

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

**May 10, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, May 10, 2010 at Jack Abrams Intermediate School, Lowndes Avenue, Huntington Station, New York. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

There were present Board of Education Members: Dwyer, Rogan, Benè, Black, Brown, McGrath, Paci; John Sheahan; Superintendent Finello, Mr. Grackin, Dr. Giani, Dr. Card and Mrs. Troffa. Mr. McGrath left the meeting at 7:20 p.m. and returned at 8:15 p.m. Mr. McGrath left the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Benè to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

MOTION carried.

At 7:55 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. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings of April 19 and April 27, 2010.

MOTION carried.

### **APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2010.

MOTION carried.

The following reports were presented For Information Only:

- Revenue Status Report as of March 31, 2010
- Expenditure Reports as of April 30, 2010
  - a. General Fund
  - b. School Lunch
  - c. Special Aid Fund

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Huntington Station Action Coalition Sub-Committee Chairpersons Meeting

Mr. Dwyer reported on a meeting on May 3, 2010 at Town Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to set deadlines for various items on the Town's agenda.

#### 2010 Inviting Schools Award Southdown Primary School

Mr. Finello congratulated Mrs. Marino, Principal of Southdown Primary School, along with her staff, parents and students for achieving the International Alliance for Invitational Education Award. The award will be presented to representatives from Southdown School at an Awards Ceremony in Columbus Ohio.

Mr. Paci made some clarifications regarding the three portables presented in the budget for Woodhull School. He discussed a long term solution rather than a short term fix. He also discussed an alternative high school and a career center. Mrs. Bené discussed Tri-CYA and how they serve our children. Discussion followed about a GED Program and Internship program with local businesses.

Mrs. Black indicated that she attended the English Honor Society Induction on April 27, 2010 and congratulated the inductees. Mrs. Black commented on a letter to the editor in a local newspaper regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center. She also expressed her opinion regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center. Discussion followed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

At the portion of the meeting set aside for public commentary there were numerous residents and parents commenting about the establishment of a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center and the manner in which it was voted on. A teacher in the district and several parents commented on the impact on the children of being on austerity and how long it would take for the district to recover from it. Residents in the area commented about safety in the neighborhood. Comments included wanting a long term solution to the space problem, and comments about the portables planned for Woodhull.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION**

2010-2011 School Calendar Revision

Mr. Finello indicated the changes that were made to the school calendar. It was a change in two contingency days due to test scheduling.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Bené and seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve the revised school calendar.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Sixth Grade Center Program Update

Dr. Card reviewed areas that he had researched in order to make the transition to a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center as smooth as possible for students. He reviewed curriculum and programs and discussion followed. Mr. Grackin updated the Board on the status of the portables for Woodhull. Dr. Giani discussed enrollment and the number of sections needed at Woodhull. Discussion continued regarding a long term solution to the space problems in the district.

A MOTION was made by Mr. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Paci to rescind the vote to make Jack Abrams Intermediate a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center and Woodhull a 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade school.

AYES: 3 Mrs. Black  
Mr. McGrath  
Mr. Paci

NOES: 4 Mrs. Bené  
Mrs. Brown  
Mr. Dwyer  
Mrs. Rogan

ABSTAIN: 0

MOTION was not carried.

Mr. McGrath left the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

**SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING**

Mr. Grackin reviewed the budget that was adopted at the April 19<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting including discussion about the contingency budget and the change in assessed value. Discussion followed.

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Bené and seconded by Mr. McGrath 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		CSE Annual Reviews				CPSE Annual Reviews	
24272	27707		24954	25167	23309		27641	27355
24620	27771		27335	27220	21899		27603	27674
21815	27788		24799	27186	22140		27640	27666
27572	27796		24427	27636	27662		27614	27363
23891	27803		24657	24990	22747		27671	27517
27572	27805		25086	27316	20599		27669	27580
21571	27779		24431	27284	27668		27380	27634
27255	27798		27195	27235	27413		27518	27591
27754	27802		24516	25105	27209		27418	27699
24615	27801		25033	24059	27287		27540	27612
27806	27649		27738	27553	27720			27647
	27631	27709		24601	27702		27386	
	24135	27613		24894	24746		27692	
	22133	27687		25090	25133		22164	
	27770	27799		25166	23412		27325	
	27790			24428	27587		27775	
	27781			27530	27177		24706	
	27789			27301	24248		27573	
	24347			24785	23906		27218	
				27226	24139		22395	
				27565	27550		24555	
				27368	23556		21510	
				24456	24038		21230	
				24787	24638		24572	
				24768	27372		20880	
				24808	20648		27458	
				27295	21644		24051	
				24879	21888		24847	
				24919	21766		23916	

			27317	24387	24618	
			27306	27492	22104	
			25107			

MOTION carried.

**PERSONNEL**

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

**I. 1 Approve Resignations / Leaves of Absence**

<b>Leave of Absence</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Reason
1.1	ATH	Kimberly Gilroy	SD/Sp. Ed.	2010-2011	Child Care
1.2	AMA	Monica McReynolds	MS/Sp. Ed.	3/22/10- approx.5/24/10	Medical
<b>Return from Leave of Absence</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Reason
1.3	ATH	Louise Sugrue	JE/Reading	9/1/2010	End Child Care
1.4	ATH	Carrie Postel	JA/Phys. Ed.	9/1/2010	End Child Care
<b>Retirement</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Award
1.5	ATH	Monica Rea	MS/H&C	Close of Business 6/30/10	Not to exceed \$3,000.00
1.6	AMA	Marva Maddox	JA/Aide	Close of Business 6/30/10	N/A
<b>Resignations</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Reason
1.7	SEC	Jeremy Pellot	JA/Guard	Close of Business 4/26/10	Relocating
1.8	FSW	Jean McIntosh	MS 5.5hrs.	Close of Business 4/20/10	Personal
1.9	AMA	Erin E. O’Leary	JA/TA	Close of Business 6/25/10	Personal
<b>Resignations</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Reason
1.10	ATH	Jennifer Giglio	HS/Special Ed	6/30/10	Personal
1.11	ATH	Terrence Judson	HS/Special Ed	6/30/10	Personal
1.12	ATH	Christopher Pellegrino	HS/Special Ed	6/30/10	Personal

**I. 2 Approve Long-Term Substitutes**

<b>Full-time</b>						
No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Salary	Replacing
2.1	ATH	Denise Novello	WA/Sp.Ed.	Approx	1-20 days/\$90.	Kathryn Joseph

				5/14/10-6/25/10	21-30 days/\$105. 31+days/\$281.07 Sch. V Step 1.5 \$56,215.	
2.2	ATH	Lisa Karasik	WA/Sp. Ed.	4/30/10-6/25/10	1-20 days/\$90. 21-30 days/\$105. 31+days/\$271.60 Sch. IV Step 1 \$54,320.	Jennifer Stuccio
2.3	ATH	Rui Correia	MS/Soc. St.	5/3/10-TBD	1-20 days/\$90. 21-30 days/\$105. 31+days/\$236.72 Sch. I Step 1 \$47,345.	Denise DeChiaro

**I. 3 Approve Additional Work**

<b>AP and Regents Review – Not to exceed 150 hours</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.1	ATH	TBD	Review Sessions	2009-2010	\$48.01/hr
<b>Regents Review/English – Up to 10 hours</b> Funded through Title I ELL Grant					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.2	ATH	Silvia Gilbert	English	2009-2010	\$48.01/hr
<b>Professional Development – Up to 8 hours</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.3	DSPA	Joan Fretz	Instructor	2009-2010	\$75.00/hr
<b>Safe and Drug Free Schools - HS &amp; MS</b> Funded by Title IV Safe and Drug Free Grant – Not to exceed a total of 136 hours <i>This item was previously approved for 106 hours</i>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
3.4	N/A	Elaine Gilmartin	Counselor	2009-2010	\$50.00/hr
3.5	N/A	Denise Fields	Counselor	2009-2010	\$50.00/hr
<b>Safe and Drug Free Schools - MS</b> Funded by Title IV Safe and Drug Free Grant - Not to exceed a total of 35 hours <i>This item was previously approved for 20 hours</i>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.6	ATH	Sharon Holly	Peer Mediation	2009-2010	\$48.01/hr
<b>Music - HS</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.7	ATH	Veronica Escamilla	Piano Accompanist	2009-2010	\$24.00/hr.
<b>Election Personnel – Budget Vote</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.8	CU	LoriAnne Brett	Clerk	5/18/10	\$25.48/hr
3.9	CU	Janet Lentini	Clerk	5/18/10	\$21.65/hr

<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Scoring</b>					
<b>Funded through the Title IIA Grant</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.10	ATH	Mark Helstrom	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.11	ATH	Paul Esposito	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.12	ATH	Jason Suarez	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.13	ATH	Heather Barfuss	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.14	ATH	Christopher Hender	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.15	ATH	Jaime Jerome	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.16	ATH	Cynthia Palmirotto	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.17	ATH	Patrice Monks	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.18	ATH	Nicole Parrett	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.19	ATH	Priya Mondkar	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.20	ATH	Angela Berner	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
3.21	ATH	Joanne Cicio	Teacher	2009-2010	\$200.00/day
<b>AP Proctoring – Up to 10 hours</b>					
No.	Unit	Name	Description	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
3.22	SHHA	TBD	Off Site Proctoring	2009-2010	Contractual Rate of Pay

**I. 4 Approve Excess of Staff**

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Date
4.1	ATH	Gene Acevedo	HS/Social Studies	6/30/10
4.2	ATH	Joan Anderson	MS/Foreign Language	6/30/10
4.3	ATH	Jessie Brennan	SD/Special Ed	6/30/10
4.4	ATH	Joan Castles	HS/Special Ed	6/30/10
4.5	ATH	Victoria Creighton	JA/Elementary	6/30/10
4.6	ATH	Marisa Damiano	JE/Elementary	6/30/10
4.7	ATH	Conrad Dierking	WH/Elementary	6/30/10
4.8	ATH	Vincenza Famiglietti Caruso	WH/Elementary	6/30/10
4.9	ATH	Robert Gruebel	WH/Elementary	6/30/10
4.10	ATH	Casey Horowitz	HS/Guidance Counselor	1/28/11
4.11	ATH	Kathryn Joseph	WA/Elementary	6/30/10
4.12	ATH	Kristin Kopf	FH/Elementary	6/30/10
4.13	ATH	Laura Lipow	WH/Elementary	6/30/10
4.14	ATH	Elizabeth Moran	WA/Elementary	6/30/10
4.15	ATH	Heather Spatafora	JA/Elementary	6/30/10
4.16	AMA	Doreatha Bailey	HS/Aide	6/30/10
4.17	AMA	Annie Bastien	SD/Aide	6/30/10
4.18	AMA	Karen Beirne	FH/Aide	6/30/10
4.19	AMA	Yvonne Dacosta	WA/Aide	6/30/10
4.20	AMA	Melissa Goldsborough	JA/Aide	6/30/10
4.21	AMA	Alison Moller	FH/Aide	6/30/10
4.22	AMA	Andrea Myssiorek	HS/Aide	6/30/10
4.23	AMA	Christopher Obi	MS/Aide	6/30/10

4.24	AMA	Angela Rogan	WA/Aide	6/30/10
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**I. 5 Approve Recall of Staff**

No	Unit	Name	Assignment	Certification	Effective Dates	Salary
5.1	SHHA	Maria Oliva	HS	Perm.Nursery K-6	9/1/10	\$20,960.00

**I. 6 Approve Substitutes**

No.	Unit	Name	Assignment	Effective Dates	Rate of Pay
6.1	ATH	Jennifer Fudens	Teacher	2009-2010	\$90./day
6.2	ATH	Heather Gebhardt	Teacher	2009-2010	\$90./day
6.3	ATH	Alan Hinkson	Teacher	2009-2010	\$90./day
6.4	ATH	Joshua Tenzer	Teacher	2009-2010	\$90./day
6.5	FSW	Claudia Conteras	Food Service	2009-2010	\$8.75/hr
6.6	CUS	Robert Carson	Custodian	2009-2010	\$10.50/hr
6.7	CUS	Timothy Gonyou	Custodian	2009-2010	\$10.50/hr

MOTION carried.

Buildings	Units
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 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**

Jericho U.F.S.D.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the contract with Jericho Union Free School District.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

Eden II/The Genesis Programs

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the contract with Eden II/The Genesis Program.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

Sheehan & Company



A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the contract for internal audit services for the year ending June 30, 2011.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

Odile Montel

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the contract for the 2009-2010 school year.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

Gloria Heidengren

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the contract for the 2009-2010 school year.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

**Approval of Memorandum of Agreement**

Associated Teachers of Huntington (ATH)

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

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

**Approval of Request for Proposal**

Nursing Services

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to award the Nursing Services Request for Proposal to the following vendors:

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>REGISTERED NURSE</b>	<b>LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE</b>	<b>CERTIFIED NURSES' AIDE</b>
Delta-T Group	\$ 416.00	\$ 336.00	\$176.00
Horizon Health Care	\$ 380.00	\$ 304.00	\$168.00
All Metro Health Care	\$ 376.00	\$ 336.00	\$168.00
Maxim Staffing Solutions	\$ 456.00	\$ 376.00	\$256.00

MOTION carried.

Universal Pre-Kindergarten Services

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to award the Universal Pre-Kindergarten Services Request for Proposal to the following vendors:

Family service League – 126 slots  
 DDI – 20 slots

MOTION carried.

Home Tutoring

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to award the Home Tutoring Request for Proposal to the following vendors:

Creative Tutoring                      \$40  
 Syosset Tutoring                      \$40  
 Islip Tutoring                          \$45  
 Top Grade Tutoring                    \$40/42

MOTION carried.

**Approval of Bid Awards**

Printing of District Calendar Bid

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to award the Printing of District Calendar Bid as listed below:

<b><u>VENDOR</u></b>	<b><u>2/2 PROCESS</u></b>	<b><u>4/2 PROCESS</u></b>
<b>Tobay Printing Company</b>	<b>\$ 6,131.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,398.00</b>
Emory Litho	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 7,920.00
Sir Speedy Printing	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
Lotus Events Inc.	\$ 9,837.00	\$ 10,155.00

MOTION carried.

Surplus Equipment and Textbooks

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the award of the Surplus Equipment and Textbooks Bid to the following vendors:

<b><u>VENDOR</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>ITEMS</u></b>
R. Marino	\$ 45.00	Miscellaneous equipment
Mid Island Salvage Corp.	\$ 80.37	Miscellaneous equipment

MOTION carried.

**Student Agenda Books Bid**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to award the Student Agenda Books Bid to the vendors listed below:

**KTS Agendas**

Woodhull	\$1,210
Finley	\$2,160
High School	\$2,940
Jack Abrams	\$1,168

<b><u>School Datebooks</u></b>	Southdown	\$390
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<b><u>School Mate</u></b>	Flower Hill	\$598
	Jefferson	\$598

MOTION carried.

**Disposal of Equipment**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to place the equipment listed below on our Surplus Bid List to be disposed of:

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Number</b>
EIKI , Eikivision Portable VHS Viewer, Model ev10	020078
Boxlight Projector	HUFSD tag 005681

MOTION carried.

**Acceptance of Donation**

**Kimberly Hardardt**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to accept a donation from Kimberly Hardardt, a parent and member of the Shared Decision Making Committee, of a JVC 32 inch color television to be used at the high school.

MOTION carried.

**Budget Transfers**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Bené to approve the budget transfers.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

At the portion of the meeting set aside for public commentary comments were made regarding safety and capacity at Woodhull, commentary about portables, the manner in which the decision to have a 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center was made by the Board, safety around Jack Abrams, commentary to look for a long term solution and gratitude to the Board for their hard work.

**CLOSING REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

Mr. Paci addressed the issue of the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center indicating there was an underlying safety issue. Mr. Dwyer expressed his confidence in Administration to administer an effective program, the need to bring the district together and a need to put together a long range plan.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

MOTION carried.

At 11:57 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa  
District Clerk