

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
NOVEMBER 25, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.
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Minutes Meeting #9

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The regular meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on November 25, 2013 at the Hudson Senior High School, 215 Harry Howard Ave., Hudson, NY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PRESENT:

Kelly Frank
Joseph E. Carr
Jeri Chapman
Tiffany Hamilton
David Kisselburgh
Carrie Otty

LATE ARRIVAL:

Peter A. Rice, Jr. (8:45 pm)

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent
School Business Executive
Clerk of the Board

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

Ms. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carr, that the Board of Education accepts the Board Agenda.

AGENDA ACCEPTED

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Student Representative Report

STUDENT REP'S

Billy Glasser, Student Representative, reported the following:

1. Power of Peace Seminar – Very powerful experience for both teachers and students and would like to see it continue every year.
2. Report Card Conference went well with free childcare provided.
3. Senior Class BBQ was held on November 14th
4. 1st Quarter PBIS Power Luncheon will be held on Nov. 26th with approximately 100 students attending.
5. David Koweek, a 2005 graduate of HHS, will be speaking to our science classes about careers in science.
6. Samantha Ganey and Humaira Khan, two HHS students, have been accepted into the National Youth Leadership Forum taking place next summer in New York City & Boston.

Recognition Presentations

Ali Bartolotta, HHS student, was presented with a certificate by Superintendent Maria Suttmeier for her outstanding accomplishment in cross country.

Scholar Athlete Team Award

Whereas, the Hudson High School Girls' Tennis Team, coached by Jeanine Millar, has achieved a composite grade of 92.414 and qualifies for the Scholar Athlete Team Award by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, Inc.;

Be It Hereby Resolved, that the Board of Education acknowledges and congratulates the coach and members of the team for their outstanding accomplishments both on and off the court, as recommended by the Superintendent.

The following students from the HHS Girls' Tennis Team were awarded certificates by Superintendent Suttmeier at the Board Meeting:

Gina Leccese	Humaira Khan
Atia Begh	Zarqa Khalid
Sarah Bartolotta	Farzana Akhter
Fahmida Choudhury	Nabila Akhter
Kaitlyn Krein	Shelby Rideout

Joan Hunt, Greater Hudson Promise Neighborhood

Joan Hunt, Project Manager Greater Hudson Promise Neighborhood, Assistant Director for Hudson PROMISE Corps made a brief presentation in regard to Americorps and introduced Sharece Johnson, an Americorps volunteer who shared some thoughts about the program.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

On a motion by Ms. Hamilton, with a second by Mr. Carr, the Board of Education went into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss sub caller matter and any personnel issues.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

The Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Hamilton, with a second by Mr. Kisselburgh.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

**PERSONNEL
AGENDA ITEMS
A-O**

Ms. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Ms. Chapman, that the Board of Education approves personnel agenda items A-O, as attached.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

Grant Opportunities (UPK Extension) – Supt. Maria Suttmeier explained that this grant would not financially have been beneficial to the district this year as it would have cost the district salaries for a part-time teacher and aide. We would possibly look into the grant for next school year. Ms. Suttmeier also mentioned a National Endowment for the Arts Grant being sought between the Catskill, Germantown and Hudson School District.

Update on The Bridge Program – Supt. Suttmeier mentioned to the Board that the she has spoken with a representative in the Commissioner of Education's office who is looking for a way for the district to get approval from the State for us to open our ALP Bridge Program in January. We should have an answer shortly.

Committee Reports –

1. Audit and Budget Committee – Tiffany Hamilton mentioned that the Board Budget Committee will be conducting a Public Conversation Meeting on December 11th at 6pm in the John L. Edwards Primary School cafeteria.
2. Facilities - No Report
3. Board Policy - Jeri Chapman briefly reviewed the following policies with the Board for a second reading with noted changes/additions as indicated before action was taken:

Policy 0300 Accountability

Policy 0310 Board Self-Evaluation and Forms – * Form 0310-E to be used

Policy 3120 Duties of the Superintendent

Policy 3160 Evaluation of the Superintendent - *Using ISSLC (Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium Standards)

Guidelines for Visiting and Resident Animals in School Policy

Extreme Weather Guidance Plan

POLICIES ADOPTED

Ms. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hamilton, that the Board of Education adopts the above listed policies with noted changes/additions.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

Board Member Tiffany Hamilton left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

TIFFANY HAMILTON

Public Forum

PUBLIC FORUM

Chuck Peters – addressed the Board in regard to obtaining permission for the Volleyball bus to drop off players at two different stops in Hudson on their way back home from games.

Ms. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Otty, that the Board of Education approves consensus agenda items A-O as follows:

CONSENSUS AGENDA
A-O APPROVED

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves Board Meeting Minutes #8, dated November 4, 2013, pages 3438-3442.

BOARD MINUTES #8
APPROVED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves an emergency transportation contract with Coxsackie Transport – Wayne Parks, as attached, to transport a CSE student to the Catskill Academy at a total anticipated annual rate of \$6900.00, beginning November 12, 2013 and ending December 11, 2013.

TRANSPORT CONTRACT
COXSACKIE TRANSPORT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the Tax Collector's Report on the Collection of 2013 School Taxes, as attached.

TAX COLLECTOR'S
REPORT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education turns over the 2013 Delinquent Tax Rolls to the County and City Tax Collectors, respectively.

DELINQUENT TAX
ROLLS

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the attached Treasurer's Reports for the following months:

TREASURER'S
REPORTS APPROVED

1. July 2013

2. August 2013

3. September 2013

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the attached Financial Report as prepared by the School Business Executive for the month ending September 30, 2013.

FINANCIAL REPORT
ACCEPTED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the attached Hudson Junior High School Extra-Curricular Account Monthly Financial Report for the period of September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013.

JRHS EXTRA-CURR.
ACCOUNT REPORT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education accepts the attached Hudson Senior High School Extra-Curricular Account Monthly Financial Report for the period of September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013.

HSHS EXTRA-CURR.
ACCOUNT REPORT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the attached 2014-2015 Budget Development Timeline.

2014-15 BUDGET
DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education adopts a full-year "Civics" course for seventh grade students effective November 26, 2013 (pilot September-November), as attached.

"CIVICS" COURSE
ADOPTED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education adopts a half-year "Survey of Engineering" elective course for juniors and seniors beginning February 2014, as attached.

"SURVEY OF
ENGINEERING" COURSE

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education authorizes the Hudson High School Italian class trip to Italy on April 11-19, 2014, as attached.

HHS ITALIAN TRIP
APPROVED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves the following extra classroom activity annual charters for the 2013-2014 school year, as attached.

EXTRA CLASSROOM
ANNUAL CHARTERS

1. FCS Club – Jr. HS

2. National Jr. Honor Society – Jr. HS

3. Student Council – Jr. HS

4. ASP Club – Jr. HS

**SURPLUS ITEMS
FOR AUCTION**

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education declares the attached list of items as surplus for disposal through an auction later this month.

**CSE AND CPSE
PLACEMENTS**

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education arranges for placement of students with disabilities (CSE and CPSE meetings held on September 18, 25, October 8, 10, 15, 16, 21, 22, 29, November 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 2013)

**BUSINESS EXECUTIVE
REPORT**

Greenport School Update – Robert Yusko, School Business Executive, reported that the buyer for Greenport School has resubmitted an application to Greenport Town Board for their meeting on November 26th.

State Aid Update - The district has received another State Aid run on Nov. 22nd which indicated our aid to be \$20,271,879 an increase of \$394,000 over the first State Aid run. We have also received information from the Teachers' Retirement System indicating an increase in rates for next year.

Fiscal Stress Monitoring System Update – Mr. Yusko reported that the State has implemented the Fiscal Stress Monitoring System.

CSI REPORT

In the absence of April Prestipino, Coordinator of School Improvement, Supt. Suttmeier updated the Board on the following issues:

- A. Core Knowledge Module Review
- B. Focus Review of JLE – The State will be coming in January to review the JLE School
- C. STLE Grant – This grant funds our Lead Evaluator. Round 3 (third year) includes a principal career ladder. The application will be submitted next week.

PETER RICE

Board Member Peter Rice joined the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

SUPT.'S REPORT

A. JLE PTA Enrichment Program – Supt. Suttmeier was pleased to report to the Board that the John L. Edwards Parent Enrichment Program is developing an enrichment program in collaboration with teachers. A parent has shared a coin collection with the students and other lessons are being developed.

B. Positive Notes – Our Superintendent shared positive notes on the following:

- Destination Graduation mural being painted at the Hudson High School
- Kindness Cart
- Family Literacy Thanksgiving Dinner
- Dollars for Scholars – New website linked from District's website

NEW BUSINESS

Monitoring Student Progress – Board Member Jeri Chapman suggested that the Board receive a student assessment calendar and report on a periodic basis in accordance with the Accountability policy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Mr. Rice, the Board of Education went into Executive Session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss contractual and negotiation matters.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

The Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 9:31 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Otty, with a second by Mr. Rice.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Otty, with a second by Ms. Chapman.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

VII.

A. INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education appoint Valerie Spensieri, certified, tenured K-12 reading teacher and certified English language arts 7-12 teacher, to a dual tenure area position of 0.6 reading teacher and 0.4 two-year probationary English language arts teacher at Hudson Sr. High School, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2015, at her current annual salary.

B. INSTRUCTIONAL LEAVE REPLACEMENT APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Rate of Pay	Effective Dates	Notes
A.	Hallenbeck	Samantha	7 th Grade Math Teacher	HJHS	\$85.00 per day	12/6/13-1/21/14 (tentative dates)	To fill vacancy due to E. Cukerstein's LOA

C. GRADUATE CREDITS

	Teacher	Current Preparation	Name of Course	Credits	Remuneration
A.	Dougherty, Victoria	BS47MA	New Challenges, New Connections	1 (5 c.e.u. + 10 c.e.u. prior approval*)	\$ 73.00 (Retro to November 2012)
B.	Hayles, Beverly	BA51MSED	Supervision and Teacher Development	3	\$ 219.00
C.	Hayles, Beverly	BA51MSED	Internship in Educational Leadership, Part 1	3	\$ 219.00
D.	LaCasse, Robert	BS42MSED	Education Law	3	\$ 219.00
E.	LaCasse, Robert	BS42MSED	Internship in Educational Leadership and Administration, Part 1	3	\$ 219.00
F.	LaCasse, Robert	BS42MSED	Supervision and Teacher Development	3	\$ 219.00
G.	LaCasse, Robert	BS42MSED	Internship in Educational Leadership and Administration, Part 2	3	\$ 219.00
H.	LaCasse, Robert	BS42MSED	District Level Leadership and Management	3	\$ 219.00
I.	LaCasse, Robert	BS42MSED	School District/Community Policy and Politics	3	\$ 219.00
			TOTAL		\$1825.00

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D. IN-SERVICE CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS*

	Teacher	Current Preparation	Name of Course	Credits	Remuneration
A.	Dougherty, Victoria	BS47MA	New Challenges, New Connections	1 c.e.u.	\$ 0.00
B.	Dougherty, Victoria	BS47MA	Infusing Rigorous Common Core Math and CTE Workshop	5.5 c.e.u.	\$ 0.00
C.	Engel, Karen	BS47MS	Educator Extravaganza	3 c.e.u.	\$ 0.00

*Salary credit granted when one full credit (15 c.e.u.) is accumulated

E. SUPPORT STAFF CHANGE IN HOURS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Current Hours	New Hours	Effective Date
A.	Smith	Joanna	Teacher Aide	JLE	6.5	6.75	10/29/13
B.	Peters	Carol	Teacher Aide	JLE	7.25	6.5	10/28/13
C.	Clemente	Shirley	Teacher Aide	MCSIS	3.25	4.02 (coverage for lunch periods)	11/20/13

F. SUPPORT STAFF TRANSFER

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Previous Location	New Location	Hours	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Ferrusi	Kathryn	Teacher Aide	HSHS	HJHS	7	11/18/13	Filling position vacated by V. Schertel who resigned

G. CREATE SUPPORT STAFF POSITIONS

	Position	Location	Hours	Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	1:1 Teacher Aide	JLE	5	\$8.44 per hour or contractual rate	11/26/13	To meet the requirements on students' IEP
B.	1:1 Teacher Aide	HSHS	6	\$8.44 per hour or contractual rate	12/2/13	To meet the requirements on students' IEP

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H. LANGUAGE INTERPRETER APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Medina	Arlen	Translator	\$25.00 per hour	2013-2014 school year	As needed for required Special Education and District meetings

I. HOME INSTRUCTOR APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Certification	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	McDonald	Maureen	Home Instructor (Tutor)	Certified	\$20.00 per hour	11/26/13

J. SUBSTITUTE STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Certification	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Carpenito	Jonathan	Substitute Teacher	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day	11/26/13
B.	Hotaling	Hannah	Substitute Food Service Helper	N/A	\$8.55 per hour	11/26/13
C.	Carter	Paul	Substitute Teacher Substitute Teaching Assistant	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day \$10.83 per hour	11/26/13

K. REMOVE FROM SUBSTITUTE LISTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date
A.	Koweek	Stephanie	Substitute Teacher	11/26/13
B.	Urbini	Sylvie	Substitute Teacher Aide	11/26/13

L. EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS APPOINTMENTS*

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Season	Stipend	Effective Date
A.	Ohrin	Andrew	Boys' Varsity Track Coach	Spring	\$3747.	11/26/13
B.	Qua	Allen	Boys' Varsity Track Assistant Coach	Spring	\$2996.	11/26/13
C.	Connor, Jr.	John	Girls' Varsity Track Coach	Spring	\$3747.	11/26/13
D.	Velasquez	Tomas	Girls' Varsity Track Assistant Coach	Spring	\$2996.	11/26/13
E.	Bowes	Kevin	Boys' Varsity Baseball Coach	Spring	\$3747.	11/26/13
F.	Ward	Kenneth	Boys' JV Baseball Coach	Spring	\$2996.	11/26/13
G.	Markowitz	Steven	Boys' Modified Baseball Coach	Spring	\$2623.	11/26/13

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H.	Briscoe	Shawn	Girls' Varsity Softball Coach	Spring	\$3747.	11/26/13
I.	Hunter	Mary	Girls' JV Softball Coach	Spring	\$2996.	11/26/13
J.	Millar	Jeanine	Boys' Varsity Tennis Coach	Spring	\$3369.	11/26/13
K.	Clark	Jennifer	Girls' Modified Softball Coach	Spring	\$2623.	11/26/13
L.	Hunter	Mackenzie	Girls' JV Softball Volunteer	Spring	-0-	11/26/13
M.	Bernockie	Evan	Boys' Varsity Baseball Volunteer	Spring	-0-	11/26/13
N.	Hill	Victoria	Basketball Cheerleading Volunteer	Winter	-0-	11/26/13

M. 21st CENTURY PROGRAM SUPPORT STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Hours	Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Figuroa	Caridad	1:1 Aide for Afterschool Program	JLE	3.25 hrs.(only when student is present at program)	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	Posting #N101813-16
B.	Genito	Tammy	1:1 Aide for Afterschool Program	MCSIS	2.75 hrs.(only when student is present at program)	At the contractual rate	11/26/13	Posting #N101813-15
C.	Stickles	Deborah	1:1 Aide for Afterschool Program	MCSIS	2.75 hrs.(only when student is present at program)	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	Posting #N101813-15
D.	McGee	Helen	1:1 Aide for Afterschool Program	HJHS	2.75 hrs.(only when student is present at program)	At the contractual rate	11/26/13	Posting #N101813-17
E.	Hallenbeck	Diane	Substitute Aide for Afterschool Program	Where needed	2.75 – 3.25 hrs.	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	As needed

N. AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM STUDENT HELPER APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Rate of Pay (not to exceed 25 hrs/wk)	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Ohlerich	Ryan	Student Helper	TBD	\$7.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via Extended School Day Grant
B.	Ralph	Allyssia	Student Helper	TBD	\$7.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via Extended School Day Grant
C.	Ridley	Sheldon	Student Helper	TBD	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via Extended School Day Grant
D.	Smith	Tei-onna	Student Helper	TBD	\$7.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via Extended School Day Grant
E.	Anthony-Race	Amy	Student Helper	TBD	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via 21 st Century Grant
F.	Stevenson	Larry	Student Helper	TBD	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via 21 st Century Grant
G.	Ferrusi	Kathy	Student Helper	TBD	\$12.50 per hour	11/26/13	Funding via 21 st Century Grant

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O. POOL STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Hours	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Moon	Joshua	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	11/26/13
B.	Topple	Jacob	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	11/26/13
C.	Near	Steven	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	11/26/13
D.	Nedwell	Daniel	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	11/26/13

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.

***Appointments are contingent upon successful completion of CPR, AED & First Aid for Coaches.**