

**Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District**  
**March 5<sup>th</sup> 2014**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Port Chester Middle School**

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Present: Board of Education Trustees: Anne Capeci, Carolee Brakewood, Thomas Corbia, Jim Dreves, and Robert Johnson

Also Present: Dr. Edward Kliszus, Superintendent of Schools, Maura McAward, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Frank Fanelli, Assistant Superintendent Grants/Personnel; District Treasurer Coleen Kotzur and Yvette Segal, District Clerk

Absent: Frank Sisca, School District Attorney (Sisca Sisca and Associates)

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Mrs. Capeci called the meeting to order at 7:23 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**PRESIDENTS OPENING REMARKS**

The “Veterans Tax Exemption Resolution” will be put on hold. As per the New York State School business officials, the current resolution does not allow the school districts to discontinue the exemption if needed in the future. Therefore the Board has elected to hold the resolution until the issue is resolved.

Mr. Corbia highlighted winter sports for Bowling, Indoor Track, Wrestling, Girls Cheerleading, Girls Basketball and Varsity Boys Basketball.

Dr. Kliszus introduced Dr. Mitchell Combs, PCHS Principal.

Dr. Combs addressed the Board and community members and presented a PCHS School Report.

Ms. Capeci thanked Dr. Combs for an excellent presentation and allowed members of the Board to comment.

Mrs. Brakewood thanked Dr. Combs for a informative presentation. Ms. Brakewood made inquiries regarding the IB program.

Mr. Corbia wished Dr. Combs a happy 10 yr anniversary serving as the PCHS Principal and commended Dr. Combs with a job well done.

Mr. Corbia expressed faith in our students to support an Intel Science program in our schools should funding permit such a program.

Mr. Johnson congratulated Dr. Combs on a fine report. Mr. Johnson also commended Dr. Combs on Port Chester High Schools statistics and positive achievement numbers.

Mr. Dreves congratulated Dr. Combs on an outstanding presentation and inquired about community service for the students.

Ms. Capeci would love to see “Community Service” as a requirement for graduation.

Dr. Kliszus commended Dr. Combs for a job well done.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**None**

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**TREASURERS REPORT**

Upon motion by Ms. Brakewood, seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, Treasurers Report for January 2014 was approved:

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TREASURERS REPORT

1/31/2014

	GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS	
<b>BOOK BALANCE</b>							
<b>BEGINNING OF MONTH</b>	20,007,098.19	259,107.49	353,878.27	(119,863.08)	364,732.40	20,864,953.27	
Receipts							
Revenues	13,859,997.37	519,270.22	33,442.05	4.21	676,057.13		
Interfund Transfers		253,563.75	8,030.01	250,000.00			
Sales Tax Receipts	96,619.00		69.56				
Accounts Receivable	114,918.59						
Reimbursement of Expense	424,192.04				279.57		
<b>Total Receipts</b>	14,495,727.00	772,833.97	41,541.62	250,004.21	676,336.70	16,236,443.50	
Disbursements							
Warrant #19	2,306,277.38	49,488.71	121,679.00		1,258.00		
Warrant #20	979,333.05	55,067.01	115,872.07		482,956.82		
Warrant #21	850.55				221,530.24		
Payroll 1/3/14	1,918,755.41	78,708.83	1,863.47				
Payroll 1/17/14	1,955,290.92	86,804.83	3,864.10				
Payroll 1/31/14	1,979,780.77	88,050.09	4,165.91				
Accounts Payable	162,640.00		13,650.00				
Interfund Transfers	511,593.76						
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	9,814,521.84	358,119.47	261,094.55	-	705,745.06	11,139,480.92	
<b>BOOK BALANCE</b>							
<b>END OF MONTH</b>	24,688,303.35	673,821.99	134,325.34	130,141.13	335,324.04	25,961,915.85	
	GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS	
<b>CASH - BANK BALANCES</b>	Rates						
Chase Bank	0.100%	171,813.94	(61,215.93)	106,005.60	50,399.92		
TD Bank	0.200%	275,945.54					
Hudson Valley Bank	0.052%	2,474.34					
Webster Bank	0.170%	7,383,905.26	462,709.27		1,920.70		
PC Credit Union	0.140%				146,321.99		
MBIA - C.L.A.S.S.	0.040%	3,037,681.75	39,298.78	195,541.27	24,135.53		
Scholarship Invest	various				136,681.43		
Signature Bank	0.350%	13,988,296.46					
<b>TOTAL CASH - BANK BALANCES</b>		24,688,303.35	673,821.99	134,325.34	130,141.13	335,324.04	25,961,915.85
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*Coleen Kotzur*

Coleen Kotzur, District Treasurer

3/4/2014

Date

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**Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the minutes from December 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 were approved.  
 Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the minutes from January 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 were approved.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

**A. RESOLUTION TO RESTORE OUR SCHOOL AID**

**Whereas**, The NYS Deficit Reduction Assessment was originally instituted (in 2009) to reduce the State's \$10 Billion deficit, and  
**Whereas**, For the past three years this reduction has gone under the name Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) and has lowered state aid in our area by 16% on average by taking \$586 Million of owed State Aid education monies and re-allocating it to other areas of the State Budget, and  
**Whereas**, This State strategy to "seize" education dollars has happened at the same time that State-imposed financial demands on our school district have continued to grow, common core standards and new high-stakes assessments have been implemented, and the local tax levy has been capped, despite minimal State mandate relief and  
**Whereas**, The NY State Budget now projects a \$2.2 Billion surplus while schools across the state have already cut 10,000 teachers in addition to other personnel, programs & services which support our students,  
**Therefore, Be it Resolved that**, We the People demand an end to this grievous wrong by eliminating the GEA deduction from the final State aid calculation for every school district in NYS. The NYS constitutional right of our children to a "sound basic education" has been seriously compromised for too long. Eliminate the GEA and Restore our School Aid.

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

**B. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District award a transportation contract for the 2013-2014 school year as noted below:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the number of children, buses, vans, monitors, or cost approved in each contract is subject to change in accordance with New York State Education Law and Commissioner's Regulations.

<b>Allways East Transportation Yonkers, NY</b>	<b>In an amount not to exceed \$17,671.50</b>
Transportation of Port Chester – Rye Union Free School District students by Allways East Transportation, Yonkers, New York as follows: one student to The Summit School, Nyack, New York.	

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

**C. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District appoint Coleen Kotzur as School Deputy District Clerk for April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 2014.

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

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

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funded</b>
1.	Nick Mancuso Gareth Gibbs	New York State Public High School State Track and Field Championships, Ithaca NY	February 28 <sup>th</sup> – March 1 2014	\$ 444.96	General Fund

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

**E. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve and adopt the modified 2013-2014 school calendar and 2013-2014 12 month calendar.

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

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

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funded</b>
1.	Kathryn Albero	Teaching & Learning 2014	March 13-14, 2014	\$325.00	Grant Funded
2.	Kathryn Albero Jennifer Curti	7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Farm to Cafeteria Conference	April 15-18, 2014	\$720.88	Grant Funded

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

**G. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorize the school District Treasurer to pay General Fund, Federal Fund, Cafeteria Fund, Trust & Agency Fund and Capital Fund bill schedules, and Payrolls as well as complete budget transfers as necessary. Said bill schedules, payrolls, and transfers will be approved by the Board of Education at the first available board meeting.

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Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood items 1 -26 were approved with Mr. Corbia abstaining from item #12. The Superintendent recommends action on the following matters. Resolved that

1. Ginna Kippes having performed her duties in a competent, efficient and satisfactory manner be granted tenure as Mathematics Teacher at the High School, effective April 1, 2014. Mrs. Kippes received a B.A. Degree from Queens College and a M.S. Degree from Lehman College. Mrs. Kippes holds Initial Certification in the area of Mathematics Grades 7-12 effective September 1, 2009.
2. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Christine Alessi, Rye Brook, New York, as Elementary Teacher at King Street School, beginning approximately April 14, 2014 through June 30, 2014. Mrs. Alessi 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.
3. Alise Andreoli, Port Chester, New York be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Christine Alessi as Elementary Teacher at King Street School effective approximately April 21, 2014 through June 30, 2014 at an anticipated daily rate of \$125.
4. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Nadia Papa, Thornwood, New York, as Special Education Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately March 3, 2014 through approximately April 30, 2014. Mrs. Papa 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. Barbara Retta, Scarsdale, New York be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Nadia Papa as Special Education Teacher at John F. Kennedy Street School effective approximately March 3, 2014 through approximately April 30, 2014 at an anticipated daily rate of \$125.
6. Christina Townley, New Rochelle, New York be approved for a partial year leave replacement appointment as Elementary Teacher, at 98% of Step 1-Level 6 (pro-rated) of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective approximately November 4, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Ms. Townley received a B.S. Degree and a M.S.T. Degree from Fordham College. Ms. Townley received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment October 10, 2013. Her assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Ashley Glod-Hayes who is on a Maternity Leave of Absence.
7. The Maternity Leave of Absence granted at the February 11, 2014 board meeting to Mayra Sollazzo, Thornwood, New York, as Elementary Teacher at Park Avenue School, beginning approximately January 24, 2014 through February 24, 2014 be amended to continue through March 21, 2014. Mrs. Sollazzo 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 the leave shall be without pay or benefits and she will not advance in seniority nor will said leave be counted for longevity purposes
8. The appointment at the February 11, 2014 board meeting of Elizabeth Florencio, Brooklyn, New York as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Mayra Sollazzo as Elementary Teacher at Park Avenue School effective approximately January 24, 2014 through February 24, 2014 at an anticipated daily rate of \$125 be amended. This leave replacement will continue through March 21, 2014.
9. The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2013-2014 school year:

Melissa Piccola	Breakfast Program Substitute Monitor – Middle School	\$23 per hour
Diantha Barone	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Barry Backelman	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Maria Correa	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Max Guido	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Rosann Guido	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Santo Lagana	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Alex Lepes	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Patricia Rinello	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Estrella Quinonez	IB Extended Essay Tutor – High School	42 per hour
Lorraine Amaral	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Robin Bivona	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Jill Buchholz	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Wanda Cruz	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Rita dePozsgay	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Mary Durney	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Aletta Eliseo	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Mirjana Lezaja	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Marcia Manzueta	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Carrie Poulos	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Vilma Regueira	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Heather Rinello	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Amy Simmons	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Janine Skelly	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Ellen Telep	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Barbara Terracciano	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Monika Vargova	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Maura Webb	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Jeanine Zaccara	AIS After School Program Teacher – Edison School	42 per hour
Kate Albero	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Monica Barreto	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Luz Camacho	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour

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Michelle Capparelli	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Megan Capiello	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Michelle Cardoso	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jorge Carreno	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Melissa Coletti	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jennifer Curti	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Melissa Cruz	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Elizabeth Curley	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Leidy Cuzon	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Juliett Davis	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Maria Genovese	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Diana Gonzalez	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Richard Gregory	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jaimi Kennedy	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Lianet Lopez	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Sara Minei	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Cynthia Ponce	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	\$42 per hour
Christine Rascona	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Victoria Reichberg	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Barbara Retta	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Enrique Tovar	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Yvette Vera-Pignato	AIS After School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Fatima Barnett	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Staci Bernstein	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Danielle DiFiore	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Paula Ferraro	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Laurie Glockenberg	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Lori Huhne	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Patricia Johnson	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Jane Kowaleski	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Donna Murphy	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Maria Laina Sileo	AIS After School Program Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Elizabeth Florencio	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Randy Jacobs	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Georgine McManus	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Maria O'Brien	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Veronica Sanguino	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Michelle Santucci	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Marianne Scofield	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Larissa Torres	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Elsy Zizolfo	AIS After School Program Teacher – Park Avenue School	42 per hour

10. The following individuals be transferred on the Salary Schedule effective February 1, 2014:

Cristina Alampi	Step 4-Level 8 (MA+30) \$71,411	Step 4-Level 10 (MA+60) \$76,812
Krysten Astarita	Step 6-Level 6 (MA) \$73,360	Step 6-Level 8 (MA+30) \$79,142
Lise Barbara	Step 14-Level 6 (MA) \$101,867	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391
Lise Barbara	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391	Step 14-Level 10 (MA+60) \$116,226
Monica Barreto	Step 5-Level 6 (MA) \$70,403	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015
Peter Biscaglia	Step 10-Level 10 (MA+60) \$97,777	Step 10-Level 11 (MA+90) \$104,285
John Cafaldo	Step 12-Level 8 (MA+30) \$97,948	Step 12-Level 10 (MA+60) \$104,034
Julie Colangelo	Step 7-Level 8 (MA+30) \$82,270	Step 7-Level 10 (MA+60) \$88,074
Melissa Cruz	Step 14-Level 6 (MA) \$101,867	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391
Juliett Davis	Step 7-Level 1 (BA) \$65,267	Step 7-Level 6 (MA) \$76,316
Michael Desharnais	Step 14-Level 6 (MA) \$101,867	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391
Mayra Estrella	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015	Step 5-Level 10 (MA+60) \$81,613
Linda Fortugno	Step 7-Level 1 (BA) \$65,267	Step 7-Level 6 (MA) \$76,316
Kathy Franceschini	Step 12-Level 10 (MA+60) \$104,034	Step 12-Level 11 (MA+90) \$110,498
Jenna Garguilo	Step 3-Level 8 (MA+30) \$68,347	Step 3-Level 10 (MA+60) \$73,641
Carlos Gomez	Step 8-Level 6 (MA) \$79,261	Step 8-Level 8 (MA+30) \$85,421
Chris Kazim	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015	Step 5-Level 10 (MA+60) \$81,613
Chris Kazim	Step 5-Level 10 (MA+60) \$81,613	Step 5-Level 11 (MA+90) \$87,623
Matthew Kleiman	Step 10-Level 10 (MA+60) \$97,777	Step 10-Level 11 (MA+90) \$104,285
Marcia Manzueta	Step 12-Level 6 (MA) \$91,069	Step 12-Level 8 (MA+30) \$97,948
Manuel Martinez	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391	Step 14-Level 10 (MA+60) \$116,226
Yolanda Matos	Step 14-Level 7 (MA+15) \$105,963	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391
Yolanda Matos	Step 14-Level 8 (MA+30) \$109,391	Step 14-Level 10 (MA+60) \$116,226
Georgine McManus	Step 14-Level 10 (MA+60) \$116,226	Step 14-Level 11 (MA+90) \$123,487
Sara Morabito	Step 3-Level 8 (MA+30) \$68,347	Step 3-Level 10 (MA+60) \$73,641
Sara Morabito	Step 3-Level 10 (MA+60) \$73,641	Step 3-Level 11 (MA+90) \$79,349
Chezdis Sanchez	Step 8-Level 8 (MA+30) \$85,421	Step 8-Level 10 (MA+60) \$91,303
Marta Sandoval	Step 5-Level 6 (MA) \$70,403	Step 5-Level 8 (MA+30) \$76,015
Allison Silverman	Step 8-Level 8 (MA+30) \$85,421	Step 8-Level 10 (MA+60) \$91,303
Heather Temple	Step 7-Level 10 (MA+60) \$88,074	Step 7-Level 11 (MA+90) \$94,290

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Maura Webb	Step 11-Level 6 (MA) \$86,365	Step 11-Level 8 (MA+30) \$92,909
Stacey Wolff	Step 7-Level 10 (MA+60) \$88,074	Step 7-Level 11 (MA+90) \$94,290

11. 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>
Melissa Cruz	Singapore Math: Number Sense and Computational Strategies	1.5	Staff Development for Educators	Fall '12
Melissa Cruz	Singapore Math Strategies: Model Drawing for Grades 1-6	1.5	Staff Development for Educators	Fall '12
Melissa Cruz	Teaching Students with Autism: Strategies for Success	1.5	Staff Development for Educators	Fall '12
Melissa Cruz	Response to Intervention: Reading Strategies That Work	1.5	Staff Development for Educators	Fall '12
Jane Kowaleski	An IEP Roadmap	3	Dellecave Educational Institute	Fall '13
Mayra Estrella	Various Workshops	3	National Association Of School Psychologists And Other Associations	Fall '13
Lise Barbara	Using iPads to Transform Your Classroom	1	Professional Development Institute	Fall '13

12. The following individual(s) be approved to serve as Substitute Teacher(s)/Teacher Assistant(s)//Tutor(s)//Intern(s)//Student Teacher(s)//Volunteer(s)/ on an as-needed basis for the 2013-2014 school year. They are either Fingerprint Cleared, "Grandfathered" in or on a twenty day emergency basis:

Matthew Casey      Thomas Corbia      Gabby Gowdie

13. Maryrose Furci, Yorktown Heights, New York, having performed her duties in a competent, efficient and satisfactory manner be granted permanent status as Sr. Office Assistant (Auto. Syst.), Port Chester High School, effective March 5, 2014.

14. Lauren Celestino, Port Chester, New York, having performed her duties in a competent, efficient and satisfactory manner, be granted permanent status as Teacher Aide, Park Avenue School, effective April 3, 2014.

15. The resignation of Devin Livingston, White Plains, New York, as Lunch Monitor (3 hours/day, 10-months), Port Chester Middle School, be accepted effective February 6, 2014.

16. Manuel Sanchez, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a Probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor (10 months, 3 hours/day), effective March 6, 2014. His assignment will be Port Chester Middle School. Mr. Sanchez is NYS Fingerprint Cleared.

17. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Kristy Fiscella, Port Chester, New York, as Teacher Aide Special Education at Edison School, from March 25, 2014 through June 30, 2014. Said leave will follow Mrs. Fiscella's Family Medical Leave of Absence and will be without pay or benefits. Mrs. Fiscella will not advance in seniority nor will this time taken be counted for longevity purposes.

18. The Temporary Teacher Aide appointment of Christian Cassone, Port Chester, New York, (Maternity Leave Replacement) be extended through June 30, 2014. His assignment is Edison School Special Education.

19. Frances Ruello, Harrison, New York, be approved for a Probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor (10 months, 3 hours/day), effective March 6, 2014. Her assignment will be King Street School. Ms. Ruello is NYS Fingerprint Cleared.

20. The following individuals be approved as Teacher Aide, Lunch Monitor, Hall Monitor (when required) or Clerical Substitutes at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective March 6, 2014 – June 30, 2014 unless otherwise noted. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance.

John Martin (Effective 2/10/14)  
 Fran Ruello (Effective 2/4/14)

21. The following individuals be approved as Cleaner Substitutes at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective March 6, 2014 – June 30, 2014 unless otherwise noted. Said appointees may also serve as long-term substitutes, if and when required, at Step 1 of the Cleaner CSEA pay scales. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance.

Frank DeLio  
 John Martin  
 Emelio Stio

22. The following individuals be re-appointed as Part-time Watchpersons at a rate of \$12/hour Monday – Saturday and \$25/hour Sundays and holidays, on a rotating basis in 3-3.75/hour shift. Their assignment is Port Chester High School Field effective April 1, 2014 – November 30, 2014. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance.

Cleveland Alford      John M. Concha      Robert Grant      Anthony Fantone      James Hollis      Leonard Macri  
 Emilio Stio

23. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$81,710.20, Schedule #10, dated February 27, 2014 be approved for the 2013-2014 school year.

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24. Warrant #23, including in-between checks, dated February 27, 2014, be approved:

General Fund	\$1,293,093.32
Federal Fund	52,897.78
Cafeteria Fund	720.00
Trust & Agency Fund	154,627.72
Capital Fund	0

25. Warrants #24 and #25, including in-between checks, dated March 5, 2014, be approved:

General Fund	\$1,031,229.14
Federal Fund	32,249.09
Cafeteria Fund	635.00
Trust & Agency Fund	166,179.42
Capital Fund	0

26. The following payrolls be approved:

General Fund – February 14, 2014	\$1,776,002.87
General Fund – February 21, 2014	81,126.50
General Fund – February 28, 2014	1,741,876.18
Federal Fund – February 14, 2014	88,403.35
Federal Fund – February 21, 2014	1,000.00
Federal Fund – February 28, 2014	81,421.35

**2014-2015 Preliminary Budget Presentation**

Dr. Kliszus reminded everyone to complete the budget survey that is located on the District website. He presented the current results of the survey via slide presentation. Dr. Kliszus covered additional items concerning the budget such as the tax levy cap and Altria Commercial property change and their expiring pilot agreement.

Ms. McAward stated the Altria money is on the non-homestead side of the equation which means the tax levy will increase. The homestead properties will be taxed less which will be evident when actual samples are shown in a future meeting.

Dr. Kliszus continued the presentation with a list of lost programs and teachers due to budget cuts. Dr. Kliszus would like to see those programs back in our schools with restored funding and stressed the need for continued advocacy from our parents.

All Board members commented in response to the presentation.

**Board of Education Issues**

Ms. Capeci instructed to proceed with BOE roundtable.

**Board of Education Roundtable**

Mr. Corbia attended the “World Read Aloud Day” at Edison School.

Mr. Johnson mentioned the upcoming musical performances.

Mr. Dreves was able to join the “World Read Aloud Day” at Edison School. He also attended the JFK Illustrator/Author event.

Mrs. Brakewood attended the JFK Illustrator/Author event and she would like to see it in all elementary schools.

Mrs. Brakewood talked about the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students set to leave for Spain on an exchange trip.

Mrs. Brakewood noted the Safe Routes to School Workshop presented by the Rye YMCA and the upcoming Wellness Day.

Ms. Capeci discussed the canceled meeting for Starwood/United Hospital Site because of the snow.

Dr. Kliszus promoted the April production of Urinetown at Port Chester High School.

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 pm.