

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
POCANTICO HILLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
599 Bedford Road
Pocantico Hills
Sleepy Hollow, New York 10591**

Business Meeting
Tuesday, January 24, 2012

The Business Meeting of the Board of Education of the Pocantico Hills Central School District was held on Tuesday, January 24 at 6:36 p.m. in the school Library, Bedford Road, Sleepy Hollow, New York.

On a motion by Vice President David Wilens and seconded by Trustee Joan Cusanelli the Board of Education called the Business Meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). **CALL TO ORDER**

On a motion by Trustee Emily Segal and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education moved to Executive Session at 6:37 p.m. to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Present: John Conrad, President
David Wilens, Vice President
Joan Cusanelli, Trustee
Fred Rickles, Trustee
Emily Segal, Trustee **ROLL CALL**

Also Present: Valencia F. Douglas, Superintendent
Jay Scotto-Friedman, Assistant Superintendent

On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education adjourned the Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). **ADJOURNMENT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

With no objection from the Board of Education, President John Conrad called the Business Meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. **BUSINESS MEETING**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Fred Rickles. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Present: John Conrad, President
David Wilens, Vice President
Joan Cusanelli, Trustee
Fred Rickles, Trustee
Emily Segal, Trustee **ROLL CALL**

Also Present: Valencia F. Douglas, Superintendent
Jay Scotto-Friedman, Assistant Superintendent
Gina L. Downes, District Clerk

Hearing from those Present: A community member wanted to know the procedure for parent pickup when there is a change in the child's regular schedule **HEARING FROM THOSE PRESENT**

Correspondence: No correspondence at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Board/Superintendent Announcements: Superintendent Valencia Douglas congratulated the parents, students and especially the 5/6 team on a wonderful presentation of the Wicked Wax Museum. Special thanks to Laura Garrido, MaryBeth Pietrangelo, Zeena Arturo and Madeline McDougal for helping the students prepare for such a wonderful event.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: The PTA will be hosting Family Recreation Night on Friday, January 27th to end the successful Reading Challenge at Pocantico Hills. The Foundation will be raffling off 4 Kindles and there will be many other prizes. Congratulations to Mr. Steele for having the vision for the Reading Challenge.

Black History month begins in February. Please feel free to stop by your child's classroom to see the lessons the teachers are presenting on black history.

President John Conrad wished all the 8th grade students well in their choice for high school; 16 students will be attending Briarcliff, 5 students will be attending Pleasantville and 1 student will be attending Sleepy Hollow.

Appointments: The following appointments were approved by the Board of Education:

PERSONNEL Appointments

On a motion by Trustee Emily Segal and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education voted and approved the following appointment. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Name: Michael McCoy
Title: Camp Director
Rate: \$20,000
Term: January 25, 2012 – January 24, 2013

Denial of clearance or conditional clearance from the Commissioner of Education shall result in immediate termination of employment for the appointment listed above.

On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education voted and approved the following appointment. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Name: Kristen Attanasio Secor
Title: Leave Replacement – 5/6 ELA
Effective Date: January 30, 2012 – June 30, 2012
Step: MA/1
Salary: \$61,290.00
Prorated: \$31,258.00

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On a motion by Trustee Fred Rickles and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal

the Board of Education voted and approved the following appointment. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Name: Jamie Longo
Title: Pool Director
Rate: \$25,000
Term: January 25, 2012 – January 24, 2013

On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusaneli and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education voted and approved the following appointment. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Name: Peter Rubeo
Title: Videographer
Rate: \$75.00 / event
Event Date: January 27, 2012

On a motion by Vice President David Wilens and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education voted and approved the following appointment. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Name: Richard Lepore
Title: Teacher Aide
Rate: \$112.54 / day
Term: January 17, 2012 – February 14, 2012

Denial of clearance or conditional clearance from the Commissioner of Education shall result in immediate termination of employment for the appointment listed above.

Child Rearing Leave: On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Emily Segal the Board of Education voted and approved the following child rearing leave. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). Child Rearing Leave

Name: MaryBeth Peitrangelo
Effective Date: February 13, 2012
Return Date: September 1, 2012
Title: Teacher

Stipend Appointments: On a motion by Trustee Fred Rickles and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education voted and approved the following stipend appointments. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). Stipend Appointments

Name: Amie Doane
Stipend: Photography
Amount: \$2,911 (split position – 22 sessions**)

Name: Michelle Tarchine
Stipend: Photography
Amount: \$662 (split position – 5 sessions)
Name: Ilana Brennan
Stipend: Student Council Advisor
Amount: \$3,351 (split position**)

Name: Patty Palombo
Stipend: Student Council Advisor
Amount: \$3,350 (split position**)

Name: Sheila Stanton
Stipend: Play Co-Director
Amount: \$4,636

Name: Blake Burgess
Stipend: Play Co-Director
Amount: \$4,636

Name: Melissa Lupi
Stipend: Assistant Play Director
Amount: \$3,229

Amounts based upon Agreement between Pocantico Hills CSD and the Pocantico Hills Teachers Association July 1, 2010-June 30, 2012.

**Revises appointment approved by the Board of Education on September 20, 2011.

Summer 2011 Pool Report: The Board of Education received a presentation from Pool Director, Jamie Longo, on the 2011 summer pool season.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
Summer 2011 Pool Report

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education voted and approved the January 10, 2012 Board minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
January 10, 2012

ELO Winter Program: On a motion by Trustee Fred Rickles and seconded by Trustee Joan Cusanelli the Board of Education voted and approved the following Winter ELO programs for 6 sessions at \$65.00 per session. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

OLD BUSINESS
ELO Winter Program

Nancy Occhicone – Games ‘n Snacks
Stacy Rubeo – Hip Hop Dancing
Tracy Carrigan/Dolly Rached – Cook it up a Notch
Sharon Rubeo – Baseball
Sharon Rubeo/Jonette Kowalczyk – Minute to Win It
Kelly Owen – Origami
Stacy Rubeo – Cartooning
Mario Suarez – Paper Airplane Making
Peter Rubeo – Magic Club
Mario Suarez – Monopoly Anyone?
Jonette Kowalczyk – Weird Science
Sana Fanek/Sharon Rubeo – Creative Chefs
Liz Lapicki – Gifts Galore

Discussion/Planning for Future Meetings: The next Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7th at 8:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION/PLANNING FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Adjournment of Executive Session and Discussion Meeting: There being

ADJOURNMENT OF

no further business, on a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education adjourned the Business Meeting at 9:21 p.m. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

BUSINESS MEETING

Respectfully submitted,
Gina L. Downes
District Clerk

John Conrad, School Board President

Date: _____

Gina L. Downes, District Clerk

Date: _____