

Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District
Board of Education – Regular Meeting Minutes
October 30, 2018 – Middle School

Present: Carolee Brakewood, President, Christopher Wolff, Vice President and Trustees Anne Capeci, Thomas Corbia and Lou Russo

Also Present: Dr. Edward A. Klizus, Superintendent of Schools; Joseph Durney, Deputy Superintendent; Sandra Clohessy, School Business Administrator; Lisa Zareski, Treasurer and Cathy Maggi, District Clerk

Call to Order

Mrs. Brakewood called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m. and asked for a motion to adjourn to executive session. Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Russo and carried (4-0), the board adjourned to executive session to discuss specific legal/personnel matters.

At 7:10 p.m., Mrs. Brakewood asked for a motion to return from executive session. Upon a motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried (5-0), the meeting was called to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed to remember the 11 victims of the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. Flags were flown at half-staff in the wake of this tragedy.

President's Opening Remarks

Mrs. Brakewood welcomed everyone to the meeting. It has been a busy fall, with groundbreaking ceremonies on October 9th at King Street and John F. Kennedy Schools for the bond construction projects. Work is in progress at all the elementary schools and there will be a bond construction update later in the meeting. Students are halfway through the first marking period, with fall sports winding down and winter sports beginning.

John F. Kennedy Elementary School Report

Judy Diaz, Principal of John F. Kennedy Elementary School presented her state of the school address. She thanked the Board of Education, central office staff, elementary school principals, her staff, the JFK PTA and the families, the custodial staff and the buildings and grounds staff for the smooth transition in closing ELC.

The parents and students of the FLORES Program were acknowledged with certificates of participation, along with teachers Mrs. Purcell, Mrs. Alampi and Mrs. Chudoba. The model for this program was developed by Mercy College's Dr. Amanda Gunning and Dr. Meghan Marrero and is funded through the U. S. Department of Education's Step Up to STEM grant. She thanked the parents for their commitment and participation. Mrs. Purcell also thanked the families and introduced Dr. Gunning and Ms. Branden who presented a plaque in honor of the third cohort of the WIPRO fellows. Mrs. Diaz thanked all of the community partners.

The board of education members and Dr. Klizus thanked Mrs. Diaz for her report and all the wonderful work being done at John F. Kennedy School. The teachers and staff were thanked again for all they do.

Mrs. Brakewood called a short recess at 7:40 p.m. The meeting was called back into session at 7:42 p.m.

Annual External Auditor Report

Peter Rodriguez of the audit firm Cullen & Danowski, LLP presented the audit of 2017-2018 Financial Statements. The board members all thanked Mr. Rodriguez for his report.

Report From Superintendent

Request for Action

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Corbia and carried (5-0), the resolutions were unanimously approved.

The Superintendent recommends action on the following matters. Resolved that

1. Molly Weisblum, Rye Brook, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 3-Level 6 (pro-rated) of the 2015-2019 Teachers Collectively Negotiated Agreement, effective October 22, 2018 through October 21, 2022. Ms. Weisblum received a B.A. Degree from SUNY Cortland and a M.A. Degree from CUNY Hunter. Ms. Weisblum received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 15, 2014. Her assignment will be at the King Street and Park Avenue Schools and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. Her certifications are Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) - Initial Certification, Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) – Initial Certification and ESL – Initial Certification.

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2. Sallee Bickford, Yonkers, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Art Teacher, at Step 4-Level 6 (pro-rated) of the 2015-2019 Teachers Collectively Negotiated Agreement, effective December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2022, except to the extent required by Section 3012-d of the Education Law.* Ms. Bickford received a B.A. Degree from Bridgewater State University and a M.A. Degree from Adelphi University. Ms. Bickford received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment October 12, 2018. Her assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. Her certification is Visual Arts - Initial Extension.

* In order to be granted tenure, a classroom teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or §3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least 3 of the 4 preceding years. Further, if the classroom teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he/she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time, in which case the Board of Education, in its discretion, may extend the teacher's probationary term for an additional year.

3. Natalie Estrella, Bronx, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Teaching Assistant, at Step 3-Level 6UG hours/day (pro-rated) of the 2015-2019 Teachers Collectively Negotiated Agreement, effective October 10, 2018 through October 9, 2022. Ms. Estrella is currently attending the Borough of Manhattan Community College. Ms. Estrella received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment March 2, 2018. Her assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. Her certification is Teaching Assistant – Level I.
4. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Alexandra Martin, Yonkers, New York, as Social Worker at King Street School, beginning approximately November 22, 2018 through March 29, 2019. Mrs. Martin will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. If needed, the remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. The Family Medical leave will not be counted for seniority or for longevity purposes.
5. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Ginna Kippes, East Elmhurst, New York, as Mathematics Teacher at the High School, beginning approximately December 21, 2018 through March 22, 2019. Mrs. Kippes will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. If needed, the remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. The Family Medical leave will not be counted for seniority or for longevity purposes.
6. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Giselle Ferraro, Mamaroneck, New York, as Mathematics Teacher at the High School, beginning approximately November 19, 2018 through March 15, 2019. Mrs. Ferraro will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. If needed, the remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. The Family Medical leave will not be counted for seniority or for longevity purposes.
7. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Cristina Alampi, Armonk, New York, as Elementary Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately December 21, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Mrs. Alampi will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. If needed, the remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. The Family Medical leave will not be counted for seniority or for longevity purposes.
8. The Family Medical Leave of Absence granted at the August 29th meeting to Jennifer Mundo, Bronx, New York, as Elementary Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately August 30, 2018 through October 31, 2018 be extended through January 1, 2019. This leave will be without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. She will not advance in seniority nor will said leave be counted for longevity purposes.
9. The Maternity Leave of Absence granted at the August 29th meeting to Nicolle Strang, Mahopac, New York, as Elementary Teacher at the Middle School, beginning approximately September 11, 2018 through November 9, 2018 be extended to December 14, 2018. Mrs. Strang will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. If needed, the remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a

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Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. The Family Medical leave will not be counted for seniority or for longevity purposes.

10. The Maternity Leave of Absence granted at the August 29th meeting to Kathryn Albero, Cortlandt Manor, New York, as Elementary Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately August 30, 2018 through October 31, 2018 be extended through January 1, 2019. Mrs. Albero will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. If needed, the remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. The Family Medical leave will not be counted for seniority or for longevity purposes.
11. The appointment at the August 29th board meeting of Alejandra Aguilera, Port Chester, New York, as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Jennifer Mundo, Elementary Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately August 30, 2018 through October 31, 2018 be extended through December 21st, 2018 at an anticipated daily rate of \$125. The daily rate will increase to \$150 if this assignment continues past 60 working days.
12. The appointment at the August 29th board meeting of Michael Lupo, Port Chester, New York, as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Kathryn Albero, Elementary Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately August 30, 2018 through October 31, 2018 be extended through December 21, 2018 at an anticipated daily rate of \$125. The daily rate will increase to \$150 if this assignment continues past 60 working days.
13. Philip Chew, Greenwich, Connecticut, be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Giselle Ferraro at the High School, beginning approximately November 19, 2018 through March 15, 2019 at an anticipated daily rate of \$100. If this assignment continues past 20 working days, the daily rate will increase to \$125, and the daily rate will then increase to \$150 if this assignment continues past 60 working days.
14. The appointment at the August 29th meeting of Melody Rivera, Bronx, New York, as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Nicolle Strang at the Middle School, beginning approximately September 11, 2018 through November 9, 2018 be extended to December 14, 2019. There will be no change in her current rate of pay.
15. The resignation of Jasmin Martinez as Head Coach Girls Modified Basketball be accepted effective October 22, 2018.
16. Rescind the appointment at the September 25th board meeting of Danny Alvarado as Varsity Boys/Girls Winter Track & Field Assistant Coach.

17. The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2018-2019 school year:

Rosa Pena	Regents Review Teacher – High School	\$42 per hour
Peggy Conway	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Joseph Gilson	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Carlos Gomez	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Alexandra Sepulveda	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Alex Lepas	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Stephanie Watts	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Stephanie Darrow	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Crista Minicozzi	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Joyce Mannel	Regents Review Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Victoria Prashad	Environmental Club Advisor – High School	589
Anton Raskin	Ping Pong Club Advisor – High School	589
Stephanie Darrow	Drama Director – Fall Production – High School	2,984
Stephanie Darrow	Drama Director – Spring Production – High School	2,984
Katie Barnett	National Art Honor Society Co-Advisor – High School	206
April Dessereau	National Art Honor Society Co-Advisor – High School	206
Ken VanVlack	National Art Honor Society Co-Advisor – High School	206
Jesse Fernandez	Television Club Advisor – High School	725

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Michael Miceli	Rock Band Club Advisor – High School (corrected amount from 9/25/18 meeting)	\$1,125
Virginia Jadav	Ram Coding Alliance Co-Advisor – High School	147.25
Kristen Aberasturi	Ram Coding Alliance Co-Advisor – High School	147.25
Alexander Miller	Ram Coding Alliance Co-Advisor – High School	147.25
Richard Laconi	Ram Coding Alliance Co-Advisor – High School	147.25
Porfirio Gonzowitz	Freshman Class Co-Advisor – High School	309
Natalie Tejada	Freshman Class Co-Advisor – High School	309
Joseph Fontana	Gardening Club Advisor – High School	589
Alex Miller	Science Research Club Advisor – High School	589
Shante Pride	Step Club Advisor – High School	589
Maria Somers	Theology Club Advisor – High School	589
Jesse Fernandez	Tamarack Tower Literary Magazine Advisor – High School	1,501
Olivia Antonopoulos	Sophomore Class Co-Advisor – High School (amended amount from 9/25/18 meeting)	309
Victoria Prashad	Sophomore Class Co-Advisor – High School	309
Kristin Pascuzzi	Mentor – John F. Kennedy School – on an as needed basis	850
Peter Bermudez	6 th Period – Spanish Teacher – Middle School	7,000
Danielle Scicutella	Head Coach Girls Modified Basketball	3,253
Ann Rose Santoro	Head Coach Varsity Bowling	3,499
Melissa Piccola	Volunteer Coach Bowling	
Hank Birdsall	Varsity Boys/Girls Winter Track & Field Assistant Coach	3,128
Michael Desharnais	Winter Athletic Coordinator	4,000
Jonathan Plato	Assistant Coach Varsity Wrestling	2,383
Marilyn DiDomizio	ELL Systems for Success Initiative Team	42 per hour
Jamie Rubino	ELL Systems for Success Initiative Team	42 per hour
Melissa Cruz	ELL Systems for Success Initiative Team	42 per hour
Claudia Levy	ELL Systems for Success Initiative Team	42 per hour
Erika DelRe	Title III Virtual Professional Development Team Facilitator	42 per hour
Claudia Levy	Title III Virtual Professional Development Team Facilitator	42 per hour
Melissa Cruz	Title III Virtual Professional Development Team Facilitator	42 per hour
Jessica Kingsbury	Title III Virtual Professional Development Team Facilitator	42 per hour
Sean Kennedy	Title III Virtual Professional Development Team Facilitator	42 per hour
Esteban Guijarro	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Yvette Vera-Pignato	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Jessica Garcia	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Maryam Castro	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Marilyn DiDomizio	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Claudia Levy	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Adriana DiGiacomo	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Jessica DiGiorgi	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Carmen Rosario-Parker	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Diana Inga-Marino	Title III After School ELL, New Comer & Parental Engagement Programs	42 per hour
Joseph Gilson	Title III ELL Professional Development Leaders	42 per hour
Jeannette Sanderson	Title III ELL Professional Development Leaders	42 per hour
Allison Silverman	Title III ELL Professional Development Leaders	42 per hour
Melody Rivera	Breakfast Program Substitute Monitor – Middle School	23 per hour
Joseph Capalbo	Breakfast Program Substitute Monitor – Middle School	23 per hour

18. The following individual(s) be transferred on the Salary Schedule effective September 1, 2018:

Colleen Moore	Step 10-Level 6 (MA) \$84,796	Step 10-Level 8 (MA+30) \$91,241
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19. The following individuals be approved to serve as Substitute Teachers/Teacher Assistants/Tutors/Interns/Student Teachers/Volunteers on an as-needed basis for the 2018-2019 school year. They are either Fingerprint Cleared, “Grandfathered” in or on a twenty-day emergency basis:
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| Peter Mutino | Ana Mendoza | Bryan Suertegaray | Britani Griffin |
| Brunila Perez | Petagaye Morrison | Margaret Adamson | Amy Venusio |
| Brittany Rodgers | Joseph Fiumara | Emily DiSilvestro | Hayley Walker |
| Monique Martinez | Michelle Galdamez | Nileyris Sosa | Tierra Joseph |
| Kenneth Murphy | | | |
20. The following individual(s) be appointed Athletic Event Supervisor(s) for the 2018-2019 school year at a stipend of \$50 per school event and/or \$25 per hour for Tournaments, providing the individual is not a member of the coaching staff for the particular event:
- Joseph DeProssino
21. The following individuals be appointed to provide consultant services for the High School Band for the 2018-2019 school year:
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| Nicholas Coperine | Percussion Technician | \$900 |
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22. Richard Soriano, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Teacher Aide, 6 hours/day, 10 months, Grade I, Step 4, effective September 24, 2018. Mr. Soriano is New York State Fingerprint cleared. His assignment is Port Chester High School Special Education.
23. A promotional change of status be approved for Joseph Sutton, Port Chester, New York, from Permanent Cleaner, 12 months, 8 hours/day, Step 2, Port Chester Middle School, to Probationary Custodial Worker, 12 month, 8 hours/day, Step 1, Port Chester Middle School, effective October 30, 2018.
24. Dineen LaDore, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Registered Professional Nurse (School), 6 hours/day, 10 months, Step 3, effective November 13, 2018. Mrs. LaDore is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is Port Chester High School.
25. Diane Nasta, Bronx, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Office Assistant (Auto Sys), 7.5 hours/day, 10 months, Grade 2, effective November 13, 2018. Ms. Nasta is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is Port Chester Middle School.
26. Diana Garcia, Port Chester, New York be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10 months, \$12 an hour effective October 17, 2018. Mrs. Garcia is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is Park Avenue School.
27. Yennifer Sanchez Arias, Port Chester, New York be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10 months, \$12 an hour effective September 24, 2018. Ms. Sanchez Arias is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is King Street School.
28. Margaret Adamson, Port Chester, New York be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10 months, \$12 an hour effective September 20, 2018. Ms. Adamson is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is Port Chester Middle School.
29. Nicole Jones, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10 months, \$12 an hour effective October 29, 2018. Ms. Jones is NYS Fingerprint Cleared. Her assignment is Port Chester Middle School.
30. Jessica Rivera, Stamford, Connecticut be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10 months, \$12 an hour effective October 24, 2018. Ms. Rivera is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is John F. Kennedy School.

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31. Ana Linares-Sotolongo, Pelham, New York, be approved as a part-time Office Assistant (Spanish speaking)-15 hours weekly at \$19.62/per hour-funded by IDEA Grant, effective September 27, 2018-June 30, 2019. Mrs. Linares-Sotolongo is New York State Fingerprint cleared. Her assignment is the Special Education Office.
32. Philip Mutino, Rye Brook, New York be appointed as Data Entry-Curriculum Office, 10 hours/week for 23 weeks at a stipend of \$4,600, effective October 15, 2018.
33. After 28 years with the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District, the retirement of Joann Schmorrr, Teacher Aide at Thomas A. Edison School, be accepted effective November 1, 2018.
34. The resignation of Marcela Lucas, Lunch Monitor, John F. Kennedy School be accepted effective September 19, 2018.
35. The resignation of Yasmin Carcamo Herrera, Lunch Monitor, Park Avenue School be accepted effective September 28, 2018.
36. The resignation of Alex Forero, Lunch Monitor, Port Chester Middle School be accepted effective October 11, 2018.
37. The resignation of Milagros Polanco, Lunch Monitor, Thomas Edison School be accepted effective October 24, 2018.
38. The following individuals be approved as Teacher Aide Substitutes at a rate of \$12/hour effective October 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.
Peter Mutino
Eldaluz Gomez
39. The following individuals be approved as Clerical Substitutes at a rate of \$19.14 per hour effective October 1, 2018. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.
Yvette Solis (Port Chester High School Guidance Department)
Alison Mancheno (Special Education Department)
40. The following individual(s) be approved as Cleaner Substitute(s) at a rate of \$12.00/hour effective October 30, 2018 – June 30, 2019. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.
Harold J. Alexander
41. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$18,200.00, Schedule #5, dated October 24, 2018, be approved for the 2018-2019 school year.
42. The following warrants be approved:

	WARRANT #5	WARRANT #6	
	08/31/18	09/14/18	TOTAL
GENERAL FUND	185,290.29	1,243,422.35	1,428,712.64
SPECIAL AID	4,335.09	56,110.18	60,445.27
CAFETERIA FUND	900.00	5,617.04	6,517.04
TRUST & AGENCY	127,820.78	875,097.76	1,002,918.54
CAPITAL FUND	2,842.17	225,293.10	228,135.27
	<u>321,188.33</u>	<u>2,405,540.43</u>	<u>2,726,728.76</u>

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43. The following payrolls be approved:

	<u>PAYROLL DATE</u>	<u>TOTAL PAYROLL</u>
GENERAL FUND	08/31/18	\$ 341,290.39
	09/14/18	\$ 2,111,800.40
CAFETERIA	08/31/18	\$ 1,338.23
	09/14/18	\$ 1,338.23
SPECIAL AID	08/31/18	\$ 21,625.39
	09/14/18	\$ 86,212.57

JFK ELC Transition

Mr. Durney delivered a report and status on the JFK ELC transition for the 2018-2019 school year.

Bond Construction Update

Will Recce provided an update on the bond construction and project status.

Public Comment

Mrs. Brakewood opened the floor for public comments:

Jody Helmle, Austin Place, thanked Mrs. Brakewood and Dr. Kliszus for attending the Walk to School Day on October 10th. She also mentioned the Veteran's Day celebration scheduled for November 9th at 9:00 a.m. at King Street School.

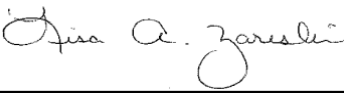
Blanca Lopez, 60 Rockland Avenue, spoke about the agenda item Facility Use And Fee Guidelines For School Partner Organizations and provided an update on the Volleyball Booster Club, which got off the ground this year. She also mentioned that the girls made it to the play-offs and thanked everyone for their generosity for their fundraisers. She said the Booster Club would continue to support the girls and the program.

Public comment was closed at 8:24 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

Upon motion by Mr. Wolff, seconded by Mr. Corbia and carried, the August 2018 Treasurer's Report was passed unanimously (5-0).

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PORT CHESTER - RYE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT							
TREASURERS REPORT							
MONTH OF AUGUST 2018							
		GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
BOOK BALANCE @ 8/1/18		7,879,800.61	134,990.84	398,187.52	29,278,934.01	235,618.75	37,927,531.73
RECEIPTS							
Tax Collections (Property, PILOTS, County Sales Tax)		469,061.00	-	-	-	-	
State & Federal Aid		671,863.71	-	-	-	-	
Health Insurance Contributions (Retirees & COBRA)		58,809.20	-	-	-	-	
Interest Earnings		6,652.57	98.68	464.12	45,269.62	75.51	
Miscellaneous Revenues		6,096.00	-	21.95	-	-	
Cafeteria Sales & Deposits		-	-	930.00	-	-	
Payroll Withholdings		-	-	-	-	416,471.90	
Interfund Transfers		-	200,000.00	-	-	-	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,212,482.48	200,098.68	1,416.07	45,269.62	416,547.41	1,875,814.26
DISBURSEMENTS							
Warrant #3		1,664,335.12	51,313.95	2,791.53	128,651.36	149,356.60	
Warrant #4		987,795.05	161,791.88	2,200.00	66,534.62	141,294.52	
Warrant #5		185,290.29	4,335.09	900.00	2,842.17	127,820.78	
Miscellaneous		-	-	-	-	-	
Payroll #3 - 8/3/18		413,792.52	-	-	-	-	
Payroll #4 - 8/17/18		393,771.21	-	-	-	-	
Payroll #5 - 8/31/18		388,521.05	-	-	-	-	
Debt Payment		-	-	-	-	-	
Interfund Transfers		200,000.00	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		4,233,505.24	217,440.92	5,891.53	198,028.15	418,471.90	5,073,337.74
BOOK BALANCE @ 8/31/18		4,858,777.85	117,648.60	393,712.06	29,126,175.48	233,694.26	34,730,008.25
	<i>Rates</i>	GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
Chase Bank	0.100%			105,035.27	768,497.42	7,548.97	881,081.66
TD Bank	14.10%	2,125,806.65				91,394.58	2,217,201.23
Peoples United Bank	12.60%	467,400.35	85,107.04			35.71	552,543.10
Webster Bank	12.30%	999,902.99				-	999,902.99
NYCLASS	18.60%	1,265,667.86	32,541.56	288,676.79	28,357,678.06		29,944,564.27
Franklin Tempelton (Scholarship Investment)						134,715.00	134,715.00
TOTAL CASH BALANCE @ 8/31/18		4,858,777.85	117,648.60	393,712.06	29,126,175.48	233,694.26	34,730,008.25
							
Lisa A. Zareski, District Treasurer							9/18/2018 Date

Approval of the Minutes

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Corbia and carried, the minutes for the September 25, 2018 meeting of the Board of Education were approved.

Acceptance of Donations

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci and seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried (5-0), the following donations were accepted unanimously.

- Donation of \$583.32 Wobble Chairs for Wiggly Kids – Donors Choose – JFK
- Donation of \$462 from Donors Choose for Wobble Stools for Class 4P – JFK
- Donation of \$1,932 from Donors Choose for Backyard Brains Neuroscience – STEM kits – High School
- Donation of \$2,000 Supplies and Equipment – PCMS Band Association – Middle School
- Mitchell Steel String Guitar valued at \$250 – Denis Ahearn – Middle School
- Flute valued at \$479 and Keyboard valued at \$119 from Roy Schaeffer – Middle School

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Action Items:

Upon motion by Mr. Wolff, seconded by Mrs. Capeci and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (5-0):

- A. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District hereby suspends that portion of Board Policy 2410 that states that no official Board vote shall take place on a policy adoption, change or repeal at the meeting when it is first presented to the Board for consideration, and hereby adopts the following policies after one reading:
- 0110 Equal Employment Opportunity, Sexual Harassment, Harassment and Discrimination, Prevention Policy
 - 0116 Sexual Harassment Policy for Students
 - 1510.1 Facility Use And Fee Guidelines For School Partner Organizations

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Russo and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (5-0):

- B. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District adopts the following Board of Education policy:
- 6690-E Audit Committee Charter

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Russo and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (5-0):

- C. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District appoints the following community members to the Audit Committee:

Joseph Lodato

Dana Builes

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Russo and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (5-0):

- D. RESOLVED** that the Board hereby appoints Louis Patack, Esq. as the Hearing Officer pursuant to Section 75 of the New York State Civil Service Law, with respect to Employee No. 1987, and authorized the Hearing Officer to hear evidence, make a transcript of proceedings and to issue a written report of his findings of fact and recommendations, including a disciplinary penalty, if any.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby suspends Employee No. 1987, without pay, commencing on October 29, 2018, up to the maximum permitted by the New York Civil Service Law during the months of the employee’s paid work year and then with pay during the pendency of these proceedings, if during a time when the employee would otherwise be paid.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (5-0):

- E. RESOLVED**, that the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District Board of Education hereby accepts the following donations as contributions to the transportation costs for Class Field Trips:

From	To	Amount
Park Ave PTO	Park Ave School Kindergarten	\$606.00
Edison School PTO	Edison School 4 th Grade	\$600.00

Consent Agenda:

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried, resolutions a-e of the consent agenda were unanimously approved (5-0):

- A. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approves the attendance to the following conferences as noted below:

	Name	Conference	Date	Amount	Funded
1	Francesca Fernandez	Building Leadership Capacity – Initial Training for Evaluators of Teachers	November 5-9, 2018	\$747.00 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
2	Virginia Jadav	Computer Science Teachers Collegial Circle	1/18/19, 2/14/19 and 3/22/19	\$618.00 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
3	James Ryan	NYS Athletic Administrators Conference	March 12-15, 2019	\$1,025.01 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund

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4	Chris Wolff	NYSSBA Annual Convention	October 25-27, 2018	\$790.61 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
5	Carolee Brakewood	NYSSBA Annual Convention	October 25-27, 2018	\$790.61 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
6	Edward Kliszus	NYSSBA Annual Convention	October 25-27, 2018	\$1,275.61 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
7	Ann Rose Santoro	ISTE Certification for Educators	January 28-29, 2018	\$750.00 + applicable tips and taxes	Grant Fund
8	Jessica Kingsbury	ISTE Certification for Educators	January 28-29, 2018	\$750.00 + applicable tips and taxes	Grant Fund

B. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education designating the following staff members to serve on the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education as listed below for the 2018-19 school year:

CSE/CPSE/504 Committee Chairpersons:

Megan Klatell Francesca Fernandez

CSE/CPSE/504 Sub Committee Chairpersons:

Megan Kaltell Francesca Fernandez

C. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approves the excess of the following district property currently located in the Curriculum Office:

Annotated Books Purchased for Parochial School Students New York State Textbook Loan Program	Quantity
Various Workbooks	9
Various Paperback books	10

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Purchasing Agent is directed to discard or sell the equipment in accordance with Board of Education Policy 6900.

D. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District, at its discretion and in the best interest of the District, elects to forgo the written quote and bid requirements in keeping with Policy 6700R – Purchasing Regulation and approve the contracted services agreements / memorandums of agreement for the following 2018-2019 school year professional service procurements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the president of the Board / Superintendent of Schools / Purchasing Agent is authorized to execute related contracts.

	Vendor	Function	Rate	Not to Exceed	Fund
1	Sylvan Learning Center	Federal Title IA Intervention Services for Eligible district students attending Corpus Christi/Holy Rosary School	As per contract	\$44,828	Title I
2	Gravity Goldberg	Literacy Consultant for Balanced Literacy Initiatives	As per contract	\$60,000 - \$2,000/day	Title II Title IV

E. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorizes the School District Treasurer to complete budgetary transfers and pay bill schedules and payrolls for all funds. Said transactions will be approved by the Board of Education at the first available board meeting.

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Board of Education Roundtable/Discussion

Mrs. Capeci went to the Homecoming football game and said it was so great to see everyone at the game - the parents, players, band and cheerleaders. She gave a shout out to Mr. Joseph Tirone, Class of 1980 and a retired full Colonel from the Army. He has been appointed as a United Nations International Ammunition Technical expert.

Mr. Wolff attended many events at King Street School and a Village Board meeting. He went to the NYSSBA Convention in New York City, where he studied topics such as educating the whole child and school safety.

Mr. Corbia spoke about residency verification and receiving two letters that he gave to Mr. Durney. He is keeping on an eye on Brewster and New Rochelle school districts and their work regarding verification. He said how great homecoming was with the football team, band and cheerleaders. He is looking forward to the Veteran's Day celebration at King Street School, a nice tradition that is attended by many veterans.

Mr. Russo said October was a very busy month with homecoming and recognition of the soccer team seniors and the bonfire. The Middle School Drama Club held several fundraisers. He gave a shout out to Mark Zizolfo who does a wonderful job with the drama production. He attended the high school TriM Honor Society Induction. He went to the NAACP Freedom Luncheon honoring Sharon Davis-Julius, Richard Conway and Francis Pride. He spoke about the groundbreaking ceremonies being tremendous. He attended the PTA/PTO Council Meeting where there was a great exchange of feedback and collaboration. He is working with Mr. Durney regarding the Child Care Council of Westchester as a possible collaborator with many resources for the school and after school programs. Ms. Elsy Gonzalez, PreK Director, received a grant, put together a committee and is putting out a survey to the community for their input.

Mrs. Brakewood attended the Wellness Meeting. A Farm to Table food in the cafeteria grant is being considered. Mr. Russo, Mr. Corbia and Mrs. Brakewood attended the Columbus Day parade where Mrs. Capeci was the Grand Marshall. Many of the board members attended the groundbreaking ceremonies at John F. Kennedy and King Street Schools. She participated in the Walk to School Day at King Street along with Dr. Klizsus, Mr. Durney, and several politicians. She spoke about homecoming. The can watch it on our website at Ram Watch – Spirit Week highlights. She attended the NYSSBA breakfast with Dr. Klizsus and Mr. Russo where Regent Johnson spoke. She went to the honor society inductions and spoke about how well the high school marching band is doing. She attended NYSSBA with Dr. Klizsus and Mr. Wolff where Commissioner Mary Ellen Elia spoke. She wished everyone a happy and safe Halloween.

Dr. Klizsus spoke about the meeting with the Village officials that he and Mrs. Capeci attended with other school administrators. They spoke about some new building projects noting that new developments that bring family and children prompt a compensation consideration for the district. There is a consortium of six districts who are the most underfunded that will work together and speak with legislators regarding foundation aid inequity. He spoke to Regent Johnson again and will follow up with her. She was very supportive, but was not familiar with the state wide foundation aid data he shared with her and Dr. Coles. This show that Port Chester is underfunded. Many districts want to know why we are so successful and how we do it, with two schools having received the Beating the Odds award. The Regents want to do a documentary on the District. Regent Johnson is a great advocate for all students

The next board meeting will be held at the Middle School at 7 p.m. on November 13th.

There being no further business at 8:51 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Corbia, seconded by Mr. Russo and carried (5-0), the Board adjourned the meeting.