

**MOUNT PLEASANT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION MEETING – MARCH 6, 2013**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 6, 2013**

PRESENT:

James Grieco, President
Eric Schulze, Vice President
Francine Aloï
Vincent D'Ambroso
Laurie Donato
Thomas McCabe
Christopher Pinchiaroli

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. S. Guiney, Superintendent of Schools
Marie D'Ambroso, Deputy District Clerk
J. DelConte, Director of Special Education &
Student Services
M. Ellis, Director of Curriculum & Instructional
Services
L. Sanfilippo, Director of Business
Administration
Representatives from Ingerman Smith, LLP
Community members (2)

ABSENT:

Mary Beth Mancuso, District Clerk

Mr. Grieco, President, opened the March 6th Board of Education work session meeting at approximately 7:30 p.m. in the District Office. At approximately, 7:32 p.m., motion made by Vincent D'Ambroso, seconded by Laurie Donato, and unanimously adopted by the Board to enter into executive session to discuss employment history of a specific individual with legal counsel. At approximately 7:40 p.m., motion made by Vincent D'Ambroso, seconded by Laurie Donato and unanimously adopted by the Board to close the executive session and return to public session.

At approximately 7:50 p.m., the Board of Education acted on the following resolutions:

CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTION - regarding employment history of a specific individual with legal counsel conducted in executive session was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Motion made by Eric Schulze seconded by Vincent D'Ambroso

VOTE 7-0

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Motion made by Eric Schulze, seconded by Laurie Donato, in accordance with the Board of Education Policy No. 1512 requested a single motion to adopt Resolutions A through D in a block.

A) ACCEPTANCE – MOUNT PLEASANT EDUCATION FOUNDATION GRANTS

BE IT RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the grants from the Mount Pleasant Education Foundation in the total amount of \$42,777.88. The District is currently holding \$3,414.15 from the Education Foundation to be combined with the current contribution of \$39,363.73. These funds are to be allocated as follows:

GRANT REQUESTOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Antonaccio/Kurlander	Library for independent & shared reading	\$ 6,000.00
Morris	Photography/lighting	\$ 526.00
Papazian/Morris	Glazing Station – Pottery	\$ 1,038.00
Campbell	Library Books – leveled reading series, timers, and cart	\$ 2,514.00
Hametz	Smartboard, projector, audio	\$ 3,500.00
DiPaolo	College Tours for Juniors	\$ 2,000.00
Danzis	Library Books – leveled reading, series, timers, and carts	\$ 2,500.00
Nesheiwat	iPad2 & apps	\$ 678.45
Malone	32 iPads & 32 Unit chargers	\$14,645.00
Boucher/Gray/Rush	Social Play – A Critical Piece to the K Puzzle	\$ 3,600.00
Cowles-Dumitru	Create a documentary video	\$ 3,000.00
Fay	iPad with speech & language apps	\$ 528.43
Frawley	Author/Illustrator Visit (Neil Waldman)	\$ 1,200.00
Nazaruk	Document Camera/Visual Projector	\$ 674.00
Nazurak	Manipulatives for Smartboard	\$ 374.00
	TOTAL GRANTS	\$42,777.88

B) APPROVAL – SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mount Pleasant Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the request for the establishment of the Patricia P. Albano Memorial Scholarship Fund and that the District shall receive donations to this expendable fund that will be held by the District in trust.

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C) APPROVAL – 2013-14 SCHOOL CALENDAR

BE IT RESOLVED: That in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached school calendar for the 2013-14 school year.

D) APPROVAL - ABOLISHMENT OF POSITION

WHEREAS, it has been determined that there is an economic and/or operational need to eliminate one (1) part-time labor class civil service School Monitor position.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mount Pleasant Board of Education here by abolishes one (1) part-time labor class civil service School Monitor position assigned to Westlake Middle School.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby excesses the employee discussed in executive session as Employee 1099, who currently maintains said School Monitor position, effective March 1, 2013.
At approximately

REPORTS –

Mr. Grieco reported on the Tri-State visitation and breakfast at Hawthorne Elementary School on March 6th.

Dr. Susan Guiney reported that she met with Jennifer DelConte, Mary Ellis, the principals and teachers. She reported that everything is going as planned.

At approximately, 8:50 p.m., motion made by Vincent D'Ambroso, seconded by Laurie Donato, and unanimously adopted by the Board to enter into executive session to discuss contract agreements. At approximately 9:10 p.m., motion made by Vincent D'Ambroso, seconded by Laurie Donato and unanimously adopted by the Board to close the executive session and return to public session

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ADDENDUMS TO BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION:

E) APPROVAL – INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mount Pleasant Central School District Board of Education hereby appoints O'Connor Davies, LLP, as independent auditors for the 2012-13 year for annual fee of \$32,000, per recommendation of the Audit Committee and authorizes the Board President to sign the engagement letter on its behalf.

Motion made by Eric Schulze, seconded by Vincent D'Ambroso.

VOTE 7 – 0

VIII. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS TO BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Jen DeFlorio, Elementary PTA - 2013-14 calendar (February break for next year). Ms. DeFlorio asked the Board of Education if the February break will remain on the calendar for next year. The Board of Education unanimously agreed that the February break will continue next year.

Dr. Nancy Engel, Teacher – Awarding of grants – Dr. Engel asked for clarification of the process of donations. The Board of Education explained that the Policy needs to include recommendation and approval by the Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Education.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 9:20 p.m., motion made by Eric Schulze, seconded by Laurie Donato, and unanimously adopted by the Board to adjourn the March 6, 2013, Board of Education work session.

Marie D'Ambroso
Deputy District Clerk

BOARD APPROVED 3-20-13