

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
NOVEMBER 5, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.
HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Minutes Meeting #11

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The special meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on November 5, 2012 at the Hudson High School library, 215 Harry Howard Ave., Hudson, NY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by President Peter Merante at 7:00 p.m. with the following Board Members in attendance:

PRESENT:

- Peter D. Merante, Sr.
- Jeri Chapman
- Elizabeth Fout
- Kelly Frank
- Tiffany Hamilton
- Carrie Otty
- Peter A. Rice, Jr.
- Meagan Pinkowski, Student Representative

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent
Business Manager
Clerk of the Board

- Maria J. Suttmeier
- Robert D. Yusko, Jr.
- Frieda A. Van Deusen

Ms. Frank made a motion, seconded by Ms. Otty, that the Board of Education accept the Board Agenda with the following corrections or additions:

AGENDA
ACCEPTED

1. Correct Board Meeting Minutes #10, page 3335, vote results regarding Lance Wheeler Agreement to read: *Ayes – 5, Nays – 1 Ms. Fout, Abstentions – 1 Ms. Frank*
2. Consensus Agenda item 8.1.5, add E: *Abolish Grade 8 Book and Breakfast Club*
3. Consensus Agenda item 8.1.11, circle and vote separately on *A, F, J, K, P, R & X*

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Board Member Elizabeth Fout presented four books on behalf of the Board to Peter Rice for his children in memory of Peter’s father-in-law who recently passed away.

BOOKS
PRESENTED TO
PETER RICE

President Merante introduced Meagan Pinkowski and welcomed her as our Student Representative to the Board.

M. PINKOWSKI
STUDENT REP.

President Merante also mentioned the Boy’s Modified Soccer Team and their outstanding record this season and JV Football Team for their Class B Sectional Championship.

SPORT TEAMS

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Hamilton, the Board of Education went into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. to discuss a contractual matter. Maria Suttmeier, Jack McKinney and Robert Yusko were excused from Executive Session prior to discussion of employment/employment history of a particular person(s).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

The Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Fout, with a second by Ms. Frank.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Board Member Jeri Chapman left the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

JERI CHAPMAN

- PRESENTATIONS** Review of last year’s approved trip to Spain – Amparo Gazzera – Ms. Gazzera reviewed with the Board last year’s approved trip to Spain that had to be canceled due to Spain’s economy at the time and one of Ms. Gazzera’s students, Hannah Jepsen, addressed the Board in regard to a trip to Spain this school year. The Board of Education indicated that they need to see all the paperwork before they will approve a trip.
- OLD BUSINESS** DCIP Update – The Superintendent reported that the District Comprehensive Improvement Plan was submitted on November 1, 2012.
- APPR Update – The Superintendent reported that a final negotiation meeting with HTA is scheduled for Thursday afternoon, November 8th. The APPR plan needs to be into the State this month.
- Regents Scores – The Superintendent reported that our Coordinator of School Improvement Office and Guidance are working on changing our current practice regarding the recording of regents scores.
- Kitchen Items – The Superintendent updated the Board on those kitchen items accepted by the Board at the October 22, 2012 Board Meeting to be put up for bid or disposal. Other than a couple of items that require a bid, the rest of the items are old odds and ends. Board Member Elizabeth Fout suggested donating those items to COARC.
- PUBLIC FORUM** 1. Dan Udell – Passed
 2. Hannah Jepsen – Passed
 3. Joseph Carr – Spoke in regard to his attendance at sporting events of the district and congratulated the JV Football Team on their championship.
- BOARD MINUTES #10 APPROVED** Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, approve Board Meeting Minutes #10, dated October 22, 2012, pages 3333-3337, as amended.
 Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED
- TRANSPORTATION BID RESULTS** Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, approve the attached transportation bid results for Cocksackie Transport to transport a CSE student from Catskill Academy to Questar III, at the total anticipated cost of \$10,800.00 beginning November 5, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013.
 Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED
- TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT - JOHNSTON & PULCHER, INC.** Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, approve a partial year transportation contract, as attached, with Johnston & Pulcher, Inc. to transport a CSE student from home to program due to violent behaviors on the bus, beginning October 31, 2012 and ending November 2, 2012 (determination meeting scheduled for November 2, 2012) for a total anticipated cost of \$420.00.
 Ayes – 5 Nays – 1 Ms. Fout MOTION CARRIED
- TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT - JOHNSTON & PULCHER, INC.** Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, approve a partial year transportation contract, as attached, with Johnston & Pulcher, Inc. to transport parents to and from the Jr./Sr. High School parent/teacher conferences beginning and ending November 15, 2012, for a total anticipated cost of \$300.00 funded from Title I/AIS.
 Ayes – 5 Nays – 1 Ms. Fout MOTION CARRIED
- EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY TRANSFERS** Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Hamilton, approve the following Extra-Curricular Activity transfers with the addition of Item E.
- A. The transfer of \$3,000.00 from the Health Club to the High School Student Council, for the express purpose of buying indoor Project Adventure equipment.
- B. The transfer of \$1,675.80 from Junior States of America (JSA) to the High School Student Council, due to inactivity of the JSA.

C. The transfer of \$11.75 from the Chess Club to the High School Student Council, due to inactivity of the Chess Club.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR
ACTIVITY TRANSFERS

D. After each of the transfers are made, the above listed club accounts will be closed.

E. Abolish Grade 8 Book & Breakfast Club.

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Hamilton, will join the Columbia County and the Town of Livingston to fight the action taken by Livingston Hills Realty, LLC against the Assessor of the Town of Livingston, Index #4842-12.

LIVINGSTON HILLS
REALTY, LLC
ACTION

Furthermore, the cost of such action to be split as follows:

50% School District
40% Columbia County
10% Town of Livingston

As per the Shared Defense program (Resolution No. 17-2007).

Ayes - 1 Ms. Fout

Nays – 5 Ms. Frank

Ms. Otty

Ms. Hamilton

Mr. Merante

Mr. Rice

MOTION FAILED TO CARRY
DUE TO LACK OF MAJORITY VOTE

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, grant a waiver of fees, as attached, to the Hudson Elks Lodge #787 for the use of the Hudson Jr. High School gymnasium on Saturday, November 10, 2012 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the purpose of the annual Elks Hoop Shoot.

WAIVER OF FEES -
ELKS LODGE #787

Ayes – 3

Nays – 0

Abstentions – 3

Ms. Frank

Mr. Merante

Ms. Otty

MOTION FAILED TO CARRY
DUE TO LACK OF MAJORITY
VOTE

A discussion followed because Ms. Otty was uncertain of her voting privileges since she is a Legacy Member of the Elks and therefore abstained from voting. It was determined that as a Legacy Member of the Elks, Ms. Otty does not have Elk voting privileges and therefore could cast a vote on the Elk's waiver of fees at this meeting.

Ms. Frank therefore made a motion, seconded by Ms. Otty, that the Board of Education grant a waiver of fees, as attached, to the Hudson Elks Lodge #787 for the use of the Hudson Jr. High School gymnasium on Saturday, November 10, 2012 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the purpose of the annual Elks Hoop Shoot.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

Abstentions – 2

Ms. Frank

Mr. Merante

MOTION CARRIED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, grant a waiver of fees, as attached, to Bindlestiff Family Variety Arts, Inc. for the use of the JLE gymnasium on Mondays through June 2013 from 6-9 p.m. for the purpose of Hudson juggling Club meetings.

WAIVER OF FEES –
BINDLESTIFF
FAMILY VARIETY
ARTS, INC.

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Otty, arranges for placement of students with disabilities (CSE and CPSE meetings held on October 1, 2, 16, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, November 1, 2012).

CSE & CPSE
PLACEMENTS

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Abstentions – 1

Ms. Fout

MOTION CARRIED

The Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Fout, with a second by Ms. Frank. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education approves action on personnel agenda items 15.1.1-15.1.6E, as attached. PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEMS 15.1.1-15.1.6E

Ayes – 5 Nays – 1 Ms. Fout MOTION CARRIED

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education approves action on personnel agenda item 15.1.6F, as attached. PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEM 15.1.6F

Ayes – 5 Nays – 1 Ms. Fout MOTION CARRIED

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education approves action on personnel agenda items 15.1.6G-15.1.7, as attached. PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEMS 15.1.6G-15.1.7

Ayes – 5 Nays – 1 Ms. Fout MOTION CARRIED

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education approves action on personnel agenda item 15.1.8, as attached. PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEMS 15.1.8

Ayes – 5 Nays – 2 Mr. Merante
Ms. Fout MOTION CARRIED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education, on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, affirms the grievance of the Custodial Unit. CUSTODIAL GRIEVANCE

Ayes – 3 Ms. Fout Nays – 3 Mr. Merante
Ms. Hamilton Ms. Otty
Mr. Rice Ms. Frank MOTION FAILED TO CARRY
DUE TO LACK OF MAJORITY
VOTE

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. ADJOURNED

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

15.1.1 BUSINESS MANAGER APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Appointment	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Yusko	Robert	Purchasing Agent	11/6/12	Replacing M. Suttmeier's Interim appointment
B.	Yusko	Robert	Deputy Clerk of the Board	11/6/12	Replacing former Business Manager
C.	Yusko	Robert	Records Access Officer	11/6/12	Replacing former Business Manager
D.	Yusko	Robert	Records Management Officer	11/6/12	Replacing former Business Manager

15.1.2 INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Hours	Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Clark	Jennifer	Reading Teacher (Wilson Certified)	HJHS	30 minutes daily (7:30-8:00 A.M.) Plus additional compensatory services (not to exceed 18 hrs. total)	Current contractual rate @ \$48.00 per hour	11/6/12-6/21/13	Posting #101612-11

15.1.3 MCKINNEY-VENTO TUTORIAL APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Hours	Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Dykeman	Lynn	Certified teacher for students who require temporary tutoring services through the McKinney Vento Grant	Afterschool and/or weekend hours will vary depending on students' needs	\$48 per hour	11/6/12-6/21/13	Funding via McKinney Vento Grant Posting #092712-10

15.1.4 CREATE INSTRUCTIONAL POSITION

	Position	Location	Salary	Effective Date	Notes
A.	.6 Speech Pathologist	MCSIS/JLE	TBD	11/5/12	To meet the increased need required for speech impaired students and Medicaid speech services

15.1.5 SUPPORT STAFF EFFECTIVE DATE OF HIRE CHANGE

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	New Effective Date	Former Effective Date	Notes
A.	Pepper	Amanda	Teacher Aide	JLE	10/24/12	10/23/12	Actual start date

15.1.6 SUBSTITUTE STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Certification	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Baehr	Vanessa	Substitute Teacher Substitute Teaching Assistant	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day \$10.83 per hour	11/6/12
B.	McCrary	Lindsey	Substitute Teacher Substitute Teaching Assistant Home Instructor Substitute Teacher Aide	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day \$10.83 per hour \$20.00 per hour \$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
C.	Patterson	Snookie	Substitute Teacher	Certified/Retired	\$100.00 per day	11/6/12
D.	Pilkington	James	Substitute Teacher Home Instructor	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day \$20.00 per hour	11/6/12
E.	Shields	James	Substitute Teacher Substitute Teaching Assistant Home Instructor	Certified	\$85.00 per day \$14.17 per hour \$20.00 per hour	11/6/12
F.	Shook	Marcella	Substitute Teacher Substitute Teacher Aide	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day \$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
G.	Wolfberg	Jeanette	Substitute Teacher Substitute Teaching Assistant Home Instructor	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day \$10.83 per hour \$20.00 per hour	11/6/12
H.	Zucker	Mollie	Home Instructor	Certified	\$20.00 per hour	11/6/12
I.	Akhtar	Nasima	Substitute Teacher Aide	n/a	\$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
J.	Akter	Mahfuza	Substitute Teacher Aide	n/a	\$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
K.	Begum	Laila	Substitute Teacher Aide	n/a	\$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
L.	Fatema	Kaniz	Substitute Teacher Aide	n/a	\$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
M.	Khatun	Sabia	Substitute Teacher Aide	n/a	\$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
N.	Tkacy	Dana	Substitute Teacher Aide	n/a	\$8.44 per hour	11/6/12
O.	Felton	Angela	Substitute Food Service Helper	n/a	\$8.55 per hour	11/6/12

15.1.7 21st CENTURY PROGRAM HOURLY RATE CHANGE

	Last Name	First Name	Position	New Rate of Pay	Former Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Fuller	Bryan	Student Helper	\$12.00 per hour	\$9.00 per hour	10/22/12

All appointments are subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.

HAND CARRY

15.1.8 DEAN OF STUDENTS APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Salary	Effective Date	Notes
A.	LaCasse	Robert	TOSA – Sr. High School Dean of Students	HSHS	Per diem rate of \$50.00 beyond current contractual salary	11/6/12	Coverage for Mr. Abitabile while he serves as acting high school principal Posting #102312-12