

MOUNT PLEASANT COTTAGE SCHOOL UFSD
Draft Minutes of Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 28, 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 7:33 pm.

1.2 Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucce, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein (Mr. Johnson joined at 8:10 pm for executive session)
Also Present: Mr. Beovich, Mr. Rubbo, Ms. Leamon, Mr. Baier, Mr. Pompa, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Jacoby, Mr. Suarez, Mr. Henery, Mr. Zbikowski

2. Appointment of Board of Education Member

2.1 Board of Education Member Term Completion

The Board of Education ended the appointment of Richard Hucce as a Jewish Child Care Association appointed Board of Education member effective February 20, 2023.

Motion: Mr. Carter
Second: Dr. Naidich
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein
Mr. Hucce abstained from the vote

2.2 Appointment of Board of Education Member

The Board of Education of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District appointed Richard Hucce for a four (4) year term, effective 2/20/2023 through 2/19/2027 to begin his appointment by the Commissioner of Education as a public member of the Board of Education. (Oath of Office to be taken at a later date.)

Motion: Mrs. Spieler
Second: Mr. Carter
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein
Mr. Hucce abstained from the vote

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 November 30, 2022 and December 31, 2022 and October 28, 2022.

4. Meeting Minutes

4.1 Approval of Minutes of the January 19, 2023 Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the January 19, 2023 Board of Education Meeting.

Motion: Mr. Hucce
Second: Dr. Naidich
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucce, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

4.2 Approval of Minutes of the February 13, 2023 Special Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 Special Board of Education Meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Stein
Second: Mr. Carter
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucce, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

5. Superintendent's Report

5.1 Census Report

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

5.2 Review of 2023-2024 Proposed School Calendar

Superintendent Beovich reviewed the 2023-2024 Proposed School Calendar.

5.3 Proposed Board of Education Meeting Calendar 2023-2024

Superintendent Beovich reviewed the 2023-2024 Proposed Board of Education Meeting Calendar

5.4 Code of Conduct Revisions

Superintendent Beovich reviewed the proposed changes to the Code of Conduct. There were no additional questions from the Board.

5.5 Advocacy Update

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

6. Board Policies

6.1 Policy 6130 - Evaluation of Personnel (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy 6130 - Evaluation of Personnel

6.2 Policy 6550 - Leaves of Absence (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy 6550 - Leaves of Absence.

6.3 Policy 7512 - Student Physicals (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy 7512 - Student Physicals.

6.4 Policy 7670 - Due Process Complaints: Selection and Board Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officers (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy 7670 - Due Process Complaints: Selection and Board Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officers.

6.5 Policy 8450 - Home, Hospital, or Institutional Instruction (Homebound Instruction) (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy 8450 - Home, Hospital, or Institutional Instruction (Homebound Instruction).

6.6 Repeal of Policy 1120

The Board of Education repealed policy 1120 - Board of Education: Qualifications, Numbers and Terms of Office.

Motion: Mr. Carter

Second: Mr. Huckle

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

7. Business Matters

7.1 Approval of Business Matters Consent Items

With the consent of the Board, Mrs. Golden took items 7.2 through 7.18 under one motion.

7.2 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 December 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 was accepted.

7.3 Check Runs

The check runs for the period of December 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 were accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from: #57516 through #57667 in the amount of \$318,924.37.

7.4 Approval of Budget Transfers

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

7.5 Approval of Code of Conduct Revisions

The Board of Education approved the proposed changes to the Code of Conduct

7.6 Approval of Final Services Commitment from Erie 1 BOCES

The Board of Education approved the Final Services Commitment Form for services (policy and admin services) to be purchased in 2023-2024 from Erie 1 BOCES in the amount of \$3,700.

7.7 Approval of Proposal from LHRIC for Security CoSer

The Board of Education approved the proposal from LHRIC for participation in the Security CoSer for a fee not to exceed \$2,166 for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.

7.8 Approval of Statement of Work with LHRIC for ClassLink OneSync Onboarding

The Board of Education approved the Statement of Work from LHRIC for onboarding of the ClassLink OneSync application for a fee not to exceed \$3,020.

7.9 Approval of Proposal from LHRIC for Scoring of Exams

The Board of Education approved the proposal from LHRIC for full service scoring of constructed responses for ELA, Math, Science and NYSESLAT exams in the 2022-2023 school year for a fee not to exceed \$1,254.40.

7.10 Approval of Agreement with Team Bonding

The Board of Education approved the agreement with Team Bonding for a team building event on the Superintendent Conferences Day March 2023.

7.11 Approval of Reimbursement for Personal Property Damage

The Board of Education for Fiscal year 2022-2023, upon review of the claim, hereby settles this claim, in the amount of up to \$500 each, subject to the requirement that the claimant whose claim is settled sign a General Release as against the Mt. Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District, its officers, employees, agents and volunteers, prior to receipt of the reimbursement.

7.12 Motion to Participate in Southern Westchester BOCES Cooperative Bids

The Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Educational Services, Westchester County, New York adopting this in the joint bidding of:

- Art Supplies
- School & Office Supplies
- Fine Paper Supplies
- Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment
- Bakery Goods
- Cafeteria Food Supplies
- Custodial Supplies
- Custodial Paper Supplies
- Lumber Supplies
- Laser & Ink Jet Toners, OEM
- Microcomputer Hardware
- Furniture, Storage, and Athletic Equipment

This Resolution shall remain in effect until June 30, 2024, it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other participating school districts and Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said Commodities. The invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 to the General Municipal Law.

7.13 Approval of Proposal from Environmental Maintenance Contractors, Inc.

The Board of Education approved the proposal from Environmental Maintenance Contractors, Inc. for boiler insulation abatement and boiler demolition related to the boiler replacement at Mount Pleasant Cottage School for a fee not to exceed \$18,691.

7.14 Approval of Agreement with Haverstraw Stony Point Central School District

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

7.15 Approval of Articulation Agreements with SUNY Westchester Community College

The Board of Education approved the Articulation Agreements between Mount Pleasant Cottage School and SUNY Westchester Community College for the Culinary Skill CTE Program and the Early Childhood CTE Program and authorizes the Superintendent and School Principal or designee to execute the agreements.

7.16 Approval of Final Services Commitment form from Capital Region BOCES

The Board of Education approved the Final Services Commitment Form for services (Actuarial Services - GASB 75 and Actuarial Services - GASB 75 admin services) to be purchased in 2023-2024 from Capital Region BOCES in the amount of \$1256.10

7.17 Acceptance of Donation

The Board of Education accepted the donation of the following items from Marnie Gelfman:

- Sixteen cartons of model magic clay (Each carton contains 75 - 1oz individual size packets)
- Two Cartons - (144 individual containers) of Elmer's Glue
- One carton (80 packs) of 8 Crayola washable thick markers
- Three cartons of decorative crinkle cut craft paper

7.18 Approval of Mileage Reimbursement Rate

The Board of Education authorize that effective January 1, 2023 the mileage reimbursement rate for approved school use of non-school automobiles will be 65.5 cents.

Motion: Dr. Naidich

Second: Mrs. Stein

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

8. Personnel Matters

8.1 Approval of Personnel Matters Consent Items

With the consent of the Board, Mrs. Golden took items 8.2 through 8.7 under one motion.

8.2 Civil Service Appointments

The Board of Education approved the following appointments:

Name: Nicole Metzger
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.50
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: February 6, 2023

Name: Daniel Pabon
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: February 9, 2023

Name: Jarraya Hepburn
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: January 30, 2023

Name: Heath White
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: January 24, 2023

Name: Teneisha Warren
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: January 24, 2023

8.3 Resignation

The Board of Education accepted the following resignations:

- Raymond Pearson, Teacher Aide - Edenwald - effective date - January 20, 2023
- Andrea Houser, Teacher Aide - MPCS - effective date - January 19, 2023

- Rajine Thompson, Teacher Aide - MPCS - effective date - February 28, 2023
- Darnell Lovelace, Teacher Aide - Edenwald - effective date February 17, 2023
- Randi J. Nelson, Teacher Aide - MPCS - effective date February 17, 2023

8.4 Appointment of My Brothers Keeper (MBK) Mentors

The Board of Education approved the appointment of the following MBK Mentors:

- Gregory Bell with a \$1,500 stipend for tasks outside of the after-school program and compensation of \$40.00 per hour for tasks during the after-school program
- Marlon Green with a \$1,500 stipend for tasks outside of the after-school program and compensation of \$40.00 per hour for tasks during the after-school program

8.5 Appointment for Breakfast, Bus Duty and After School

The Board of Education approved the following school monitor appointment for Breakfast, Bus Duty and After School at a rate of \$40 per hour effective December 13, 2022 - June 30, 2023:

- Vanessa Bernard

8.6 Employee Termination

The Board of Education terminated the employment of Employee #1087, effective March 3, 2023 as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

8.7 Approval of Extra Duty Appointment

The Board of Education approved that work performed outside of the standard contracted hours by the Director of Family and Community Engagement and approved by the Superintendent will be compensated at a rate of \$50.00 per hour.

Motion: Mrs. Spieler

Second: Mr. Huckle

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

9. Committee on Special Education

9.1 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. Huckle, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

10. Public Comment

10.1 Public Comment

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

11. Meeting Notification

11.1 Announcement of March Board of Education meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

12. Executive Session

12.1 Proposed Executive Session Subject to Board Approval

The Board of Education adjourned to Executive Session 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: Dr. Naidich

Second: Mr. Carter

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

12.2 Reconvene to Public Session

The Board of Education reconvened to Public Session.

Motion: Mrs. Spieler
Second: Mr. Huckle
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Huckle, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

13. Adjournment

13.1 Adjourn Meeting

The Board of Education adjourned the Public Session at 9:09 pm.

Motion: Dr. Naidich
Second: Mrs. Stein
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Huckle, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

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