	Family
Leave of Absence					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Reason
1.10	ATH	Christyn Roseto	WH-Sp.Ed	5/26/09-6/30/09	Child Care
1.11	ATH	Jennifer DiMattei	MS-English	4/14/09-5/1/09	Child Care
1.12	ATH	Lauren Friedrich	JA	4/28/09-6/30/09	Child Care
Return from Leave of Absence					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Reason
1.13	ATH	Colleen Mahoney	JA	4/27/09	End Child Care
Retirement					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Award
1.14	ATH	Jill DeTrano	FH	6/30/09	Not to exceed \$42,500.00
1.15	ATH	Arlene Morante	JA	6/30/09	Not to exceed \$42,500.00
1.16	ATH	Andrea Frisenda	WH	6/30/09	Not to exceed \$42,500.00
1.17	ATH	Steven Finch	HS	6/30/09	Not to exceed \$42,500.00
1.18	NC	Joseph Colosa Sr.	Courier/Driver	6/30/09	N/A

H. 2 Approve Non-Instructional New Hires

Full-Time						
No	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Salary	Replacing
2.1	FSW	Sandra Reese	WH	5/12/09	\$10.10	Marie Nardelli

H. 3 Approve Extra Duty Assignments

Inter-Scholastic Athletics					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Stipend
3.1	ATH	Krista Kozlosky	Boys Volleyball/MS Coach	2008-2009	\$3399.00
3.2	ATH	Kimberly Gilroy	Varsity Girls Basketball/Winter Post Season	2008-2009	\$1914.00 15 days @ 127.60
3.3	ATH	Debra Cheskes	Girls Track & Field/Winter Post Season	2008-2009	\$638.00 5 days @ 127.60
Other					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.4	ATH	Caterina Cain	Cafeteria Supervision	2008-2009	\$28.73/hr

H. 4 Approve Additional Work

Election Personnel – Budget Vote					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
4.1	CU	Frann Weinstein	Clerk	5/19/09	\$22.23/hr
Home Tutor					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
4.2	N/A	Melinda Geis	Home Tutor	5/12/09-6/30/09	\$47.07/hr
Supervision					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
4.3	N/A	Joshua Baravarian	Supervision	2008-2009	\$30.47/hr
4.4	N/A	Travis Tate	Supervision	2008-2009	\$30.47/hr
4.5	N/A	David Wilson	Supervision	2008-2009	\$30.47/hr
Special Education Summer Staffing Funded through Special Education Grant					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
4.6	DSPA	Nancy Wilson	Assistant Director	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 10 days	\$6,372. 10 days @ 637.19
4.7	HCA	Linda Costello-Roth	Chairperson 4-8	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 25 days	\$13,992. 25 days @ 559.67
4.8	HCA	Kaaren Palumbo	Chairperson K-3	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 30 days	\$14,800. 30 days @ 493.34
4.9	ATH	Kathleen McCourt	HS-Coordinator	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 25 days	\$9,858. 25 days @ 394.32
4.10	ATH	Mary Bly	Reading	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 10 days	\$5,555. 10 days @ 555.48
4.11	HCA	TBD	Chairperson 9-age 21	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 10 days	\$4,466. 10 days @ 446.57
4.12	ATH	TBD	School Psychologist	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 25 days	\$13,191. 25 days @ 527.65
4.13	ATH	TBD	Social Worker	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 25 days	\$13,040. 25 days @ 521.58
4.14	ATH	TBD	Speech Therapist	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 22 days	\$12,221. 22 days @ 555.48
4.15	ATH	TBD	Gen. Ed. Teacher	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 150 hours	\$7,061. \$47.07/hr
4.16	ATH	TBD	Sp. Ed. Teacher	Summer 2009 Not to exceed 150 hours	\$7,061. \$47.07/hr

H. 5 Approve Excess of Staff

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date
5.1	ATH	Kristin Kopf	FH	6/30/09
5.2	ATH	Alan Kuver	HS/MS-Technology	6/30/09
5.3	ATH	Julie Wright	MS-Art	6/30/09
5.4	AMA	Doreatha Pearl Bailey	HS – Special Ed	6/30/09
5.5	AMA	Annie Bastien	SD – 3 hr. Kindergarten	6/30/09
5.6	AMA	Lorraine Corbly	WH – Special Ed	6/30/09
5.7	AMA	Anna Bella Harris	JA – Special Ed	6/30/09
5.8	AMA	Karen Lamonica	WA – Special Ed	6/30/09
5.9	AMA	Andrea Myssiorek	HS – Special Ed	6/30/09

5.10	AMA	Peggie Primm	WA – Special Ed	6/30/09
5.11	AMA	Susan Schedler	WA – Special Ed	6/30/09

H. 6 Approve Termination

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date
6.1	AMA	Elizabeth Meoli	MS-TA	6/26/09

H. 7 Approve Changes/Adjustments in Assignment

No.	Name	Assignment	From:	To:	Effective Date
7.1	Elizabeth Meoli	MS	Teacher Assistant \$22.49/hr	Teacher Aide \$21.49/hr	9/1/09

H. 8 Approve Substitutes

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
8.1	SEC	Steven Muller	Security	2008-2009	\$11.45/hr
8.2	B&G	Patrick Wright	Custodian	2008-2009	\$10.50/hr
8.3	ATH	Marybeth Rothberg	Teacher	2008-2009	\$90./day
8.4	ATH	Leigh Farrell	Teacher	2008-2009	\$90./day
8.5	ATH	Andrew Brosoff	Teacher	2008-2009	\$90./day
8.6	B&G	Jeffrey Barone	Custodian	2008-2009	\$10.50/hr
8.7	AMA	Jennifer Reda	Aide	2008-2009	\$8.75/hr
8.8	ATH	Marissa Hubbard	Teacher	2008-2009	\$90./day
8.9	ATH	Jennifer Reda	Teacher	2008-2009	\$90./day
8.10	ATH	Kathryn Sequino	Teacher	2008-2009	\$90./day

MOTION carried.

LEGEND

Schools/Buildings

- HS = Huntington High School
- MS = Finley Middle School
- JA = Jack Abrams Intermediate
- WH = Woodhull Intermediate
- FH = Flower Hill Primary
- SD = Southdown Primary
- JE = Jefferson Primary
- WA = Washington Primary
- DW = District-wide
- CO = Central Office
- NC = Non Contractual
- STU = Student Worker

Units

- ATH = Teachers
- AMA = Aides and Monitors
- DSPA = District Supervisors and Principals Assoc.
- HCA = Chairpersons
- SHHA = Study Hall and Hallway Assistants
- B & G = Buildings & Grounds
- FSW = Food Service Workers
- SEC = Security
- NUR = Nurses
- CU = Clerical

BUSINESS ITEMS

Approval of Contracts

Amy La Centra

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the contract for the period ending June 30, 2009.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Western Suffolk BOCES - Multi-Year Financing

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Multi-Year Financing with Western Suffolk BOCES.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Bid Awards

Educational Data Services, Inc.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the bid award with Educational Data Services.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Tax Anticipation Note Resolution

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Tax Anticipation Note Resolution.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Memoranda of Agreement

Custodial Unit

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Memorandum of Agreement.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Clerical Unit

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Memorandum of Agreement.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Associated Teachers of Huntington (ATH)

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Memorandum of Agreement.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Stipulation of Settlement

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Stipulation of Settlement.

(See Attached Confidential Schedule A)

MOTION carried.

Amendment of Policy #4421 (Non-Contractual Benefits Policy)

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Amendment to Policy #4421.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Donations

Orchestra Parents Association of Oompah

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to accept a donation in the amount of \$500.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Jefferson PTA

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,030.

MOTION carried

Disposal of Equipment

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the following list of equipment for disposal.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Bené and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION carried.

At 8:40 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa
District Clerk