

MOUNT PLEASANT COTTAGE SCHOOL UFSD

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Monday, November 14, 2022

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 7:31 pm.

1.2 Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Huckle, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich (left the meeting at 8:15 pm), Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

Also present: Mr. Beovich, Mr. Baier, Ms. Leamon, Ms. Harris, Mr. Pompa, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Rubbo, Mr. Jacoby, Dr. Torres, Mr. Suarez, Ms. Bryson, Ms. Cosgrave, Ms. Panzanaro, Ms. Troccoli, Ms. Weitmann, Ms. Behzadi, Mr. Henery, Ms. Marcus, Mr. Zbikowski, Mr. Frantino

2. Executive Session

2.1 Proposed Executive Session

The Board of Education went into Executive Session to discuss matters made exempt by federal or state law.

Motion: Mr. Carter

Second: Mr. Huckle

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

2.2 Reconvene to Public Session

The Board of Education reconvene to Public Session.

Motion: Mrs. Stein

Second: Mrs. Irwin

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

3. Correspondence

3.1 Claims Audit Report

Mr. Rubbo shared with the Board Members Andrea Aitken's Claims Report for claims paid by the District between September 1, 2022 and September 30, 2022.

4. Meeting Minutes

4.1 Approval of Minutes of the October 17, 2022 Board of Education Meeting

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the October 17, 2022 Board of Education Meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Spieler

Second: Mrs. Irwin

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

5. Superintendent's Report

5.1 Census Report

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

5.2 ABA Therapist Presentation

Eric Frantino from The Institute for Children with Autism and Related Disorders provided an overview of how the ABA Therapist is working with our staff.

5.3 Reading Specialist Presentation

Ms. Troccoli and Ms. Behzadi provided an update to the Board on the goals, strategies and progress with the Reading Program.

6. Board Policies

6.1 Policy 5681 - School Safety Plans (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy #5681 - School Safety Plans.

6.2 Policy 6121 - Sexual Harassment in the Workplace (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy #6121 - Sexual Harassment in the Workplace.

6.3 Policy 6215 - Probation and Tenure (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy 6215 - Probation and Tenure.

6.4 Policy 7350 - Corporal Punishment/Emergency Interventions (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy #7350 - Corporal Punishment/Emergency Interventions.

6.5 Policy 7522 Concussion Management (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy #7522 - Concussion Management.

6.6 Policy 7618 - Use of Time Out Rooms (first reading)

The Board conducted a first reading of Policy #7618 - Use of Time Out Rooms.

7. Business Matters

7.1 Approval of Business Matters Consent Items

With the consent of the Board, Mrs. Golden took items 7.2 through 7.8 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 September 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022 was accepted.

7.3 Check Runs

The check runs for the period of September 1, 2022 through September 27, 2022 were accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

#57263 through #57384
in the amount of \$313,970.77

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 Agreement with LHRIC for Raptor Visitor Management System

The Board of Education approved the agreement with LHRIC (Lower Hudson Regional Information Center) for the Raptor Visitor Management Annual Access Fee Renewal for the period of 12/1/22 - 6/30/23 for a fee not to exceed \$1,030.

7.6 Approval of Agreement with the Corning-Painted Post Area School District

the Board of Education approved the agreement for the provision of educational services to day students of the Corning-Painted Post Area School District for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.7 Disposal of Assets

The Board of Education approved the disposal of the items on the attached list which have been deemed damaged, obsolete and/or beyond repair.

7.8 Approval of Reimbursement for Personal Property Damage

WHEREAS, as a result of the misconduct of a District student, several vehicles parked on School District property, in the parking lots on District property, were damaged; and
WHEREAS, two individuals have filed claims for the damage to their vehicles;
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education for Fiscal year 2022-2023, upon review of the claims, hereby settles these claims, in the amount of up to \$500 each, subject to the requirement that each of the claimants and non-bargaining unit members whose claims are 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.

Motion: Mr. Carter

Second: Mr. Johnson
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

8. Personnel Matters

8.1 Approval of Personnel Matters Consent Items

With the consent of the Board, Mrs. Golden took 8.2 through 8.11 under one motion.

8.2 Civil Service Appointments

The Board of Education approved the following appointments:

Name: Lashay Antonio
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00/hr.
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: 10/28/2022

Name: Angelica Maysonet
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00/hr.
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: 11/7/2022

Name: Danisha Diggs
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: MPCS
Rate: \$20.00/hr.
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: 10/28/2022

Name: Jonathan Rivera
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00/hr.
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: 11/9/2022

Name: Andre Smalls
Position: Teacher Aide
Building: Edenwald
Rate: \$20.00/hr.
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: 11/9/2022

Name: Blake Johnson
Position: Safety Monitor
Annual Salary: \$32,500 (pro-rated)
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: November 15, 2022

Name: Damar Slater
Position: Safety Monitor
Annual Salary: \$32,500 (pro-rated)
Probationary Period: 12 - 52 weeks
Effective Date: November 15, 2022

8.3 Civil Service Resignations

The Board of Education accepted the following resignations:

- Chanteau Williams Teacher Aide - MPCS Effective Date - November 4, 2022
- Jhalil Mason Teacher Aide - MPCS Effective - November 1, 2022
- Shakwana Washington Teacher Aide - MPCS Effective - November 4, 2022

8.4 Appointment of Administrative Intern

The Board of Education approved the appointment of Tonya Aho as an Administrative Intern during the 2022-2023 school year at no cost to the district.

8.5 Approval of Teacher Additional FTE

The Board of Education authorized an additional .09 FTE for Aida Fernandez a .54 ESL Teacher, with additional prorated salary of \$5,979.42 effective October 31, 2022.

8.6 Appointment of After School Personnel

The Board of Education approved the appointment of the following employees for Restorative Justice Script Writing at a rate of \$40.00 per hour effective November 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Blake Johnson
Jihan Bryan

The Board of Education approved the appointment of the following employee for After School Fitness Center Supervision at MPCS at a rate of \$40. per hour effective November 15, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Shawn Carter

8.7 Appointment of Basketball Coaches

The Board of Education approved the the following appointments for the 2022-2023 school year:

Trevor Everly - Co-Head Coach with an annual stipend of \$3,500

The Board of Education modified the appointment from the October 17, 2022 Board of Education appointing Gregory Bell as Head Basketball Coach to a Co-Head Coach position with an annual stipend \$1,750.

8.8 Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

The Board of Education accepted the resignation for the purpose of retirement for Lawrence Ford, School Monitor - effective November 30, 2022.

8.9 Approval of Stipend for Restorative Justice Facilitator

The Board of Education approved the following stipend for Restorative Justice Facilitator for the IAES Program for the 2022 - 2023 school year:

- Blake Johnson - \$5,000

8.10 Employee Termination

The Board of Education terminated the employment of Employee #1082, School Monitor, effective November 14, 2022 as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

8.11 Appointment for Breakfast, Bus Duty and After School

The Board of Education approved the following appointment for Breakfast, Bus Duty and After School at a rate of \$40 per hour effective November 15, 2022 through June 30, 2023:

- Blake Johnson - School Monitor
- Damar Slater - School Monitor

Motion: Mrs. Spieler

Second: Mr. Carter

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mrs. Golden, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, 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. Hucke, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, 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 December Board of Education meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 7:30 pm.

12. Executive Session

12.1 Proposed Executive Session

The Board of Education went into Executive Session to discuss legal matters and to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons.

Motion: Mr. Carter

Second: Mr. Huckle

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

12.2 Reconvene to Public Session

The Board of Education reconvened to Public Session at 9:30 pm.

Motion: Mrs. Irwin

Second: Mr. Huckle

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

13. Adjournment

13.1 Adjourn Meeting

The Board of Education adjourn the public session at 9:31 pm.

Motion: Mrs. Spieler

Second: Mrs. Stein

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Pappas
District Clerk