

Mount Pleasant Cottage School UFSD
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 18, 2023

1. Opening Items

1.1 Call to Order

The Board of Education meeting of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District was called to order by Mrs. Rita Golden, Board of Education President at 7:30 pm.

1.2 Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

Also Present: Mr. Beovich, Mr. Rubbo, Mr. Baier, Ms. Harris, Mr. Pompa, Mr. Jacoby, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Jacoby, Mr. Suarez, Ms. Sherlock

2. Announcement

2.1 Nominations for Board of Education Vacancy

Superintendent Beovich shared that Mr. Trevor John has been submitted as a nomination for a vacancy on the Board of Education.

3. Correspondence

3.1 Claims Audit Report

Mr. Rubbo shared with the Board Andrea Aitken's Claim's Report for claims paid by the District between February 1, 2023 and February 27, 2023.

4. Meeting Minutes

4.1 Approval of Minutes of the March 20, 2023 Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the March 20, 2023 Board of Education Meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Spieler

Second: Mr. Hucke

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

5. Superintendent's Report

5.1 Census Report

Mr. Rubbo shared the March Census Report with the Board.

5.2 Employee Introduction

Mr. Baier introduced Brenna Sherlock, Special Education teacher being presented to the Board for appointment this evening.

5.3 District Update

Principal Harris and Principal Assistant Principal Baier and Superintendent Beovich provided updates to the Board.

5.4 Advocacy Update

Superintendent Beovich provided the Board with an update on discussions with our legislators.

6. Business Matters

6.1 Approval of Business Matters Consent Items

With the consent of the Board, Mrs. Golden took items 6.2 through 6.14 under one motion.

6.2 Treasurer's Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account

The Treasurer's Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of February 1, 2023 through February 28, 2023 was accepted.

6.3 Check Runs

The check runs for the period of February 1, 2023 through February 28, 2023 were accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from: #57735 through #57778 in the amount of \$471,033.29.

6.4 Approval of Budget Transfers

The Board of Education approved the attached budget transfers for the 2022-2023 school year.

6.5 Nomination of Trustees of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services

The Board of Education of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School UFSD cast one vote for Sheryl Brady, one vote for Eileen Miller and one vote for Nilesh Jain to serve as trustees on the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services for the time period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

6.6 Approval of 2023-2024 SWBOCES Estimated Administrative Budget

The Board of Education approved the 2023-2024 estimated administrative budget for the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services in the amount of \$12,812,124.

6.7 Approval of Amendment to the Agreement with the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

The Superintendent of Schools and Board President were authorized to execute Addendum #3 to the Terms and Conditions of Employment of the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of the Amendment #3 is incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

6.8 Approval of Agreement with Monticello Central School District

The Board of Education approved an agreement for the provision of educational services to day students from Monticello Central School District during the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

6.9 Approval of OLAS Cross-Contract and Non-Disclosure Agreement

The Board of Education approved the Cross Contract with Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES for the On-Line Application System for Educators (OLAS) and the Board of Education approved the Mutual Nondisclosure Agreement with Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES for the 2023-2024 school year.

6.10 Approval of Contract Amendment with Southern Westchester BOCES

The Board of Education approved participation in CoSer 606 for Regional Certification Service with Southern Westchester BOCES in the amount of \$4,557 for the 2023-2024 school year.

6.11 Approval of Agreement with Industrial Appraisal Company

The Board of Education approved the Agreement from Industrial Appraisal Company to conduct an on-site inspection and appraisal of the buildings, site improvements (insurable and uninsurable), fixed equipment and movable equipment associated with the property locations listed in Addendum No. 1 of the agreement for a fee not to exceed \$4,855 and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the agreement.

6.12 Approval of Agreement with Management Advisory Group

The Board of Education approved an agreement with Management Advisory Group for Payroll Processing Services for a fee of \$27,295 annually or \$2,274.58 per month for the period of July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024.

6.13 Rescind Proof of Vaccination Requirement for New Hires

The Board of Education rescinded the requirement, approved by the Board of Education at the October 18, 2021 Board of Education meeting, that all new hires into coaching, pedagogical and non-pedagogical positions shall be subject to

proof of being fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

6.14 Resolution for Authorization with Westchester County Department of Health

The Board of Education of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, with offices at 1075 Broadway, PO Box 8, Pleasantville, New York 10570 hereby authorized Stephen Beovich, Superintendent of Schools to execute and deliver to the Westchester County Department of Health, for and on behalf of said School District, and application for a permit to operate a food truck, to execute and deliver any and all additional documents which may be appropriate or desirable in connection therewith.

Motion: Mrs. Irwin

Second: Mr. Carter

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Huckle, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

7. Personnel Matters

7.1 Approval of Personnel Matters Consent Items

With the consent of the Board, Mrs. Golden took items 7.2 through 7.6 under one motion.

7.2 Appointment of Teacher

The Board of Education approved the appointment of Brenna Sherlock to a four-year probationary term as a Special Education Teacher, effective April 19, 2023 in the tenure area of Special Education. In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said employee must receive at least three APPR ratings of effective or highly effective during the four-year probationary period and may not receive an ineffective rating in the final year of probation. Ms. Sherlock holds the following certifications: Students with Disabilities (All Grades), Initial Certificate and Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Initial Certificate. Ms. Sherlock's salary will be \$64,252 BA40-MA, Step 2.

7.3 Civil Service Appointments

The Board of Education approved the following appointments:

Name: Christopher Drummond

Position: Teacher Aide

Building: MPCS

Rate: \$20.00

Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks

Effective Date: March 20, 2023

Name: Tyrell Meads

Position: Teacher Aide

Building: MPCS

Rate: \$20.00

Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks

Effective Date: March 27, 2023

Name: Tyrone Coleman

Position: Teacher Aide

Building: Edenwald

Rate: \$20.00

Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks

Effective Date: March 27, 2023

Name: Victoria Thorpe

Position: Teacher Aide

Building: Edenwald

Rate: \$20.00

Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks

Effective Date: March 27, 2023

Name: Justin Christian

Position: Teacher Aide

Building: Edenwald

Rate: \$20.00

Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: March 27, 2023

Name: Amy Cardona
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.50
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: March 27, 2023

Name: Giovanni Randolph
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: March 28, 2023

Name: Lewis Rosario
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: March 30, 2023

Name: Helena White
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: April 11, 2023

Name: Denise Young
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: April 11, 2023

Name: LaShanda Egleton
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: April 11, 2023

7.4 Resignation

The Board of Education accepted the following resignations:

Darren Beram, Teacher Aide - Edenwald - effective date - revised to March 31, 2023 from March 23, 2023
Tiffany Thompson, Teacher Aide - Edenwald - effective date - March 29, 2023
Dallas Evans, Teacher Aide - MPCS - effective date - March 28, 2023

7.5 Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

The Board of Education accepted the resignation for the purpose of retirement from Lester Morgan, School Monitor - effective June 30, 2023.

7.6 Resignation of Administrator

The Board of Education accepted the resignation of Stephen Beovich, Superintendent of Schools effective February 1, 2024.

Motion: Mr. Johnson
Second: Dr. Naidich

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

8. Committee on Special Education

8.1 Approval of Special Education Committee Recommendations

The Board of Education approved the recommendations of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School District's Committee on Special Education as recommended and presented by the subcommittee.

Motion: Mr. Carter

Second: Mrs. Stein

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

9. Public Comment

9.1 Public Comment

Having heard none, Mrs. Golden moved on with the agenda.

10. Meeting Notification

10.1 Announcement of May Board of Education meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, May 15, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

11. Executive Session

11.1 Proposed Executive Session Subject to Board Approval

The Board of Education adjourned to Executive Session to discuss to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons and to discuss collective bargaining under the Taylor Law pertaining to the Teacher's Unit.

Motion: Mr. Hucke

Second: Mrs. Spieler

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

11.2 Reconvene to Public Session

The Board of Education reconvened to Public Session.

Motion: Mr. Johnson

Second: Mrs. Stein

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

12. Adjournment

12.1 Adjourn Meeting

The Board of Education adjourned the meeting at 9:10.

Motion: Mr. Hucke

Second: Dr. Naidich

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

Respectfully Submitted,

*Sheila Pappas
District Clerk*