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Present: Board of Education Trustees: Carolee Brakewood, James Dreves, Anne Capeci and Robert Johnson

<u>Also Present</u>: Dr. Edward Kliszus, Superintendent of Schools, Maura McAward, Assistant Superintendent, Frank Fanelli, Assistant Superintendent, Caryn Furst District Clerk

Absent: Thomas Corbia, Board Trustee; Frank Sisca, School District Attorney (Sisca, Sisca and Associates)

PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS

Ms. Brakewood called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Brakewood thanked Frank Fanelli for his many years of service, as this was his last meeting before his retirement from the district where he served as Assistant Superintendent for Grants. She also pointed out that his appointment as director of the new pre-K program was on the Agenda.

Ms. Brakewood announced that Port Chester High School Graduation would take place on June 25. She and Dr. Kliszus recognized the following staff and students: Joseph Gilson, PCHS history teacher who received the Sister Maria Dolan Award from St. Thomas Aquinas College, Alexander Miller, PCHS science teacher, who received a 2-year leadership fellowship from WIPRO, Joyce Mannel, PCHS ESL teacher, who was featured in an article in Experience Life magazine.

Dr. Mitchell Combs awarded medals to six PCHS graduates who are candidates for an International Baccalaureate diploma: Sonya Chandy, Leslie Diaz. Salma Juarez, Emma Louise Manos, Marco Nieto, and Brooke Pietrafesa. He also recognized the teachers and guidance counselors who are involved with the IB program, as well as Juan Sanchez who has been leading the IB program. Dr. Kliszus commended Dr. Combs for his vision and leadership in bringing the IB Program to Port Chester.

Dr. Kliszus congratulated and presented certificates to Liam Herbert who received a Metropolitan High School Theater Award for Outstanding Performance and outstanding lobby display winners Josh Tenzer, Amy Simmons, Ruth Goldbers, and Patrick O'Connor and then recognized all of the cast and crew of the PCHS production of RENT. This was followed by a performance of two selections from the production, accompanied by Dr. Kliszus on the piano.

The meeting recessed for 5 minutes and was reconvened at 7:32pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Goldie Soloman of 6 Puritan Drive complimented Ms. Brakewood on conducting the Community Band at the Rye Brook birthday commemoration, as well as the Port Chester High School music programs. She reminded residents about the 4th of July celebration at Ryan Stadium.

Denise Quinn of 219 Newton Avenue announced that the Taste of Port Chester raised \$15,000 and thanked the community for supporting our local restaurants. She also thanked the restaurants that participated in the event as well as the members of the Tamarack Tower Foundation for their hard work.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the Minutes of the April 14, 2015 Board of Education meeting were approved by the Board.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the Minutes of the April 21. 2015 Board of Education meeting were approved by the Board.

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Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the Minutes of the May 5 2015 Annual Meeting, consisting of the Budget Vote and Board of Education Election, were approved by the Board.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the Minutes of the May 27 2015 Annual Meeting, consisting of the Budget Vote and Board of Education Election, were approved by the Board.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the Minutes of the June 16, 2015 Annual Meeting, consisting of the Budget Vote and Board of Education Election, were approved by the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the Treasurer's Report of March 2015 Board of Education meeting were approved by the Board.

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TREASURERS REPORT

3/31/2015

3/31/2013	GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
BOOK BALANCE BEGINNING OF MONTH	33,716,562.64	968,184.69	263,711.79	55,461.21	314,226.59	35,318,146.92
Receipts						
Revenues Interfund Transfers	11,093,884.20	791,085.22	122,060.93	2.42	25,343.07	
Sales Tax Receipts Accounts Receivable			77.31			
Reimbursement of Expense	431,108.81					
Total Receipts	11,524,993.01	791,085.22	122,138.24	2.42	25,343.07	12,463,561.96
Disbursements	_					
Warrant #25	1,243,320.91	25,344.32	1,816.05		1,900.00	
Warrant #26	919,190.85	37,111.26	102,544.32		5,464.50	
Warrant #27	1,925.58				5,464.50	
Sales Tax Payment			651.93			
Payroll 3/13/15	2,081,001.96	89,123.09	3,549.18			
Payroll 3/27/15 Interfund Transfers	2,097,859.33	89,356.41	3,805.33			
Total Disbursements	6,343,298.63	240,935.08	112,366.81	-	12,829.00	6,709,429.52
BOOK BALANCE END OF MONTH	38,898,257.02	1,518,334.83	273,483.22	55,463.63	326,740.66	41,072,279.36
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CASH - BANK BALANCES

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Chase Bank	0.100%		167,066.64	174,951.49	31,318.98	33,870.47	
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TD Bank	0.200%	276,587.33					
Hudson Valley Bank	0.052%	2,475.80					
Webster Bank	0.138%	910,283.82	439,949.53			2,259.70	
PC Credit Union	0.150%					151,037.42	
MBIA - C.L.A.S.S.	0.035%	10,667,813.62	911,318.66	98,531.73	24,144.65		
Scholarship Invest	various					139,573.07	
Signature Bank	0.350%	27,041,096.45					
TOTAL CASH - BANK BA	ALANCES	38,898,257.02	1,518,334.83	273,483.22	55,463.63	326,740.66	41,072,279.36
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Date

SUPERINTENDENT'S REQUEST FOR ACTION

Treasurer

The Superintendent then recommended action on items 1-40. Upon the motion of Mr. Johnson and a second by Mr. Dreves, the following actions were carried.

- 1. Bryant Romano, Stamford, Connecticut be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Assistant Principal, at Step 6 of the 2015-2016 Elementary School Assistant Principal Salary Schedule, effective pending release from his current position on or before August 23. Mr. Romano received a B.S. Degree from CUNY College of Staten Island and a M.S. from Touro College. Mr. Romano received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 22, 2015. His assignment will be at the John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. He replaces Judy Diaz who was appointed as Principal of John F. Kennedy School.
- 2. Alyssa Canonico, Chester, New York be approved for a two-year probationary appointment as Social Studies Teacher, at Step 7-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017. Ms. Canonico received a B.A. Degree from SUNY New Paltz and a M.S. Degree from Mercy College. Ms. Canonico received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 19, 2015. Her assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
- 3. Wendy Thomas, Stamford, Connecticut be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as English Teacher, at Step 1-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Ms. Thomas received a B.A. Degree from Queens College and a M.P.S. Degree from Manhattanville College. Ms. Thomas received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 19, 2015. Her assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Janice Milano.
- 4. Daniella Roman, Ardsley, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Science Teacher, at Step 1/2-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Ms. Roman received a B.S. Degree and a M.S. Degree from Iona College. Ms. Roman received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment September 13, 2013. Her assignment will be at

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the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.

- 5. Peter Bermudez, Bronx, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Special Education Teacher, at Step 4-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Mr. Bermudez received a B.S. Degree from Baruch College and a M.S. Degree from City College. Mr. Bermudez received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 9, 2015. His assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
- 6. Monika Vargova, Mamaroneck, New York be approved for a two-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 2/3-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. Ms. Vargova received a B.S. Degree and a M.A.T. Degree from Manhattanville College. Ms. Vargova received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment January 7, 2013. Her assignment will be at Edison School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly appointed position.
- 7. Marjorie Iglio, Bayside, New York be approved for a one-year leave replacement appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 3/4-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Mrs. Iglio received a B.S. Degree from Nyack College and a M.S. Degree from St. John's University. Mrs. Iglio received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment August 27, 2014. Her assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Chris Zidik who is on a one year leave of absence. Benefits will cease June 30, 2016.
- 8. Vincent Fiscella, Port Chester, New York be approved for a two-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 1/2-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017. Mr. Fiscella received a B.S. Degree from SUNY New Paltz Purchase and a M.S. Degree from Mercy College. Mr. Fiscella received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment March 10, 2009. His assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. He replaces Maria Genovese who has accepted another position in the District.
- 9. Nicolle Burke, Fishkill, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 2-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Ms. Burke received a B.S. Degree from The College of Saint Rose. Ms. Burke received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 19, 2015. Her assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Charles Fulco who resigned.
- 10. Sean Kennedy, Yonkers, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 6-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Mr. Kennedy received a B.A. Degree from the University of Notre Dame and a M.S. Degree from Fordham University. Mr. Kennedy received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 19, 2015. His assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
- 11. Heidi Marroquin, New Rochelle, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as School Social Worker, at Step 3-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Ms. Marroquin received a B.A. Degree and a M.S.W. Degree from Lehman College, SUNY. Ms. Marroquin NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 19, 2015. Her assignment will be at District-wide and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
- 12. Marla Crumpler, New York, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Mathematics Teacher, at Step 8-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Mrs. Crumpler received a B.S. Degree from SUNY Buffalo State and a Ed.M. from the University at Buffalo. Mrs. Crumpler received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment

- June 19, 2015. Her assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Carlos Gomez who resigned.
- 13. Kristen Aberasturi, East Meadow, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as Mathematics Teacher, at Step 1-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Ms. Aberasturi received a B.A. Degree from Iona College. Ms. Aberasturi received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 2, 2015. Her assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
- 14. Aleksandra Orlovskaya, Harriman, New York be approved for a three-year probationary appointment as English Teacher, at Step 4-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018. Ms. Orlovskaya received a B.A. Degree and a M.A. Degree from CUNY Brooklyln College. Mrs. Orlovskaya received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 28, 2015. Her assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces A. J. Cloherty who resigned.
- 15. Cynthia Ponce be approved for a change in assignment from Special Education Teacher, John F. Kennedy School to CSE/CPSE Chairperson, District-wide effective September 1, 2015. She replaces Bertha Cruz who returned to John F. Kennedy School as a full time School Psychologist.
- 16. Maria Genovese be approved for a change in assignment from John F. Kennedy School to Park Avenue School effective September 1, 2015. She replaces Jessy Granados who resigned.
- 17. Frank Fanelli be approved as the Pre-K Program Administrator. He will be paid \$108,000 for a 12 month position, 10 days per month. There will be no benefits associated with this position, which is grant funded.
- 18. The following individual(s) be appointed to position(s) for the 2014-2015 school year:

Max Guido IB Essay Tutor – High School \$42 per hour Marcia Manzueta Breakfast Program Substitute Monitor – Edison School 23 per hour

The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2015 summer program:

Diana Inga	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School \$42 per hour
Megan Cappiello	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Kate Albero	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Enrique Tovar	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Stefanie Cruz	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Linnea Fargo	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Heather Rinello	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Elizabeth Curley	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Michelle Capparelli	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Clara Barreto	Summer School Program Substitute Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Richard Gregory	Summer School Program Substitute Teacher – John F. Kennedy School 42 per hour
Jeannie lantorno	Summer School Program Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Brenda Burke	Summer School Program Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Aaron Warren	Summer School Program Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Michael Watson	Summer School Program Transitional Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Rosemary DeGeorge	Summer School Program Transitional Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Felicia Knox	Summer School Substitute Transitional Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Juanita Mitchell	Summer School Program Transitional Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Stephanie Figliomeni	Summer School Program Transitional Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Christina DelPilar	Summer School Program Transitional Teacher – Middle School 42 per hour
Mirjana Lezaja	Summer School Program Teacher – Edison School 42 per hour
Maria Flores	Summer School Program Teacher – Edison School 42 per hour
Colleen Cahill	Summer School Program Teacher – Edison School 42 per hour

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Michelle Bartosch	Summer School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Stefany Buchi	Summer School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Jenna Burdick	Summer School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Jane Kowaleski	Summer School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Lori Huhne	Summer School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Laurie Glockenberg	Summer School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Karen Provenzano	Summer School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Michelle Santucci	Summer School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Elizabeth Florencio	Summer School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Rita dePozsgay	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Azucena Gonzalez	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Jenny Maldonado	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Enrique Tovar	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Luz Camacho	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Stephanie Pagnotta	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Veronica Sanguino	Summer School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Maria O'Brien	Summer School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Vanessa Sanchez	Summer School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Vincent Fiumara	Summer School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Lester Ramirez	Summer School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Randye Jacobs	Summer School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Elsy Gonzalez	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Jenny Maldonado	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Claudia Hyland	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Jane Kowaleski	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Claudia Levy	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Laurie Glockenberg	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Erika Del Re	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Marcia Manzueta	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Ana Amador	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Marjorie Iglio	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Christine Rascona	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Monica Barreto	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Mayra Estrella	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Heather Resnick	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Cristina Alampi	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Cindy Casterella	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Michelle Capparelli	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Yvette Vera-Pignato	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Clara Barreto	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Lianet Lopez	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Beth Curley	Kindergarten Screening Team Participant – District	42 per hour
Chezdis Sanchez	Summer Stunt and Safety Clinics Instructor	42 per hour
Karen Provenzano	CSE/CPSE Summer Meetings Teacher – District	42 per hour
Patricia Johnson	CSE/CPSE Summer Meetings Teacher – District	42 per hour
Laurie Glockenberg	CSE/CPSE Summer Meetings Teacher – District	42 per hour
Lori Huhne	CSE/CPSE Summer Meetings Teacher – District	42 per hour
Angela Flamio	Special Education Summer Tutor – District	42 per hour
Laurie Glockenberg	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour
Karen Provenzano	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour
Diana Pennino	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour
Michelle Capparelli	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour
Cindy Casterella	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour
Tina Truini	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour

Heather Rinello	K-2 CKLA DOMAINS Team – District	42 per hour
Jennifer Curti	ELA Teacher Leader Curriculum Adaptation Team - District	42 per hour
Aletta Eliseo	ELA Teacher Leader Curriculum Adaptation Team - District	42 per hour
Tana Gullotta	ELA Teacher Leader Curriculum Adaptation Team - District	42 per hour
Megan Cappiello	ELA Teacher Leader Curriculum Adaptation Team - District	42 per hour
Axa Quijada	ELA Teacher Leader Curriculum Adaptation Team - District	42 per hour

20. The following individual(s) be appointed to position(s) for the 2015-2016 school year:

Aimie Sarkodie-Mensah David Sheridan Kathy Federici Jackie Bisignano Karla Purcell Kate Albero Frank Carlson Paul Santavicca Corey Crane Craig Holcomb Kevin Clark Frank Carlson Sara Morabito Joseph Facciola Nick Mancuso Gareth Gibbs Dan Alvarado Robert Wynn Thomas Josephson Peter Bisceglia Melissa Piccola	Physical Education Teacher – Athletic Trainer Physical Education Teacher – Athletic Trainer CPR/AED/First Aid Courses Teacher – District CPR/AED/First Aid Courses Teacher – District Garden Coach – John F. Kennedy School Garden Coach – John F. Kennedy School Summer Strength and Conditioning Co-Supervisor Summer Strength and Conditioning Co-Supervisor Fall Season Athletic Coordinator Head Coach Boys Varsity Basketball (Boys) Head Coach Varsity Swim Team (Boys) Head Coach Modified Football Head Coach Girls Modified Basketball Assistant Coach Varsity Wrestling Varsity Boys/Girls Winter Track & Field Head Coach Varsity Boys/Girls Winter Track & Field Assistant Coach Head Coach Junior Varsity Wrestling Head Coach Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Modified Wrestling Head Coach Head Coach Boys Modified Basketball Head Coach Varsity Bowling	\$42 per hour 42 per hour 42 per hour 42 per hour 42 per hour 42 per hour 1,600 1,600 4,000 6,375 3,100 4,251 3,253 2,383 4,750 3,128 4,124 4,124 3,253 3,253 3,499
Peter Bisceglia	Head Coach Boys Modified Basketball	3,253
	Head Coach Varsity Bowling	
Greg Domestico	Head Coach Cide Ing	5,751
Jesse Fernandez	Head Coach Girls Junior Varsity Basketball	3,253
Paula Sarles	G. O. Fund Treasurer – High School	2,269
Anthony Piccolino	G. O. Fund Treasurer – Middle School	2,269

21. The following individuals be appointed Athletic Event Supervisors for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$50 per school event and/or \$25 per hour for Tournaments, providing the individual is not a member of the coaching staff for the particular event:

Renee Aubry	John Cafaldo	Dan Davis	Joseph DeProssino
Daphne Foust	Gil Gordon	Kurt Best	Lawrence Hollinger
Joseph Facciola	Marcie DeCarlo	Melinda Kettler	Laurie MacAllister
Sandra Ordonez	Aimie Sarkodie-Mensah	Mark Mood	Danny Alvarado
Mario DeLio	Michael Desharnais	Hank Birdsall	Gareth Gibbs
Nick Mancuso	Thomas Josephson	Sean Zemlyak	Jeanine Maiolini
Art Tiedemann	Mark Rivera	Amanda Blasi	Kevin Clark
Robert Stacker	Andres Salcedo		

22. The following individual(s) receive in-service credit, as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Location</u>
	<u>Semester</u>		

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John Cafaldo Coaching Soccer United States Sports Academy Spring '15 3 United States Sports Academy John Cafaldo Coaching Baseball 3 Spring '15 Teacher Apprentice Program 1 09-10 Year Antoinette DellaVecchia Port Chester Renee McCaine-Taylor **Broadway Works Foxwoods Theatre** Summer '14

23. The following individuals be approved as Cleaner Substitutes at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 unless otherwise noted. Said appointees may also serve as long-term substitutes, if and when required, at Step 1 of the Cleaner pay scales. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.

Dashaa Gordon (Effective 5/19/15-6/30/15)

24. The following individual be appointed to the 2015 summer programs as Substitute Teacher Aide, at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective July 1, 2015 – August 21, 2015:

John Michael Concha

25. The following individual be appointed to a position for the 2015 summer program at his contracted daily/hourly rate of pay or Step 1 if new hire:

Christian Cassone

Teacher Aide

\$18.29 per hour*

*Mr. Cassone will be replacing Sharlaine Holness who has since turned down the summer appointment.

26. The following individuals be approved as Teacher Aides on special assignment at Port Chester High School effective June 8, 2015 – June 26, 2015 at Step 1 of the Teacher Aide CSEA pay scales. Both have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.

Janet Bellantoni (June 9) Veronica Williams (June 8, June 10 & June 12) Yvette Solis (effective June 18, 2015 – June 30/2015)

27. The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2015 summer programs at their contracted daily/hourly rate of pay or Step 1 if new hire, effective July 1, 2015 – August 31, 2015.

Susan DePan - PCMS Special Education Program

PCMS Sports Physicals

Jeanette Spinelli - PCHS Sports Physicals

JFK Summer ELL Program

New Entrants Medical Records Screening District Wide Summer School Programs

- 28. Jeanette Spinelli, Mamaroneck, New York, be approved for an appointment to the position of Nurse on Special Assignment effective July 1, 2015 June 30, 2016. Mrs. Spinelli will receive a yearly stipend in the amount of \$3,300. Her assignment is district-wide.
- 29. Martha Andino, Yonkers, New York, be promoted to Probationary Sr. Office Assistant (Automated Systems) Spanish Speaking, (10 months, 7.5/hours Day), Step 6, effective July 1, 2015 from her current position of Permanent Typist Spanish Speaking. Mrs. Andino's assignment will be at the Port Chester Middle School.
- 30. Catherine Maggi, Port Chester, New York, be approved for an appointment to the position of District Clerk effective July 1, 2015 June 30, 2016. Mrs. Maggi will receive a yearly stipend in the amount of \$15,000 payable in equal installments throughout the school year. Her assignment is district-wide. This appointment will coincide with Mrs. Maggi's current position as Secretary to Superintendent of Schools.
- 31. John Swick, Port Chester, New York having performed his duties in a competent, efficient and satisfactory manner, be granted permanent status as Mail Messenger for the District effective July 1, 2015. In addition, Mr. Swick will receive an increase in his pay to \$11.00/hour which will also be effective July 1, 2015.

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- 32. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Kristy Fiscella, Port Chester, New York, as Special Education Teacher Aide at Edison School, beginning approximately September 29, 2015 through November 27, 2015. After Mrs. Fiscella uses her accumulated sick and personal days, the remainder of her Maternity Leave of Absence will be without pay during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self care. At the end of Mrs. Fiscella's Maternity Leave of Absence, a Leave of Absence without pay be granted through March 31, 2016.
- 33. Donna Sannicandro, Pound Ridge, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Sr. Office Assistant (Auto. Systems), (7.5 hours/day, 12 months), Step 1, effective July 6, 2015. Ms. Sannicandro received NYS Fingerprint Clearance on June 22, 2015. Her assignment will be Port Chester High School Guidance.
- 34. A change of status be granted to Donna Martin, Port Chester, New York from Permanent Secretary to School Principal (10 months 7.5 hours/day), Step 9, Park Avenue School, to Permanent Sr. Office Assistant (Auto. Systems) (12 months 7.5 hours/day), Step 7, effective July 1, 1025. Her assignment will be in Central Office.
- 35. John J. Guinta, Port Chester, New York be appointed as Attendance Officer for the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District at a rate of \$150/day, with a cap of 156 days and \$27,000/year, effective July 1, 2015 June 30, 2016.
- 36. Amend Item 28 of the May 27, 2015 Request for Action as follows:

Summer hours be granted for the following 10-month employees at their contracted daily/hourly rate of pay:

Martha Andino – Port Chester Middle School (not to exceed 10 days)

Margaret Morban - King Street School (20 days)*

Rosemary LaBella - Port Chester Middle School (not to exceed 10 days)

Barbara Lewensohn – Superintendent's Office (not to exceed 10 days)

Yvette Surita – Office of Special Education (not to exceed 20 days)

Christine Macri – Port Chester Middle School (not to exceed 20 days)

Donna Martin - Park Avenue School (20 days)*

Yasmin Orozco – JFK-ELC (not to exceed 20 days)

JoAnn Pace - JFK Upper Building (not to exceed 10 days)

Suey Pilke – Port Chester Middle School (not to exceed 10 days)

Michelle Ramirez - Edison School (not to exceed 20 days)*

Maria Torres - John F. Kennedy (not to exceed 20 days)*

*(These days are in addition to ten days required as per Article 15, Section 4 of the CSEA Agreement)

- 37. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$65,866.62 Schedule #13, dated June 18, 2015, be approved for the 2014-2015 school.
- 38. Warrants #33 and #34, including in-between checks, dated June 23, 2015, be approved:

 General Fund
 \$1,150,307.21

 Federal Fund
 33,582.96

 Cafeteria Fund
 840.49

 Trust & Agency Fund
 1,555,183.21

39. Warrant #35, including in-between checks, dated June 23, 2015, be approved:

 General Fund
 \$2,021,304.92

 Federal Fund
 81,885.31

 Cafeteria Fund
 178,322.65

 Trust & Agency Fund
 52,258.59

40. The following payrolls be approved:

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General Fund – June 5, 2015 General Fund – June 12, 2015 Federal Fund – June 5, 2015 Federal Fund – June 12, 2015 \$1,866,948.87 98,617.50 90,601.13 600.00

Ms. Brakewood called a short recess to allow teachers and students to exit the meeting if they desired. The meeting resumed at 8:00 pm.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, Resolutions A through P were approved by the Board.

A. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

WHEREAS, staff of the Port Chester Public Schools have distinguished themselves; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education endeavors to recognize publicly and honor its esteemed staff members for these successes; and,

WHEREAS, it is clear that the community is justifiably proud of these individuals; and

WHEREAS, these individuals present an exceptional and superior example for their colleagues, peers, and the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education expresses its sincere thanks, appreciation, and admiration for excellence;

AND NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education in meeting and assembled this twenty-third day of June, two thousand fifteen, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of its honorees.

- a) Joseph Gilson, Port Chester High School teacher of History: Recipient of the Sister Regina Rosaire Dolan Award of St. Thomas Aquinas College in recognition of having earned the distinction as a student with the highest academic achievement in the School of Education graduate program.
- b) Alex Miller, Port Chester High School teacher of Science: Awarded a two-year leadership Fellowship in the Greater New York Wipro Science Education Fellowship at Mercy College.
- c) Joyce Mannel, Port Chester High School teacher of English as a Second Language, in recognition of her story entitled 'Course Correction: Joyce I Mannel's Success Story.
- d) Six pioneering students who have completed all requirements for an International Baccalaureate Diploma

Sonya Chandy
Leslie Diaz
Salma Juarez
Emma Louise Manos
Marco Nieto
Brooke Pietrafesa

e) The Cast and Crew of the Port Chester High School production of RENT, winner of two Metropolitan High School Theater Awards, the first to Liam Herbert for Outstanding Acting Performance in his role as Mark

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Cohen, and the second to Josh Tenzer, Amy Simmons, Ruth Goldbers, and Patrick O'Connor for Outstanding Lobby Display. And to the entire cast:

CAST & CREW

Elizabeth Montemurro - Briana Velazquez - Charlie Simmons - Emmalie Tello - Robert Perrone - Jack Lambert - Liam Herbert - Jake Gleason - Emily Loiaconi - Alfred Di Leo - Samuel Brown - Simone Akins - Gisella McCallion Pedro Pucheta - Robert Mickatavage - Marie Jallow - Grace Simmons - Michelle Zapata - Diana Maldonado Taylor Masi - Jessica Ferretti - Tanasia LeBrew - Jessica Martinez - Ingrid Bautista - Julissa Hernandez – James Marro - John Montemurro - Benny Olonilua - Ayana Rivers - Lanasha Robinson - Wendy Rojoas - Leslie Salcedo Olivia Scenna - Madeline Strauch - Julie Tenefrencia - Daniela Urrutia - Sakina Zehra - Gabe Bodas Shaileen Bello - Jazmine Artega - Sheilly Aguilar - Alexandra Abrego - Jessenia Bonilla - Isadora Coutinho - Addie Cruz Xiomara Delahoz - Victor Evangelista

PRODUCTION

Josh Tenzer: Producer Joseph Fontana: Technical Director Devon James: Director and Choreographer Michael Mastroianni: Musical Director

B. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the Side Letter Agreement between the Board of Education and the Port Chester Teachers Association, added to Appendix A – Extra Pay-Extra Work, as follows:

PCHS Fitness Club	725
PCHS Debate Club	589
PCHS Environmental Club	589
PCHS Gardening Club	589
PCHS Science Research Club	589
PCHS Theology Club	589
PCHS National Art Honor Society	618
PCHS Asian-American/Ping-Pong Club	589
PCHS Career Cruisers Club	725
PCHS One World Youth Club	725
PCHS Lacrosse Club	725
PCHS Step Club	589
PCHS Habitat for Humanity Club	589
PCHS Tri-M Music Honor Society	618
PCHS Badminton Club	589
PCHS Anime Club	589

C. **WHEREAS**, the Port Chester - Rye UFSD ("District") maintains the Port Chester - Rye UFSD 403(b) Retirement Plan ("Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan was duly adopted on the 23rd day of June, 2015 by the District's Board of Education ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to amend the Plan to permit Roth 403(b) Contributions and the in-plan rollover of a Non-Roth Account to a Roth Account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that section 6.6 Roth 403(b) Contributions of the Plan is hereby amended to read as follows:

6.6 Roth 403(b) Contributions

ROTH contributions shall be allowed under the Plan. The rules of §1.401(k)–1(f)(1) and for designated Roth contributions under a qualified cash or deferred arrangement shall apply to designated Roth contributions under the Plan. Thus, a designated Roth contribution under the Plan is a section 403(b) elective deferral that is designated irrevocably by the Employee at the time of the cash or deferred election as a designated Roth contribution being made in lieu of all or a portion of the section 403(b) elective deferrals the Employee is otherwise eligible to make under the Plan. A designated Roth contribution shall be treated by the Employer as includible in the Employee's gross income at the time the Employee would have received the amount in cash if the Employee had not made the cash or deferred election (such as by treating the contributions as wages subject to applicable withholding requirements); The Plan will allocate Roth contributions to a separate Account which shall be maintained in accordance with Treasury Regulation §1.401(k)–1(f)(2). Gains, losses, and other credits and charges shall be separately allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis to each Participant's Roth contribution Account and the Participant's other Accounts under the Plan.

A designated Roth contribution under the Plan must satisfy the requirements applicable to section 403(b) elective deferrals under the Plan and the requirements of §1.403(b)–6(d). Similarly, a designated Roth account under the Plan is subject to the rules of Code sections 401(a)(9)(A) and (B) and §1.403(b)–6(e). Notwithstanding section 6.1 [the eligible rollover provision], a direct rollover of a distribution from a Roth Account under the Plan will only be made to another qualified Roth contribution program described in Code section 402A or a Roth IRA described in Code section 408A, the Plan will only accept a rollover contribution to a Roth Account if it is a direct rollover from another qualified contribution program described in Code section 402A, and the Plan will only make or accept a rollover if the rollover is permitted under the rules of Code section 402(c).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Plan shall include the following new section 6.7 Roth 403(b) Contributions;

6.7 In-plan rollover from a Non-Roth Account to a Roth Account

If the Adoption Agreement so specifies-OR-If the Plan includes a qualified Roth contribution program, a Participant, Beneficiary, or Alternate Payee may, consistent with IRC § 402A(c)(4), direct an in-Plan qualified rollover contribution into a Roth Account of an amount under a Non-Roth Account that, for a transfer before January 1, 2013, the Participant, Beneficiary, or Alternate Payee otherwise was entitled to receive as an Eligible Rollover Distribution, or for a transfer after December 31, 2012 is consistent with WHEREAS, per the General Municipal Law and the Port Chester-Rye Board of Education policy, an Invitation to Bid was published for the following services and all bids were tabulated and references checked.

D. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School district, shall award the following contracts:

Award To	Description	Amount	Basis for Award
Dynamic Event Group	Audio & Video Equipment Service	\$47.75 / hr.	Lowest Bid
Fred A. Cook, Jr, Inc	Drain Cleaning Services	\$124 / hr.	Lowest Bid
Capital Uniform Services	Dust Mop Rental Services	\$335.15	Lowest Bid
Acorn Electrical	Electrical Service & Materials	\$93.18	Lowest Bid
Geese Off!, Inc	Geese Control Services	\$77 / week	Lowest Bid

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Agrento & Sons, Inc	Landscape & Small Machinery Service & Repair	\$80 / hr	Lowest Bid
Joe Lombardo Plumbing & Heating of Rockland, Inc	Plumbing Services	\$89 / hr	Lowest Bid
Acocella Contracting, Inc	Blacktop, Sidewalk and Curb Replacement Services	Blacktop/SF \$8Sidewalk/SF \$15Curb/SF \$37.50	Lowest Bid
Tri Turf Inc	Athletic Field Turf Maintenance Service	\$44,000 / yr.	Lowest Bid
Vita Automotive	Vehicle Repair & Service	Various Amounts	Lowest Bid
LaBella Electric	Gymnasium Lighting Upgrade at PCMS	\$50,400	Lowest Bid
Always East Transportation Royal Coach Lines	Transportation of SPED and Private/Parochial Students to various routes for the 2015-2016 summer & regular school year	Various	Lowest Bid

E. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District, at its discretion and in the best interest of the District, elects to forgo the written quote and bid requirements for the following professional service procurements in keeping with Policy 6700R – Purchasing Regulation.

	Vendor	Service	Amount	Term	Funding
1	Sutherland Consulting	McKinney Vento Liaison (Increase)	\$2,000	2014-2015 school year	McKinney Vento (Homeless)

F. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District extend the below mentioned Buildings and Grounds contracts with 0% increase for the 2015-2016 school year with the same terms and prices as the 2014-2015 school year.

Vendor	Service	Price
Energy Management of Facilities	Andover Energy Management System	\$130/hr
DLB Backflow Prevention	Backflow Prevention	\$800/yr
Crown A/C Heat & Power Corp.	Boiler Cleaning & Maintenance	Various
Aqua-Vise	Boiler Water Chemical Treatment	\$469/month
Stratagem Security Inc.	DSR Service	Various

Warren & Panzer	Environmental Service	Various
Quality Glass Services, Inc.	Glass Replacement	Various
Crown A/C Heat & Power Corp.	HVAC Maintenance & Repair	Various
Parkway Pest Services	Pest Control	Various
Playground Medic	Playground Service	Various
Ramos & V Tree Service	Tree Service	Various
S & H Uniform Corporation	Uniform	Various

- G. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the terms of employment for Rosario Renda, Director of Facilities for the 2015-2016 school year.
- H. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the terms of employment for Coleen Kotzur, District Treasurer for the 2015-2016 school year.
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the employment agreement for Maura J. McAward, Assistant Superintendent for Business for the 2015-2016 school year.
- J. **RESOLVED**, that Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the tuition rates for the 2014-2015 school year:

Regular Instruction

K - 6 \$9,083 7 - 12 \$15,101

Special Education Students with Disabilities

K - 6 \$41,551 7 - 12 \$47,569 Consortium Schools \$24,000

K. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the following Transportation Contracts for the 2014-2015 school year as noted below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the number of children, buses, vans, monitors, or cost approved in each contract is subject to change in accordance with New York State Education Law and Commissioner's Regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contracts.

Allways East Transportation, Yonkers, NY	In an amount not to exceed \$2,900	
Transportation of Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District students as follows: one student to Four Winds Hospital, Katonah, New York.		

L. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following Summer Transportation Contracts for the 2015-2016 school year as noted below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contracts. The number of children, buses, vans, monitors, or cost approved in each contract is subject to change in accordance with New York State Education Law and Commissioner's Regulations.

Allways East	In an amount not to exceed \$77,643.70
Transportation Yonkers,	
NY	

Transportation of Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District students as follows: four students to Ardsley Union Free School District in an amount of \$2,691.20; four students to St. Matthews Church in an amount of \$3,277; five students and two monitors to The Clear View School in an amount of \$9,300; one student and one monitor to Eastchester Union Free School District in an amount of \$2,943.50; four students and one monitor to Mt. Pleasant Central, Mt. Pleasant Cottage in an amount of \$7,2 b75; one wheelchair student and one monitor to New Rochelle City School District in an amount of \$5,075; one student to Westchester Exceptional Children in an amount of \$4,650; three wheelchair/handicap students and one monitor to Cerebral Palsy of Westchester in an amount of \$3,465; one wheelchair student, five students and one monitor to SW BOCES Rye Lake Campus (White Plains) in an amount of \$4,872; one student and one monitor to Andrus School in an amount of \$4,740; two wheelchair students, one student and one monitor to PNW BOCES (Pinesbridge/Walden) in an amount of \$5,250; one student and one monitor to Mamaroneck /Rye Neck Schools in an amount of \$4,805; one student and one monitor to Village of Tarrytown Schools in an amount of \$8,265, and forty-five students and two monitors to Port Chester Middle School in an amount of \$11,035.

TLC Transportation	In an amount not to exceed \$5,359	
Yonkers, NY		

Transportation of Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District students as follows: two students and one monitor to New York School for the Deaf in an amount not to exceed \$5,359

M. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the attendance to the following conference as noted below:

Name	Conference	Date	Amount	Funded
Marjorie Iglio	The Spitz Summer Institute science workshop	July 21-24	\$1,000.25	General
Chanel Tillman	Fordham Univ. AP Summer Institute	July 6-10	\$1,016.50 (plus tax & tips)	General

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Maria Recchia	Summer Science	July 13 – 20	\$1,000	General
	Research Training	-	(plus applicable	
	Course		taxes & tips)	

N. **WHEREAS**, according to the New York State constitution, public education is the responsibility of state government, and the direct or indirect use of public funds to support non-public education involving a religious institution is strictly prohibited.

Whereas, public education is the cornerstone of democracy, the state has an obligation to invest in its public school system and ensure that every public school has the tools to provide an appropriate education for every child.

Whereas, New York State continues to underfund its public school districts, particularly districts serving students in poverty. The funding mandated by the NYS Court of Appeals in the Campaign for Fiscal Equity (CFE) lawsuit is still \$4 billion in deficit, while the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) monies are still \$400 million in arrears.

Whereas, this legislation would reduce state resources by \$150 million in the first year alone, state resources for education should be directed to public school districts, not diverted to non-public and parochial schools. Furthermore, the allocation of these dollars would at the discretion of the donor receiving the tax credit, with broad leeway under the provisions of the bill.

Whereas, non-public schools can choose the children they serve, public school districts must educate every child, and must address the needs of students with a broad range of physical, emotional and mental abilities and disabilities, regardless of race, religion, color, sexual orientation, poverty level, or English proficiency.

Whereas, this legislation is being promoted on the premise that it will help low income families, it would provide a 75% tax credit for up to \$1 million per taxpayer, but would only provide up to \$500 in tax credit for tuition expenses for a family with an annual income under \$60,000.

Therefore, **RESOLVED** that the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District hereby asserts that New York State's first obligation must be to use its resources to support and strengthen public education for the benefit of all its children, and further resolves to underscore its opposition to any education investment tax credit legislation, including the Governor's Program Bill, known as the Education Scholarship and Program Tax Credit/Parental Choice in Education Act.

O. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorize the following budget transfers as required by Board of Education Policy #6150, as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer From	Amount	Reason
A1620 424 10 0000	A1620 162 18 0000	\$ 5,000.00	Technical Service
	A1620 451 30 0000	\$70,000.00	Expenses
A1620 424 10 1000	A1520 162 12 0000	\$ 2,500.00	Architectural Fees
	A1620 453 20 0000	\$70,000.00	
A1620 424 50 0000	A1620 162 12 0000	\$10,000.00	Architectural Fees

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	A1620 162 12 0000	\$10,000.00	
	A1620 162 16 0000	\$10,000.00	
	A1620 451 80 0000	\$10,000.00	
	A1620 453 60 0000	\$10,000.00	
A2250 472 10 4529	A2250 471 10 4521	\$21,578.00	New Student Placement

P. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorize the school district Treasurer to complete budgetary transfers and pay bill schedules and payrolls for all funds. Said transactions will be approved by the Board of Education at the first available Board meeting.

DONATIONS/CORRESPONDANCE

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following donation was accepted by the Board.

A. Acceptance of a grant on behalf of the JFK Magnet School from the Junior League of Westchester on the Sound in the amount of \$2,000. The grant will support the installation of Buddy Benches and related programming.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following donation was accepted by the Board.

B. Acceptance of the following school-based grants from the Tamarack Tower Foundation and thank the organization for its generosity toward our students:

School	Purpose	Amount
PCHS	Microphones for the Theater	\$ 3,300
PCMS	Smart Board Tablets	\$43,000
Edison	Classroom Library Project Phase 2	\$ 4,000
JFK	Garden Classroom	\$6,500
KSS	iPads	\$4,000
PAS	"Go Global/Go Green" app license	\$4,000

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FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT

Assistant Superintendent for Business Maura McAward presented financial data projections for the years 2014-15 through 2019-2020. This is the 10th year that Ms. McAward has provided the Board of Education and the Superintendent with this report.

Mr. Dreves pointed out that the deficit projection does not take into account the unknown amount of State aid to the district. Ms. McAward agreed, showing that we have received less than 50% of promised aid over the last 10 years.

Ms. Brakewood asked if the numbers incorporate PILOTs. Ms. McAward said that residents' tax payments are incorporated and that commercial POLOTs if known, are incorporated as well.

Mr. Johnson asked how the CPI numbers might affect the state 2% tax levy cap. Ms. McAward said that the CPI is not a factor. Discussion ensued about the benefits of lobbying for a "floor" on the tax levy.

BOARD OF EDUCATION ROUNDTABLE/DISCUSSION

Ms. Capeci discussed the ongoing meetings with architects to find options for more classrooms and facilities. She stated that she believed that the Board would obtain the support of the public so long as the direction and plans are shared with the public as they are developed. She also congratulated all of the graduates and the students who are "moving up". She complimented the ceremonies as dignified and beautiful.

Mr. Dreves complimented the Board for keeping up with all of the month's events and thanked Ms. Brakewood for ensuring that the Board is represented at them. He also congratulated Port Chester Middle School principal Patrick Swift for having been honored by the Westchester County School Music Association as Administrator of the Year.

Mr. Johnson mentioned that the Board attended a meeting at the Kittle House where Regent Judith Johnson spoke. He also attended along with Ms. Brakewood a union negotiation trends' workshop as well as the Westchester-Putnam School Boards Association retreat. He also reminded everyone that there would be a prayer vigil on 5/28 in Lyon Park in honor of those slayed in the Charleston, South Carolina church.

Ms. Brakewood complimented the Wellness Committee chair work done by Joe Durney and commended his stewardship. She reported on her attendance at a meeting with the NAACP. She congratulated Frank Fanelli and Lou Cuglietto on their retirements. She wished the graduating seniors luck and congratulated them on their future plans, which she added were a testament to the strong K-12 program in the district.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Dreves seconded by Mr. Corbia and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.