

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2014 – 6:00 P.M.
JOHN L. EDWARDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Minutes Meeting #10

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The regular meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on December 8, 2014 at the John L. Edwards Primary School, 360 State St., Hudson, NY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by President Peter Rice at 6:00 p.m. with the following Board Members in attendance:

PRESENT:

- Peter A. Rice, Jr.
- Sage Carter
- Tiffany Hamilton
- David Kisselburgh
- Maria McLaughlin
- Carrie Otty
- Atia Begh, Student Representative

ABSENT:

- Derrick Smart

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent
 Coordinator of School Improvement
 School Business Executive
 Clerk of the Board

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

Ms. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kisselburgh, that the Board of Education accepts the Board Agenda with one addition to Executive Session.

AGENDA ACCEPTED

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Curriculum Workshop

A Curriculum Workshop was held in classrooms at the John L. Edwards School from 6:00 to 7:15 PM, with grade level chairs conducting presentations.

**CURRICULUM
WORKSHOP**

The Board of Education meeting resumed at 7:15 p.m.

Student Representative Report: Atia Begh, Student Representative to the Board, updated the Board on recent events held at the High School as well as upcoming events.

STUDENT REP'S.

Recognition/Presentation:

PRESENTATION

Kathy Clark, ASP Director and Joan Hunt, GHPN Director, presented information about the whole concept of community schools and what it focuses on. The district was awarded grants in June that totaled approximately \$1,450,000 for a three year period. The budgets have been approved and the first year of the grant will involve work on planning the project, setting up sight locations at each school and having cycles of fact finding, parent and leadership workshops. The District plans to partner with several organizations.

Executive Session: There was no need for an Executive Session at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

**PERSONNEL AGENDA
ITEMS A-I**

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

Recognition and Welcome of New Staff: There was no new staff to welcome or recognitions to acknowledge at the meeting.

**RECOGNITION/
WELCOME**

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Policy - The first reading of the following policies was held:
2310 – Regular Meetings
2320 – Special Meetings
2330 – Executive Sessions

POLICIES APPROVED

On a motion by Ms. Hamilton, with a second by Ms. McLaughlin, Policy 2310, Policy 2320 and Policy 2330 were approved as revised.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

The following policies were reviewed by the Board, a few revisions were suggested, and the policies will be brought back to the Board for a first reading:

- 2340 – Notice of Meetings
- 2342 – Agenda Preparation and Dissemination
- 2350 – Board Meeting Procedures
- 2351 – Quorum

PUBLIC FORUM

No one signed up to speak at this time.

BUSINESS EXEC. REPORT

Robert Yusko, School Business Executive, reported on recent School Business Manager's Winter Workshop he recently attended. He briefly discussed the four main conference topics:

- 1) Establishment of a Policy for Separation Payments
- 2) Development and Establishment of a Reserve Plan
- 3) Unemployment Insurance
- 4) Trends in Collective Bargaining and Negotiations

CSI REPORT

April Prestipino, Coordinator of School Improvement, reviewed with the Board K12 Insight Survey Participation Results, Double Testing for Integrated Algebra Students, and additional Title I School Improvement Funds (1003a).

SUPERINTENDENT'S

Celebrating What's Right: Superintendent Suttmeier spoke in regard to the Columbia County School Boards training workshops being proposed. Sessions with Board colleagues will include topics on open meeting law, special education, contracts, etc. The Board of Education expressed an interest in participating. The Board of Ed gave the Superintendent permission to open up a link on the district's website for Rubicon Atlas curriculum maps to be shared with the public. The Superintendent will work on this for an expected launch in early 2015.

**CONSENSUS AGENDA
ITEMS A-C APPROVED**

On a motion by Ms. Hamilton, with a second by Ms. Otty, the Board of Education approves consensus agenda items A-C as follows:

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

MOTION CARRIED

**BOARD MINUTES #9
APPROVED**

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves Board Meeting Minutes #9, dated November 24, 2014, pages 3536-3539.

**TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACT – JOHNSTON
& PULCHER**

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approves a partial year transportation contract, as attached, with Johnston & Pulcher for an additional P.M. run from the MCSIS After School Program due to overcrowding, beginning December 4, 2014 and ending March 31, 2015, at a total anticipated cost of \$6840.00.

CSI & CPSE PLACEMENTS

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education arranges for placement of students with disabilities (CSE and CPSE meetings held on November 14, 17, 20, 21, 24, 25, December 2, 3, 5, 2014)

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business presented to discuss.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one signed up to speak at this time.

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8.

A. INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT FROM PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME PROBATIONARY

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Current	New	Type of Appointment	Tenure/Certification Area	Type of Certification	Effective Date	Salary Schedule	Salary	Notes
A.	Van Slyke	Christina	Special Education Teacher	0.4 FTE	1.0 FTE	3 – Year Probationary	Special Education/ Special Education	Permanent	12/15/14-12/14/17	MA Step 7	\$52,010 2013-14 rate pending negotiations	To meet students' Teacher Consultant and Resource Room requirements

B. INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF APPOINTMENT – PROBATIONARY PERIOD CORRECTION

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Type of Appointment	Original Probationary Period	Corrected Probationary Period	Certification /Tenure Area	Type of Certificate	Salary Schedule	Salary
A.	Crandall	Michele	School Psychologist	2 – Year Probationary	1/05/15-1/04/17	1/12/15-1/11/17	School Psychologist/ School Psychologist	Permanent	MA Step 8 2013-14 rate pending negotiations	\$53,729 + 1.08 index (\$4298) = \$58,027 pro-rated

C. SUPPORT STAFF RESIGNATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RETIREMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Years of Service	Effective Date
A.	Demarest	Donna	Food Service Helper	HJSHS	16+ years	End of business on 12/05/14

D. SUPPORT STAFF UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Effective Dates	Notes
A.	Khanam	Taslima	Teacher Aide	JLE	12/06/14-1/23/15	Unpaid LOA for family medical reasons

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E. SUBSTITUTE STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Certification	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Howe	Kira	Substitute Teaching Assistant	Non-Certified	\$10.83 per hour	12/09/14
B.	Keyser	Kayla	Substitute Teaching Assistant	Non-Certified	\$10.83 per hour	12/09/14

F. EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS APPOINTMENTS*

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Season	Stipend	Effective Date
A.	Bowes	Kevin	Boys' Varsity Baseball Coach	Spring	\$3747.	12/09/14
B.	Ward	Kenneth	Boys' JV Baseball Coach	Spring	\$2996.	12/09/14
C.	Markowitz	Steven	Boys' Modified Baseball Coach	Spring	\$2623.	12/09/14
D.	Briscoe	Shawn	Girls' Varsity Softball Coach	Spring	\$3747.	12/09/14
E.	Hunter	Mary	Girls' JV Softball Coach	Spring	\$2996.	12/09/14
F.	Clark	Jennifer	Girls' Modified Softball Coach	Spring	\$2623.	12/09/14
G.	Millar	Jeanine	Boys' Varsity Tennis Coach	Spring	\$3369.	12/09/14
H.	Ohrin	Andrew	Boys' Varsity Track Coach	Spring	\$3747.	12/09/14
I.	Qua	Allen	Boys' Varsity Track Assistant Coach	Spring	\$2996.	12/09/14
J.	Connor, Jr.	John	Girls' Varsity Track Coach	Spring	\$3747.	12/09/14
K.	VanDyke	Tyler	Girls' Varsity Track Assistant Coach	Spring	\$2996.	12/09/14

G. CREATE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM SUPPORT STAFF POSITION

	Position	Location	Hours/Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Shared Teacher Aide for the Afterschool Program	JLE	Mon.-Fri., 2:15p.m.-5:30p.m. when students are in attendance at the program at \$12.50 per hour or contractual rate of pay	12/09/14	To meet the needs and requirements of students' IEP

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H. AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM SUPPORT STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Hours/Rate of Pay	Effective Dates	Notes
A.	Pepper	Amanda	1:1 Teacher Aide for the Afterschool Program	JLE	Mon.-Fri., 2:15 p.m.-5:30 p.m. when student is in attendance at the program at \$12.50 per hour or contractual rate of pay	12/09/14-6/25/15	To meet the needs and requirements of student's IEP Funding via Extended School Day Grant
B.	Khatun	Hamida	1:1 Teacher Aide for the Afterschool Program	JLE	Mon.-Fri., 2:15 p.m.-5:30 p.m. when student is in attendance at the program at \$12.50 per hour or contractual rate of pay	12/09/14-6/25/15	To meet the needs and requirements of student's IEP Funding via Extended School Day Grant

I. 21ST CENTURY PROGRAM STUDENT HELPER RESIGNATION

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date
A.	Branam	Joyce	ASP Student Helper	12/09/14

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.**