

Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District
Board of Education – Regular Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2016 – Port Chester Middle School

Present: Robert Johnson, President; and Trustees Anne Capeci, Carolee C. Brakewood, and Christopher Wolff, Trustee

Also Present: Dr. Edward A. Kliszus, Superintendent of Schools; Maura J. McAward, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Joseph Durney, Assistant Superintendent for Grants and Personnel, and Cathy A. Maggi, District Clerk

Absent: James Dreves, Vice President

Call to Order

Mr. Johnson called a public meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting was promptly adjourned to Executive Session to discuss personnel. No formal action was taken and Executive session was adjourned at 6:54 p.m. The Board reconvened to public session at 7:02 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President's Opening Remarks

Mr. Johnson recommended that the audience read the Port Chester Middle School Rambler publication. All members of the Board of Education and Dr. Kliszus recognized students and staff for the following honors:

- Middle School Grades 5, 6 and 7 New York State Assessments
- 2015 All-County Jazz Band Ensemble
- 2015 Fall All League/County/Conference Selections
- Section 1 Athletics and the Athletic Administrators' Association

Port Chester Middle School Report

Patrick Swift, Principal, and Assistant Principals Christine Zidik, and Byron Womack, all of Port Chester Middle School delivered his state of the school presentation. Board members and Dr. Kliszus congratulated the administrators on the presentation and on the good work going on at Port Chester Middle School.

Report From the Superintendent

Request for Action

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mrs. Capeci and carried, the resolution was approved:

The Superintendent recommends action on the following matters. Resolved that

1. Juan Sanchez be granted a leave of absence from his position as School Counselor at the High School effective February 10, 2016 through February 9, 2017.
2. Juan Sanchez, New Rochelle, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Assistant Principal, at Step 3 (pro-rated) of the 2015-2016 High School Assistant Principal Salary Schedule, effective February 10, 2016 through February 9, 2020. Mr. Sanchez received a B.S. Degree and an M.B.A. from Iona College, and a M.S. Degree from The College of New Rochelle. Mr. Sanchez received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment April 15, 2008. His assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position. Mr. Sanchez' certifications are School Counselor, Permanent Certification, and School Building Leader, Initial Certification.
3. Jessica Kingsbury, Mahopac, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 6-Level 8 (pro-rated) of the 2011-2015 Teachers Collectively Negotiated Agreement, effective February 10, 2016 through February 9, 2020, except to the extent required by *Section 3012-d of Education Law. Mrs. Kingsbury received a B.A. Degree and an M.A.T. Degree from Manhattanville College and a M.S. Degree from Mercy College. Mrs. Kingsbury received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment February 6, 2016. Her assignment will be at the four elementary schools and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is the newly budgeted Enrichment Program position. Mrs. Kingsbury's certifications are Early Childhood (Birth-Grade 2), Professional Certification, Childhood Education - Grades 1-6, Professional Certification; and School Building Leader, Initial Certification.

* 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.

4. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Diantha Barone, ELA Supervisor - Grades 7-12 at the Middle and High Schools, beginning approximately February 24, 2016 through April 15, 2016. Mrs. Barone 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. 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.
5. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Kristen Gruner, as Music Teacher at the John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately February 23, 2016 through June 30, 2016. Mrs. Gruner 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. 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.
6. Madeline Rende, Port Chester, New York be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Kristen Gruner as Music Teacher at the John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately February 23, 2016 through June 30, 2016 at an anticipated daily rate of \$150.
7. A Family Medical Leave of Absence be granted to Brian Mulvihill, Special Education Teacher at the High School, beginning approximately February 10, 2016 through June 30, 2016. The Family Medical Leave of Absence will be paid at a .80 FTE; benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks. He will not advance in seniority nor will said leave be counted for longevity or tenure purposes.

8. The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2015-2016 school year:

Deborah Giacobelli	SAT/ACT Instructor – High School	\$42 per hour
Aaron Glazer	SAT/ACT Instructor – High School	42 per hour
Alexander Lepas	SAT/ACT Instructor – High School	42 per hour
Tamarla Crumpler	SAT/ACT Instructor – High School	42 per hour
Jeffrey Querfeld	Regents Grading Teacher – After School – High School	42 per hour
Jeffrey Kravitz	Regents Grading Teacher – After School – High School	42 per hour
Marc Latasa	Regents Grading Teacher – After School – High School	42 per hour
David Chepiga	Regents Grading Teacher – After School – High School	42 per hour
Lorraine Amaral	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Robin Bivona-Rocco	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Kelly Budde	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Wanda Cruz-Shenkman	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Aletta Eliseo	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Angela Flamio	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Christine Galindo	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Mirjana Lezaja	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Amy Simmons	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Barbara Terracciano	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Monika Vargova	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Ximena Aguillon	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Leslie DeLeon	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Melissa Cruz	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jessica Michaca	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Michelle Cardoso	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jennifer Villa	AIS/Prep for Success Teaching Assistant – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Michelle Capparelli	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Sandra Castillo	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Melissa Coletti	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Krista Williams	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jennifer Mundo	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Diana Gonzalez	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Richard Gregory	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Diana Inga-Martin	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Sara Minei	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Nadia Papa	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Vanessa Aspiazu	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Victoria Reichberg	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour

Yannyn Suarez	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Enrique Tovar	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Sean Kennedy	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Brenda Burke	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Nicolle Burke	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Kevin Hanlon	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Jennifer Jackson	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Sari Neckman	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Juanita Mitchell	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Melissa Pennino	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Maria Ruggiero	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Jeannette Sanderson	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Wendy Robins	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Jessica Goldstein	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Jenna Broems	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Corrine Terrell	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Felicia Knox	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour
Aida Velez	AIS/Prep for Success Teacher – Middle School	42 per hour

9. The following individuals be transferred on the Salary Schedule effective February 1, 2016:

Leidy Cuzon	Step 5-Level 6 (MA) \$70,403	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015
Jesse Fernandez	Step 3-Level 6 (MA) \$64,496	Step 3-Level 8 (MA+30) \$69,472
Kristen Fleming	Step 14-Level 10 (MA+60) \$116,226	Step 14-Level 11 (MA+90) \$123,487
Ashley Glod-Hayes	Step 13-Level 8 (MA+30) \$101,078	Step 13-Level 10 (MA+60) \$107,467
Jennifer Iasillo	Step 5-Level 6 (MA) \$70,403	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015
Lauren Martinez	Step 6-Level 8 (MA+30) \$79,142	Step 6-Level 10 (MA+60) \$84,847
Michael Miceli	Step 13-Level 6 (MA) \$94,033	Step 13-Level 8 (MA+30) \$101,078
Jennifer Mundo	Step 5-Level 6 (MA) \$70,403	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015
Melissa Pennino	Step 4-Level 6 (MA) \$67,451	Step 4-Level 8 (MA+30) \$72,868
Krysten Puzzo	Step 8-Level 8 (MA+30) \$85,421	Step 8-Level 10 (MA+60) \$91,303
Cenia Santana	Step 4-Level 1 (BA) \$58,178	Step 4-Level 6 (MA) \$67,451
Chanel Tillman	Step 8-Level 6 (MA) \$79,261	Step 8-Level 8 (MA+30) \$85,421
Maura Webb	Step 13-Level 8 (MA+30) \$101,078	Step 13-Level 10 (MA+60) \$107,467

10. The following individual(s) receive in-service credit, as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Semester</u>
Renee Marino	Differentiated Instruction: One Size Does Not Fit All	3	Professional Development Institute	Winter '16
Melissa Pennino	Philosophy, Principles and Organization of Athletics in Education	3	Rye Neck CSD	Spring '15
Melissa Pennino	NCA/NDA Sponsor Workshop	3	Northwestern State University	Summer '15
Chezdis Sanchez	NCA/NDA Sponsor Workshop	3	Northwestern State University	Summer '15
Jennifer Iasillo	Various Workshops	6	Windward/ASHA	2012-2015
Maura Webb	Various Workshops	3	Westchester Speech, Hearing & Language/National Speech Services	2010-2016
Jennifer Mundo	Best Tips for a Successful 4-6 Grade Classrooms	3	Professional Development Institute	Winter '16
Marcia Manzueta	Call to Leadership Program	3	Port Chester	Fall '15
Lauren Martinez	Educational Technology 101	3	Professional Development Institute	Fall '15
Carmen Vera-McStay	Various Workshops	1	Windward/Educational Institutions	12-13 & 15-16

11. The following individuals be approved to serve as Substitute Teachers/Teacher Assistants/Tutors/Interns/Student Teachers/Volunteers on an as-needed basis for the 2015-2016 school year. They are either Fingerprint Cleared, "Grandfathered" in or on a twenty day emergency basis:

Andrew Billups	Agnes Wojdyla	Monica De Moya	Stephanie Kazarian
Brooke Rea	Samantha Park	Junith Grant	Joshua Buffaloe
Allison Chadwick			

12. The following individuals be approved as Teacher Aide, Breakfast Monitor, Lunch Monitor, Hall Monitor or Clerical Substitutes at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective February 10, 2016 – June 30, 2016 unless otherwise noted. Said appointees may also serve as long-term substitutes, if and when required, at Step 1 of the Teacher Aide or Typist CSEA pay scales. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.

- Dawn Baxter at \$19.53/hour from February 9, 2016 – February 26, 2016
- Airam Bello
- Nicole DeLio
- Lucero Ocegüera
- Maria Pavon
- Pamela Tigani

13. Airam Bello, Port Chester, New York, be approved as a Temporary Lunch Monitor (3 hours/day, 10 months), effective February 21, 2015 – June 24, 2016, at a rate of \$10.50/hour. Mr. Bello is NYS Fingerprint Cleared. His assignment is John F. Kennedy Magnet School.

14. A Military Leave of Absence for Required Training be granted to Jarren Gooden, Custodial Worker, Port Chester Middle School, from January 20, 2016 through and including March 25, 2016. Mr. Gooden will receive full pay and health benefits from January 20, 2016 through and including February 18, 2016. The remainder of said leave, effective February 19, 2016 through March 25, 2016, will be without pay, however health benefits will continue and employee will pay his portion of the monthly premium.

15. John Como, Rye Brook, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as a Part Time Cleaner, 3.5 hours/day, 10 months, Step 1 (\$15.44/hour), effective February 10, 2016. Mr. Como is NYS Fingerprint Cleared. His assignment will be Port Chester High School.

16. Yasmi Velasquez, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10-months, effective December 15, 2015, at a rate of \$10.50/hour. Ms. Velasquez is NYS Fingerprint Cleared. Her assignment is John F. Kennedy School.

17. The resignation of Donna L. Sannicandro, Pound Ridge, New York, as Sr. Office Assistant (Automated Systems), 12-months, Port Chester High School, be accepted effective the end of business on February 16, 2016.

18. A change of status be approved for Marguerite Luzzi, Port Chester, New York, from Permanent Sr. Office Assistant (Automated Systems), 12 months, Curriculum Office, Step 10, to Permanent Sr. Office Assistant (Automated Systems) Management Confidential, 12 months, Curriculum Office, Step 9, effective March 1, 2016.

19. The Leave of Absence granted to Ingrid Orellana, Port Chester, New York, as Lunch Monitor (3 hours/day, 10-months), John F. Kennedy Early Learning Center, effective December 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016 be extended to April 22, 2016.

20. The termination of Janet Kramer, Port Chester, New York, as Lunch Monitor, (3 hours/day, 10 months), Park Avenue School, be approved effective February 19, 2016.

21. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$6,357.67, Schedule #8, dated February 4, 2016, be approved for the 2015-2016 school.

22. Warrant #20, including in-between checks, dated January 26, 2016, be approved:

General Fund	\$1,504,890.29
Federal Fund	201,709.42
Cafeteria Fund	128,930.26
Trust & Agency Fund	1,649,372.34

23. Warrants #21 and #22, including in-between checks, dated February 9, 2016, be approved:

General Fund	\$1,124,741.10
Federal Fund	73,411.90
Cafeteria Fund	3,508.61
Trust & Agency Fund	898,530.51
Capital Fund	39,463.55

24. The following payrolls be approved:

General Fund – January 15, 2016	\$ 1,936,704.68
General Fund – January 29, 2016	1,979,562.14
Federal Fund – January 15, 2016	86,053.14
Federal Fund – January 29, 2016	85,990.14

Dr. Klizsus invited Maura J. McAward, Assistant Superintendent for Business, to presentation the Office of the State Comptroller’s Fiscal Stress Score and Audit Report. The board and Dr. Klizsus commented on the presentation and thanked Ms. McAward for providing this information.

Public Hearing

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood, and carried, the Public Hearing was opened at 8:11 p.m. Mr. Durney presented the New York State Smart Schools Bond Act Preliminary Investment Plan 2015. Mr. Johnson opened the discussion for comment and input by the public. No community member opted to speak. Several board members engaged in a discussion with Mr. Durney on this topic. Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mrs. Capeci, and carried, the Public Hearing was closed at 8:26 p.m.

Public Comment

Phyllis McGuire, 340 South Regent Street, is a member of the Sustainable Alliance Group. They have a plan to help the schools. They requested it be presented at a board meeting.


Julie Baker, 45 Parkway Dr, who is also a member of the Sustainable Alliance Group. She is a graduate of Port Chester, wants to give back to the community and has been talking with many of the moms in the district and the overcrowding is real. She requested that the board listen to the Sustainable Alliance presentation.

Rose Meega, a seventeen year old resident, and an alumni. She requested support from the board in allowing the Sustainable Alliance Group presentation.

Marianne Albertell, President of the CSEA, stated that both sides negotiated in good faith to arrive at a mutually beneficial contract for the CSEA members, which was ratified 67-7. It is a good thing it wasn’t closer as she was so nervous she forgot to vote. She wanted to thank her committee of Diane Bencivenga, Gil Gordon, Chris Cassone, Geri Cusamano, Mario DeLio, and Maggie Morban. Thank you for your support.

Treasurer's Report - December 2015

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci and seconded by Mr. Wolff, the December 2015 Treasurer's Report was passed unanimously.

Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District							
TREASURERS REPORT							
December 31, 2015							
		GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
BOOK BALANCE							
BEGINNING OF MONTH		24,889,538.99	961,915.49	160,102.95	136,978.17	567,048.88	26,715,584.48
<u>Receipts</u>							
Revenues		1,107,180.26	631,453.66	153,818.72	4.08	10,651.63	
Interfund Transfers			283,618.18	183,578.32			
Sales Tax Receipts				75.58			
Reimbursement of Expense		420,652.67					
Accounts Receivable		745.14				908.26	
Total Receipts		1,528,578.07	915,071.84	337,472.62	4.08	11,559.89	2,792,686.50
<u>Disbursements</u>							
Warrant #16		771,880.35	78,873.07	178,739.20	11,820.00		
Warrant #17		946,880.35	231,208.10	1,020.00			
Warrant #18		908,644.22	119.84				
Payroll 12/4/15		2,133,491.06	84,309.80	3,360.57			
Payroll 12/18/15		2,141,480.12	83,618.18	4,839.12			
bank fees				80.00			
Debt Service		133,768.75					
Interfund Transfers		466,409.57					
Total Disbursements		7,502,554.42	478,128.99	188,038.89	11,820.00	-	8,180,542.30
BOOK BALANCE							
END OF MONTH		18,915,562.64	1,398,858.34	309,536.68	125,162.25	578,608.77	21,327,728.68
		GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
CASH - BANK BALANCES	Rates						
Chase Bank	0.030%		167,107.12	41,840.47	101,009.40	246,221.73	
TD Bank	0.020%	277,004.38					
Hudson Valley Bank	0.050%	2,476.75					
Webster Bank	0.120%	1,138,325.04	555,519.47			2,394.68	
PC Credit Union	0.250%					185,552.52	
Peoples United Bank	0.300%	3,186,419.27	315,006.17				
MBIA - C.L.A.S.S.	0.066%	9,236,663.05	361,225.58	267,696.21	24,152.85		
Scholarship Invest	various					144,439.84	
Signature Bank	0.300%	5,074,674.15					
TOTAL CASH - BANK BALANCES		18,915,562.64	1,398,858.34	309,536.68	125,162.25	578,608.77	21,327,728.68
		-	-	-	-	-	
						2/2/2016	
Coleen Kotzur, District Treasurer						Date	

Action Items

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried, the resolutions A-B-C were approved:

- A. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of Board Trustee Christopher Wolff, recipient of the New York State School Boards Association 2016 Board Achievement Award in recognition of continually striving to enhance his knowledge and skills in leadership development and school board governance.
- B. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of Board Trustee Carolee Brakewood, recipient of the New York State School Boards Association 2016 Board Excellence Award in recognition of continually striving to enhance her knowledge and skills in leadership development and school board governance.

- C. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of Board President Robert Johnson, recipient of the New York State School Boards Association 2016 Board Mastery Award in recognition of continually striving to enhance his knowledge and skills in leadership development and school board governance.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the resolution was approved:

- D. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the adoption of the following Board Policies:
- 5140 Entrance Age
 - 6300 Fund Balance

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mrs. Capeci and carried, the resolution was approved:

- E. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Pro Swing Athletic Training Center and the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District which defines and outlines the responsibilities of each in order to provide in-kind services to all students within the school district effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to execute said Memorandum of Understanding.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the resolution was approved:

- F. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the contract agreement between the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District and the Civil Service Employees Association Local 1000, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021 on terms and conditions defined in the Memorandum of Agreement, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the side letter stipulating on or before the last day of the 2015-16 school year, all unit members will be granted a "one-time" cash payment in the amount of \$750.00 that shall not be added to the salary schedule.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said Memorandum of Agreement and side letter.

Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Brakewood commented on how diligently both sides worked, especially under the fiscal restraints. Both the CSEA and Administrators were successful because the whole package concept was kept in mind. The vote for the 150 members passed 67-7 on January 26th. Mrs. Capeci thanked Marianne Albertell, CSEA President, who had been at the meeting earlier.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried, the resolution was approved:

- G. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the employment terms for Confidential Management Employees effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021.

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mrs. Capeci and carried, the resolution was approved:

- H. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District hereby approves the terms of a Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement ("SMOA") dated February 9, 2016, between the District and the Port Chester Teachers Association, as presented to the Board at this meeting, a copy of which SMOA shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the items A-I of the consent agenda were approved:

- A. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

WHEREAS, students and staff of the Port Chester Public Schools have distinguished themselves; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education endeavors to recognize publicly and honor its esteemed staff members and students for these successes; and,

WHEREAS, it is clear that the community is justifiably proud of these individuals; and

WHEREAS, these individuals present an exceptional and superior example for their colleagues, peers, and the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education expresses its sincere thanks, appreciation, and admiration for academic excellence;

AND NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education in meeting and assembled this ninth day of February, two thousand sixteen, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of its honorees.

A High Score of “3” or Higher on Two New York State Program Assessments 2014-2015

Grade 5

Francisco Aguilar
Kenneth Alarcon
Sanai Ash
Josselinne Ayavaca
Sebastian Barajas
Fatima Bautista
Kevin Cabrera
Jairo Carias
Rosa Chavez
Madeline Cole-Short
Eddy Criollo
Anahi Cruz-Sanchez
Kobe Deleg
Victoria DeSouza
Andrea Flores
Ashley Garcia
Elizabeth Gonzalez
Jason Gonzalez
Tyler Heckel
Daniel Hinz
Allyson Lunarejo

William Manos
Gabriel Maurad
Alexi Navichoque
Christopher Pascale
Jordie Perez
Ashley Reyes
Dylan Reyes
Jennifer Reyes
Elizabeth Richardson
Leopoldo Rodriguez
Noah Rotfeld
Siena Russo
Dyana Sandoval
Leena Sterr
Daphne Sullivan
Christian Torres
Diego Umanzor
Jose Valdovinos
Anahi Vargas
Carlos Vazquez
Milly Wong

Grade 6

Casey Basso
Brian Borja
Joseph Cardona
Jeancarlo Chajon
Jane Dominguez
Jesibell Espejo
Cindy Gonzalez
Julia Mae Greco
Abilene Guzman
Eswin Hernandez
Laura Hernandez
Steven Hightower
Gavin La Dore
Brenda Lopez
John Makowski
Brandon Molano

Robert Morel Batista
Nicole Morgan
Joel Oseguera
Matthew Oyervide
Natalie Panitkin
Charlie Pena
Chelsea Reyes
Julia Rios
Thomas Ross
Kayla Saavedra
Melina Santos
Sampada Subedi
Melissa Swift
Kimberly Torres
Paola Torres
Alexandra Vega

Grade 7

Alex Tone
Jeovany Argudo
Tolly Brakewood
Ashley Cabrera
Marcela Calderon
Jonathan Cisneros
Jindsey Co
Michael DiZeno
Casper Dobrowski
Nihil George
Megan Gleason
Corey Heckel

Tyler Langenbach
Alyssa Martinez
Karla Mora
Lesly Morocho
Efrain Ortega
Emi Oshiro
Kimberly Oyervide
Gianella Robles
Lyndsay Rosenfeld
Andrew Storino
Joseph Tapia
Katelyn Vo

5th Grade Teachers

Edison	King Street
Mary Jo Capuano	Marah Castiglia
Barbara Terracciano	Danielle Ferraro
Monika Vargova	Stephanie Pagnotta
	JFK
Park Avenue	Megan Cappiello
Jennifer Carriero	Jennifer Mundo
Vincent Fiumara	Vincent Fiscella
Jenny Maldonado	Linda Fortugno
	Richard Gregory
	Enrique Tovar

6th Grade & 7th Grade ELA & Math Teachers Middle School

Marilyn DiDomizio	Jenna Broems
Virginia Ellis	Brenda Burke
Ashley Glod-Hayes	Joseph Capalbo
Esteban Guizarro	Barbara Cohen
Alison Hembury	Laurie Halstead
Stephanie Mann	Janice Milano
Lauren Martinez	Linda O'Connor
Juanita Mitchell	Maria Ruggiero
Melissa Pennino	Paul Santavicca
Chris Zidik	Aida Velez
Donna Coffin	Johnna Sarcone
Sara Morabito	Corrine Terrell
Jessica Goldstein	

Leadership

Judy Diaz, Principal, JFK
Samuel Ortiz, Principal, King
Rosa Taylor, Principal, Park
Ivan Tolentino, Principal, Edison
Patrick Swift, Principal, Middle

B. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

WHEREAS, students, faculty and staff of the Port Chester Public Schools have distinguished themselves; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education endeavors to recognize publicly and honor its esteemed staff members and students for these successes; and,

WHEREAS, it is clear that the community is justifiably proud of these individuals; and

WHEREAS, these individuals present an exceptional and superior example for their colleagues, peers, and the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education expresses its sincere thanks, appreciation, and admiration for excellence and achievement;

AND NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education in meeting and assembled this ninth day of February, two thousand sixteen, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of its honorees.

High School All-County Jazz Ensemble

Samuel Brown – Trombone
Lauren Pellegrini – Trombone
Charles Simmons – Trombone

Teacher

Bob Vitti, Band Director, PCHS

Leadership

Dr. Mitchell Combs, Principal, PCHS
Ken Kraut, Music Department Chair

C. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

WHEREAS, students and coaches of Port Chester High School have distinguished themselves for achieving athletic and competitive excellence; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education endeavors to recognize publicly and honor its esteemed students and coaches for these successes; and,

WHEREAS, it is clear that the community is justifiably proud of these individuals; and,

WHEREAS, these individuals present an exceptional and superior example for their colleagues, peers, and the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education expresses its sincere thanks, appreciation, and admiration for excellence and achievement;

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**Section 1
All League Selections**

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Varsity Girls Swim
Marysol Chu

Varsity Volleyball
Jennifer Valencia

Varsity Cross Country
Leonard Pietrafesa
Yajaira Ramos

Varsity Girls Soccer
Cecilia Martinez

Varsity Football
Kevin Aguilar
Rayder Sanchez

**Section 1
All Section Selections**

Varsity Girls Soccer
Cecilia Martinez
Varsity Football
Kevin Aguilar

Section 1
All County
Varsity Cross Country
Leonard Pietrafesa

Section 1
All Conference
Varsity Football
Rayder Sanchez

Leadership

Art Tiedemann, Varsity Swim Coach
Kathy Federici, Varsity Volleyball Coach
Dan Alvarado, Varsity Soccer Coach
Paul Santavicca, Varsity Football Coach
Hank Birdsall, Varsity Cross Country

Robert Barrett, Athletic Director
Dr. Mitchell Combs, Principal, PCHS

D. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

WHEREAS, staff of the Port Chester Public Schools have distinguished themselves; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education endeavors to recognize publicly and honor its esteemed staff members for these successes; and,

WHEREAS, it is clear that the community is justifiably proud of these individuals; and

WHEREAS, these individuals present an exceptional and superior example for their colleagues, peers, and the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education expresses its sincere thanks, appreciation, and admiration for excellence;

AND NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education in meeting and assembled this ninth day of February, two thousand sixteen, hereby publicly acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of its honorees.

For Having Been Recognized by Section 1 Athletics and the Athletic Administrators' Association for Your Efforts in Contributing to the Success of the Port Chester Athletic Department

Marcie DeCarlo
Port Chester Administrative Assistant,
Athletic Administrators' Association Award
2015 Administrative Assistant of the Year

E. RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the recommendation of the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) designating the placement of these children within the Port Chester School District, Out-of-District placement, and transportation as needed for the 2015-16 school year. The file numbers of the children are as follows:

64208	64318	64352	64424	65035	65163
65169	64863	64989	65024	65025	64863
65157	65173	65175	65177	65182	

F. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorize the following budget transfer:

	Transfer To	Transfer From	Amount	Reason
1	A9950 990 00 0000	A1621 470 10 0001	\$143,123	Preventive Maintenance
2	H5031	A9950 990 00 0000	\$143,123	Edison Chimney Repair
3	A2250 410 10 4500	A2250 472 10 4525	\$25,000	Increase original purchase order
4	A8070 410 10 0000	A9060 860 10 0000	\$30,000	Residency Verification Services

G. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve attendance at the following conferences as noted below:

	Name	Conference	Date	Amount	Funded
1	Dr. Edward A. Klizsus	Council of School Superintendents 2016 Winter Institute and Lobby Day	3/6/16 – 3/8/16	\$1,233.14 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
2	Thomas Moravick (Revised – Date Change)	Implementing the New Social Studies Framework in Grades 9 & 10	2/11, 12 and 3/7/16	\$765.00 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund

H. 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 for the following professional service procurements in keeping with Policy 6700R – Purchasing Regulation.

	Name	Program	Pro-rated Rate	Term	Funded
1	TwoDot Consulting	Public Relations	\$2,400 Increase	2015-2016 School Year	General Fund

- I. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorize 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.

Board of Education Roundtable / Discussion

Mr. Wolff commented on the wonderful football dinner that was well attended. He attended the Open Door Meeting and also talked about Senator Gillibrand visiting Edison School. He also met with Mrs. Diaz, Principal of John F. Kennedy School to become more involved there. Mr. Wolff announced that the PCMS Band will be playing at a hockey game in Bridgeport, CT.

Mrs. Capeci stated she attended the Open Door Meeting with Mr. Wolff and reported on several items discussed at that meeting. Mrs. Capeci confirmed her position to not hire a research group to assist in further bond planning; rather she supports a community committee. She also attended the Football Dinner, along with the Middle School Play.

Mrs. Brakewood attended the NAACP meeting, along with the Wellness meeting, which was productive in educating each other. She gave kudos staff, cast and crew of the Middle School production of Into The Woods. Congratulations were given to the High School Varsity Cheerleaders and their Coaches Mrs. Chezdis Sanchez and Ms. Melissa Pennino who placed 4th in the Nationals in Florida. The Valentines Cabaret at the High School was also mentioned as coming up and being a nice evening. Mrs. Brakewood mentioned that she supports consideration of the research services that Dr. Klizus suggested to assist in preparing for the next building project.

Mr. Wolff mentioned that he is agreeable to the request of the Sustainable Alliance Committee to present at a meeting. Dr. Klizus suggested a copy of the presentation be sent to the superintendent to have our attorneys look at to decide if it pertains to education.

Mr. Johnson went to a Westchester Putnam Retreat and Legislation Action meeting. Discussion of ideas of lobbying for foundation aid. The discussion also involved taxpayers to get relief in several different ways including shared services.

The Board talked about the community partners and how the different partners help families. Dr. Klizus commented that he had been meeting with a group of passionate citizens and looked at their ideas for the building project. He is working on a paper survey that will be shared with the whole community.

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Mr. Johnson mentioned the MLK Celebration and the student performances. Open Door is helping families with lesser needs and a summer program to give children breakfast and lunch.

Dr. Klizus reminded everyone to sign the petition on line for more state aid; they had recently delivered letters to Senator Latimer and Assemblyman Otis. Dr. Klizus and Mr. Johnson would be going to Albany to separate conferences to talk to legislators regarding foundation aid. State has made a new commitment to community schools. They are coming here to see our model.

The next board meeting will be held on March 1st at the middle school.

There being no further business at 9:21 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Wolff, seconded by Mrs. Capeci and carried, the Board adjourned the meeting.