

July 28, 2015

Minutes

Present: Board of Education Trustees: James Dreves, Anne Capeci, Robert Johnson and Chris Wolff

Also Present: Dr. Edward Kliszus, Superintendent of Schools, Maura McAward, Assistant Superintendent, Joseph Durney, Assistant Superintendent, Cathy Maggi, District Clerk

Absent: Carolee Brakewood, Board Trustee; Frank Sisca, School District Attorney (Sisca & Sisca), Coleen Kotzur, Treasurer

PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS

Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Johnson changed the order of the meeting and stated we would hear from the Superintendent first. He spoke about the bond and made several points. He explained about how we cannot obtain funding from the State if we do not own the building. We are past the tipping point and need to build to meet the needs at hand. There is a need at the high school for classrooms, band and choral rooms and gym. The design is low profile and as such maintains the beauty of the school and has a minimal visual impact.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REQUEST FOR ACTION

The Superintendent recommended action on items 1-39. Upon the motion of Mr. Dreves and a second by Mrs. Capeci, the following actions were carried.

1. The resignation of Carlos Sanchez, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, for the District be accepted as of August 31, 2015.
2. The resignation of Greg Domestico as Head Wrestling Coach for the 2015 – 2016 school year be accepted effective July 28, 2015.
3. The resignation of Sean Zemylak as Assistant Coach Modified Football for the 2015 – 2016 school year be accepted effective July 28, 2015.
4. Maria Olivier-Flores, Ossining, New York be appointed Community Schools Coordinator at the Edison School effective September 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016. Her annual salary shall be \$72,642.
5. Diantha Barone, Valley Cottage, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as ELA Supervisor – Grades 7-12, at Step 2 of the 2015-2016 Supervisor 11 Months Salary Schedule, effective July 1, 2015. Mrs. Barone received a B.A. Degree and a M.S.T. from Pace University and a M.A. Degree from Seton Hall University. Mrs. Barone received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 1, 2011. Her assignment will be Grades 7-12 and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
6. Christine Galindo, Ossining, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 1-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Ms. Galindo received a B.S. Degree from St. Thomas Aquinas College. Ms. Galindo received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 4, 2015. Her assignment will be at Edison School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
7. Michael Torres, Bronx, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as ESL Teacher, at Step 8-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mr. Torres received a B.A. Degree from Drew University and a M.A. from Hunter College. Mr. Torres received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 6, 2015. His assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.

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8. Porfirio Gonzowitz, White Plains, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Social Studies Teacher, at Step 6-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mr. Gonzowitz received a B.A. Degree from Skidmore College. Mr. Gonzowitz received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 24, 2015. His assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. He replaces Edward Waite who retired.
9. Ann Rose Santoro, Greenwich, Connecticut be granted a one-year leave of absence from her position as Elementary Teacher to accept a one-year appointment as Literacy Specialist & Intervention Facilitator in the District at her current Step 14-Level 10 salary from September 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.
10. Vanessa Aspiazu be granted a leave of absence from her position as Teaching Assistant at the Middle School effective September 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.
11. Vanessa Aspiazu, Port Chester, New York be approved for a one-year leave replacement appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 1-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Ms. Aspiazu received a B.S. Degree from Queens College. Ms. Aspiazu received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 9, 2013. Her assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Ann Rose Santoro who has accepted another one-year position in the District. Benefits will cease June 30, 2016.
12. Jeffrey Kravitz, Mohegan Lake, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Social Studies Teacher, at Step 1-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mr. Kravitz received a B.A. Degree from SUNY Cortland. Mr. Kravitz received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 15, 2015. His assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
13. Idia Saldana, Bronxville, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 1-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mrs. Saldana received a B.S. Degree from the Fashion Institute of Technology and a M.S. Degree from Mercy College. Mrs. Saldana received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 16, 2015. Her assignment will be at Park Avenue School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Lucille Cappello who has accepted another position in the District.
14. Vanessa Vargas, Scarsdale, New York be approved for a four-year probationary replacement appointment as Special Education Teacher, at Step 1-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Ms. Vargas received a B.S. Degree and a M.S. Degree from Mercy College. Ms. Vargas received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment September 2, 2014. Her assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Cynthia Ponce who accepted a position as CSE/CPSE Chairperson for the District.
15. Stephanie Watts, Sloatsburg, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as English Teacher, at Step 5-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Ms. Watts received a B.A. Degree and a M.S. Degree from Pace University. Ms. Watts received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 27, 2015. Her assignment will be at the High School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
16. Gina Samaniego, Bronxville, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Special Education Teacher, at Step 5-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mrs. Samaniego received a B.A. Degree from the University of Rochester and a M.S.E. from The City College of New York. Mrs. Samaniego received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for

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Employment July 24, 2015. Her assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.

17. Aisha Lopez, Garnerville, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Special Education Teacher, at Step 3-Level 1 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mrs. Lopez received a B.S. Degree from Dominican College. Mrs. Lopez received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment July 27, 2015. Her assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
18. Heather Rinello, Port Chester, New York, be granted a one-year leave of absence from her position as Elementary Teacher to accept a one-year appointment as Literacy Specialist & Intervention Facilitator in the District at her current Step 14-Level 6 salary from September 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.
19. Jasmin Martinez, White Plains, New York be approved for a one-year leave replacement appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 1-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Ms. Martinez received a B.A. Degree from Binghamton University and a M.S.E. Degree from Lehman College. Ms. Martinez received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment September 12, 2013. Her assignment will be at Edison School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Heather Rinello who has accepted another one-year position in the District. Benefits will cease June 30, 2016.
20. Jeffrey Tascio, White Plains, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Teaching Assistant, at Step 3-Level 6 hours/day (B.A. Degree) of the 2011-2015 Teaching Assistant Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mr. Tascio received a B.S. Degree from Pace University. Mr. Tascio received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment June 30, 2015. His assignment will be at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. This is a newly budgeted position.
21. Allon Plummer, Port Chester, New York be approved for a four-year probationary appointment as Teaching Assistant, at Step 6-Level 6 hours/day (B.A. Degree) of the 2011-2015 Teaching Assistant Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015. Mr. Plummer received a B.A. Degree from The College of New Rochelle. Mr. Plummer received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment March 30, 2006. His assignment will be at John F. Kennedy School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. He replaces Vanessa Vargas who has accepted another position in the District.
22. Lucille Cappello be approved for a change in assignment from Park Avenue School to King Street School effective September 1, 2015. This is a newly budgeted position.
23. The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2015 summer program:

Jaimi Kennedy	Summer School Program Substitute Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	\$42 per hour
Veronica Sanguino	Summer School Program Teacher – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jennifer Carriero	Summer School Program Substitute Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Maria Laina Sileo	Summer School Program Substitute Teacher – King Street School	42 per hour
Jennifer Detlefs	Summer School Program Substitute Teaching Assistant – Middle School	42 per hour
Thomas Josephson	GradPoint Summer Credit Recovery Program Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Donna LaBella	GradPoint Summer Credit Recovery Program Teaching Assistant-High School	42 per hour
Chris Kazim	GradPoint Summer Credit Recovery Program Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Alex Lepes	GradPoint Summer Credit Recovery Program Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Ken VanVlack	GradPoint Summer Credit Recovery Program Teaching Assistant-High School	42 per hour
Lester Ramirez	Math Module Pacing Committee – District	42 per hour
Jenna Garguilo	Mentor Program - District	42 per hour

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The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2015 summer program (continued):

Kevin Hanlon	Mentor Program - District	\$42 per hour
Felicia Knox	Mentor Program - District	42 per hour
Lynn McTyre	Mentor Program - District	42 per hour
Karin Miletta	Mentor Program - District	42 per hour
Lucille Cappello	2-5 Science Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Maria O'Brien	2-5 Science Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Karla Purcell	2-5 Science Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Suzanne Rubenstein	2-5 Science Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Elzy Gonzalez	2-5 Science Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Lester Ramirez	K-5 Spanish Language Arts Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Azucena Gonzalez	K-5 Spanish Language Arts Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Jenny Maldonado	K-5 Spanish Language Arts Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Vanessa Sanchez	K-5 Spanish Language Arts Curriculum Mapping Team – District	42 per hour
Kevin Hanlon	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Jeannie Iantorno	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Sari Shuster	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Aaron Warren	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Donna Coffin	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Juanita Mitchell	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Melissa Pennino	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Virginia Ellis	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Jessica Goldstein	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Joseph Capalbo	Math Curriculum Mapping Team – Middle School	42 per hour
Alexander Lepes	Algebra 1 Collaboration Team – High/Middle Schools	42 per hour
Giselle Ferraro	Algebra 1 Collaboration Team – High/Middle Schools	42 per hour
Michael Desharnais	Algebra 1 Collaboration Team – High/Middle Schools	42 per hour
Kevin Hanlon	Algebra 1 Collaboration Team – High/Middle Schools	42 per hour
Ginna Kippes	Algebra 1 Collaboration Team – High/Middle Schools	42 per hour
Sari Shuster	Algebra 1 Collaboration Team – High/Middle Schools	42 per hour
Alexander Lepes	Algebra 1 Foundations Curriculum Mapping Team – High School	42 per hour
Giselle Ferraro	Algebra 1 Foundations Curriculum Mapping Team – High School	42 per hour
Michael Desharnais	Algebra 1 Foundations Curriculum Mapping Team – High School	42 per hour
Kevin Hanlon	Algebra 1 Foundations Curriculum Mapping Team – High School	42 per hour
Rosa Pena	Algebra 1 Foundations Curriculum Mapping Team – High School	42 per hour
Thomas Moravick	Regents Prep Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Christopher Kazim	Regents Prep Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Alexander Lepes	Regents Prep Teacher – High School	42 per hour
Michael Desharnais	Regents Prep Teacher – High School	42 per hour

24. The following individuals be appointed to perform additional Guidance duties during the summer of 2015 at the High School. Individuals will receive their contractual daily rate of pay:

Andrea Davis – 9 days	Maria Somers – 12 days	Marta Sandoval – 9 days
Juan Sanchez – 12 days	Stacey Wolff – 9 days	Denise Bonilla – 9 days

25. The following individuals be appointed to perform additional Guidance duties during the summer of 2015 at the Middle School. Individuals will receive their contractual daily rate of pay:

Elsie Del Pilar – 7 days	Louise Piccolino – 7 days	Raymond Sarcone – 7 days
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26. The following individual(s) be appointed to position(s) for the 2015-2016 school year:

Gaylene Gasparini	District Calendar Coordinator	\$2,000
Zachary Taylor	Assistant Coach Modified Football	2,538
Jamie Florindi	Head Coach Junior Varsity Volleyball	3,498

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

Name	Course	Credit	Location	Semester
Suzanne Archino	Enhancing Your Writing Instruction K-8	3	The New York Center for Teacher Development	Spring '15

28. The following individuals be appointed to provide consultant services for the High School Band for the 2014-2015 school year. Expenses will be reimbursed to the district by the Port Chester High School Band Association:

Amanda Scocchera	Guard	3,000
Carlos Beccera	Percussion	2,500
Victor Sandoval	Percussion	2,000
Matt Gurdak	Percussion	500
Michael Copolla	Marching	2,500
Larry Coleman	Marching	2,500
Madeline Rende	Marching	3,000
Juan Aguilar	Marching	2,000
Mitchell Guido	Marching	1,200
Anthony Masi	Music	4,200

29. The following individuals be approved as Cleaner Substitutes at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 unless otherwise noted. Said appointees may also serve as long-term substitutes, if and when required, at Step 1 of the Cleaner pay scales. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.

Jorge Caceres	Diego Nicholas
Anthony Colangelo	Gregory Parnam
Marcos DelPezo (Effective 6/22/15-6/30/16)	Giovanni Pena
Richard Giorgi	James F. Searles
Dashaa Gordon	John R. Stiene

30. The following individual(s) be appointed to the 2015 summer programs as Substitute Teacher Aide, at a rate of \$10.50/hour effective July 1, 2015 – August 21, 2015:

Ann Rich

31. Yvette Surita, Thornwood, New York, be approved as Sr. Office Assistant (Auto. Syst.) Spanish Speaking for Summer Central Registration at her current hourly rate, 1-3 hours/week, effective July 1, 2015 – August 30, 2015. Her assignment will be in the Curriculum Office.

32. A change of status be approved for Michael Lupo, Port Chester, New York, from Temporary Teacher Aide, Step 1, Grade I to Probationary Teacher Aide, Step 2, Grade I, effective September 1, 2015. His assignment will be at John F. Kennedy's Early Learning Center.

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33. Additional summer hours be granted for the following 10-month employees at their contracted daily/hourly rate of pay:

Barbara Lewensohn – Superintendent’s Office 10 additional days (total days not to exceed 20)
Joann Pace – JFK Upper Building 10 additional days (total days not to exceed 20)

34. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$1,000 Schedule #1, dated July 22, 2015, be approved for the 2015-2016 school.

35. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$238,733.01 Schedule #14, dated July 23, 2015, be approved for the 2014-2015 school.

36. Warrant #36, including in-between checks, dated June 30, 2015, be approved:

General Fund	\$177,930.11
Federal Fund	49,619.52
Cafeteria Fund	6,020.41
Trust & Agency Fund	2,196,121.43

37. Warrant #1, including in-between checks, dated July 14, 2015, be approved:

General Fund	\$1,463,861.15
Federal Fund	31,235.00
Cafeteria Fund	4,436.01

38. Warrant #2, including in-between checks, dated July 28, 2015, be approved:

General Fund	\$247,446.61
Federal Fund	12,667.22
Cafeteria Fund	117,696.98
Trust & Agency Fund	17,756.57

39. The following payrolls be approved:

General Fund – June 25, 2015	\$1,914,129.00
General Fund – June 25, 2015	3,377,337.27
General Fund – July 2, 2015	247,822.79
General Fund – July 17, 2015	35,811.65
Federal Fund – June 25, 2015	93,530.44
Federal Fund – June 25, 2015	163,503.96
Federal Fund – July 2, 2015	3,738.04
Federal Fund – June 17, 2015	31,013.71

Mr. Johnson called a brief recess.

PRESENTATION OF THE TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Joseph Durney, Assistant Superintendent, presented the Technology Plan for the District.

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PRE-BOND PRESENTATION

Joseph Fuller, Fuller & D'Angelo Architects, presented the Pre-Bond Presentation. This was followed by comments from Mr. Swift, Principal, Middle School, Dr. Combs, Principal, High School and Dr. Kliszus, Superintendent of Schools.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Johnson stated that the sincerest form of respect is listening. Wise actions are the fruit of life. He asked for polite public discussion and for speakers to address comments to the Board.

Flo Ann Merleary, Village Green commented that she liked the bond project ideas. She stated that renters do not pay taxes and thereby contribute. She suggested splits sessions for the high school.

Bea Conetta, 660 King Street, said that education is a top priority and that it is a great profession to be a teacher. She does not feel that the community can afford the bond proposal right now and cited foreclosures in the village. She was born and raised here. She asked if the Board do this without raising taxes?

Tom Ceruzzi, 84 Hobart Avenue, talked about having a census taken. He said that Mr. Fuller did his homework. He talked about other options that were discussed earlier that maybe should be looked at again. Plan B should be an alternative for people to vote on.

Dan Telep, Renshaw Place, talked about looking at other possible alternatives. The cost went from 30 million to 65 million. He wants every child re-registered. Mr. Fuller did a great job. We can't afford it and won't support it.

Tom Corbia, 365 Putnam Avenue. He thanked everyone in Port Chester. He is not against the Bond or is not for the Bond. There is not information out there. He said that he was not in the bushes watching for out of state license plates.

Arnold Lori, 60 Upland Street, requested a discount on his taxes even though he has school aged children at home. His solution to the overcrowding is one word - tuition, tuition, tuition.

Public Comment was closed and a short recess was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon the motion of Mrs. Capeci and a second by Mr. Dreves and carried, the Minutes of the June 23, 2015 Board of Education meeting were approved by the Board.

Upon the motion of Mr. Dreves and a second by Mrs. Capeci and carried, the Minutes of the June 24, 2015 Special meeting and the Minutes of the July 1, 2015 Special meeting were approved by the Board.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

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TREASURERS REPORT

6/30/2015

	GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
BOOK BALANCE						
BEGINNING OF MONTH	28,791,617.04	1,392,599.52	288,238.80	39,606.67	506,587.62	31,018,649.65
Receipts						
Revenues	1,950,857.64	236,952.59	195,200.12	2.22	17,988.58	
Interfund Transfers		74,913.12				
Sales Tax Receipts			51.05			
Student Activity Receipts					31,173.50	
def rev	118,191.08					
a/r	2,489.16				1,888.52	
Void Checks						
Reimbursement of Expense	543,602.48					
Total Receipts	2,615,140.36	311,865.71	195,251.17	2.22	51,050.60	3,173,310.06
Disbursements						
Warrant #34	1,151,046.59	33,582.96	840.49		14,373.64	
Warrant #35	2,021,304.92	81,885.31	178,322.65		23,647.28	
Warrant #36	177,930.11	49,619.52	6,020.41		100.00	
Warrant #37						
Payroll 6/5/15	2,107,286.74	90,601.13	4,353.00			
Payroll 6/12/15 longevity	107,130.48	600.00	300.00			
Payroll 6/25/15	2,165,272.36	93,530.44	5,610.45			
Payroll 6/25/15 Multiple	3,811,715.56	163,503.96				
prepaid expense						
a/p						
Debt Payment	2,501,850.98					
Interfund Transfers			160,830.00			
Total Disbursements	14,043,537.74	513,323.32	356,277.00	-	38,120.92	14,951,258.98
BOOK BALANCE						
END OF MONTH	17,363,219.66	1,191,141.91	127,212.97	39,608.89	519,517.30	19,240,700.73
	GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
CASH - BANK BALANCES	Rates					
Chase Bank	0.100%	167,086.15	44,525.81	15,461.61	197,212.65	

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TD Bank	0.200%	276,772.27					
Hudson Valley Bank	0.049%	2,476.22					
Webster Bank	0.230%	299,480.81	410,635.07			2,328.47	
PC Credit Union	0.250%					179,828.60	
MBIA - C.L.A.S.S.	0.040%	2,720,211.82	613,420.69	82,687.16	24,147.28		
Scholarship Invest	VARIOUS					140,147.58	
Signature Bank	0.400%	14,064,278.54					
TOTAL CASH - BANK BALANCES		17,363,219.66	1,191,141.91	127,212.97	39,608.89	519,517.30	19,240,700.73



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Coleen Kotzur, District Treasurer Date

Upon the motion of Mrs. Capeci and a second by Mr. Dreves and carried, the Treasurer's Report of June 2015 Board of Education meeting were approved by the Board.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon the motion of Mr. Dreves and a second by Mrs. Capeci and carried, Resolutions 8 A through F were approved by the Board.

A. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the following Transportation Contracts for the 2015-2016 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contracts. 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.

County Coach Corporation, Rye, NY	In an amount not to exceed \$1,429,638
Transportation of four hundred eighty-one Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District students with nine monitors to, Stepinac High School, Our Lady of Sorrows, Resurrection Grammar and Middle Schools, Greenwich Catholic, Ursuline, Iona Preparatory High School, Iona Grammar, Greenwich Academy, Brunswick, Sacred Heart, Maria Regina, Trinity Catholic, Salesian High School, Blessed Sacrament, Holy Child, German School, Rye Country Day, Windward School, Thornton Donovan, Whitby School, Eagle Hill School, French American School, Occupational Education (Valhalla BOCES), Pocantico Hills Central School District, and all Port Chester Public Schools in an amount not to exceed \$1,429,638 .	

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- B. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District amends Resolution L dated June 23, 2015 for Summer Transportation Contract for Allways East for the 2015-2016 school year as restated below. All other items in resolution L remain as approved on June 23, 2015.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following Summer Transportation Contracts for the 2015-2016 school year as noted below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contracts. 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.

Allways East Transportation Yonkers, NY	In an amount not to exceed \$85,668.70
<p>Transportation of Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District students as follows: four students to Ardsley Union Free School District in an amount of \$2,691.20; four students to St. Matthews Church in an amount of \$3,277; five students and two monitors to The Clear View School in an amount of \$9,300; one student and one monitor to Eastchester Union Free School District in an amount of \$2,943.50; four students and one monitor to Mt. Pleasant Central, Mt. Pleasant Cottage in an amount of \$7,275; one wheelchair student and one monitor to New Rochelle City School District in an amount of \$5,075; one student to Westchester Exceptional Children in an amount of \$4,650; three wheelchair/handicap students and one monitor to Cerebral Palsy of Westchester in an amount of \$3,465; one wheelchair student, five students and one monitor to SW BOCES Rye Lake Campus (White Plains) in an amount of \$4,872; one student and one monitor to Andrus School in an amount of \$4,740; two wheelchair students, one student and one monitor to PNW BOCES (Pinesbridge/Walden) in an amount of \$5,250; one student and one monitor to Mamaroneck /Rye Neck Schools in an amount of \$6,380; one student and one monitor to Village of Tarrytown Schools in an amount of \$8,265, one student to Dobbs Ferry Schools in an amount of \$6,450; and forty-five students and two monitors to Port Chester Middle School in an amount of \$11,035.</p>	

- C. 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	Joseph Gilson	IB Diploma Program Teacher Training for History	from June 25, 2015 through June 28, 2015	\$2,824.80 plus applicable taxes & tips	General Fund
2	Max Guido	IB Diploma Program Teacher Training for Biology SL	July 7, 2015 through July 9, 2015	\$1,261.82 plus applicable taxes & tips	General Fund
3	Rosann Guido	IB Diploma Program Teacher Training for Biology SL	July 7, 2015 through July 9, 2015	\$673.70 plus applicable taxes & tips	General Fund

- D. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District appoint Luke Sotherden as Title VII Officer and Title IX Officer for the purpose of investigating and reporting on the matter related to Employees # 1118, #1406 and #3597.

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- E. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District award the following competitive bid as noted below:

Award To	Description	Amount	Basis for award
Red's Garage	Vehicle Repair & Service	Various Amounts	Lowest Bid

- F. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve entering into an agreement with Health Network for School District Health and Safety commencing on July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015 at the cost of \$5,000.

DONATIONS/CORRESPONDANCE

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Dreves and carried, the following donation was accepted by the Board.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby accepts a donation to the district from the National Football League in the amount of \$3,000 in equipment for use by the athletic department.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Dreves and carried, the following donation was accepted by the Board.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby accepts a donation from the Dalio Family Foundation, in the amount of \$14,296 to purchase 22 sorting bins for use by the students at the Port Chester Middle School.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Wolff and carried, the following donation was accepted by the Board.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby accepts a donation of 2,500 library books for the students at the Port Chester Middle School from KPMG International.

Mrs. Capeci asked if books are bought without the approval of the principal and staff. There was reassurance that the books would all have prior approval.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Dreves and carried, the following amended donation from the May 5, 2015 Board Meeting was accepted by the Board.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby accepts the amended donation of Thomas and Penny Jackson in the amount of \$18,000 to fund the STEM immersion program at the Port Chester Middle School.

Upon the motion of Ms. Capeci and a second by Mr. Dreves and carried, the following amended donation from the May 5, 2015 Board Meeting was accepted by the Board.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby accepts the amended donation of Gerry Ohrstrom in the amount of \$12,000 to fund the STEM immersion program at the Port Chester Middle School.

Mr. Johnson explained that the term STEM represents Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. There were wonderful projects that were seen as part of this program at the Middle School.

July 28, 2015

Minutes

BOARD OF EDUCATION ROUNDTABLE/DISCUSSION

Mr. Dreves noted emails he received from the Blind Brook Trustees and how they wanted to have a meeting with the Port Chester Board of Education.

Mrs. Capeci suggested that the Blind Brook board wanted to know about the plans for the Middle School in Rye Brook. She suggested that Sgt. Arnold on the traffic commission be part of the discussions.

Mr. Dreves said that the first presentation of the Bond project was well done. He asked those watching to view it with a grain of salt. At the August meeting, there will be more information provided.

Mrs. Capeci went to funeral mass for Paul Domestico, Greg Domestico's mother. The eulogy was based on a letter from a student who she had affected in a positive way. The child went on to become an Assistant Principal in New York City. We are in the business of children and education. There was a lot of emotion tonight. People came here who have lived in the village all their lives and care about the Village.

Mr. Wolff said the more communication the better. Neighbors stop him and ask him questions. We need to have lines of communication and to do what is right for the students. He attended the New York State Schools Board Association Summer Law Conference where testing requirements and new tenure laws were discussed. There are laws and the village is doing their job. The quality of education cannot be sacrificed because of facilities.

Mr. Johnson said that the Board is being put on task and that people should not be afraid to ask questions. The continued success of the schools depends on space. More information will follow. The focus needs to be on the children.

Mr. Johnson also talked about an anti-bullying pilot program that was looked at and will be presented to administrators in August.

Dr. Kliszus said more information is needed on the bond and that this is an on-going process. There has been great demand from parents to improve the athletics program. Some sports cannot be offered because of practice time and field availability. We cannot hold championship games. We have the finest band organization but no band room. The bond was based on what we heard from the community. The board has a responsibility to the community. Current bond is expiring and the current \$400,000 rent would no longer exist.

Mr. Dreves said that every child in the system would benefit and the buildings would benefit the children coming up.

Mrs. Capeci also indicated that we would be building on our land.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.