

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
POCANTICO HILLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
599 Bedford Road
Pocantico Hills
Sleepy Hollow, New York 10591**

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 31, 2012

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Pocantico Hills Central School District was held on Tuesday, July 31 at 6:01 p.m. in the school Library, Bedford Road, Sleepy Hollow, New York.

On a motion by Trustee David Wilens and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education opened the regular meeting at 6:01 p.m. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). **REGULAR MEETING**

On a motion by Trustee Emily Segal and seconded by Vice President David Wilens the Board of Education called the Executive Session to order at 6:02 p.m. to discuss the employment history of a particular individual. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Present: John Conrad, President
David Wilens, Vice President
Joan Cusanelli, Trustee
Fred Rickles, Trustee
Emily Segal, Trustee **ROLL CALL**

Also Present: Dr. Valencia Douglas, Superintendent
Jay Scotto-Friedman, Assistant Superintendent

On a motion by Trustee Emily Segal and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education adjourned the Executive Session at 8:04 p.m. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0). **ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

With no objection from the Board, Board President, John Conrad, called the Regular meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by District Clerk, Gina L. Downes. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Present: John Conrad, President
David Wilens, Vice President
Emily Segal, Trustee
Fred Rickles, Trustee
Joan Cusanelli, Trustee **ROLL CALL**

Also Present: Valencia F. Douglas, Superintendent
Jay Scotto-Friedman, Assistant Superintendent
Gina L. Downes, District Clerk

Hearing From Those Present: There were no comments from the community. **HEARING FROM THOSE PRESENT**

Correspondence: A letter was read from a community member regarding school signage near the school. The letter will be attached to the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Board/Superintendent Announcements: Superintendent Douglas announced the following:

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

The summer camp has had a great season so far. The camp show will be held on Wednesday, August 1 (rain or shine) at 7:00 p.m. There is also a dive team meet on Wednesday at the pool and on Saturday, August 4, Pocantico will be hosting the Championships Swim and Dive teams.

President John Conrad read a letter from Lisa Davis, Executive Director of Westchester Putnam School Boards Association, regarding the veto of a reimbursement bill for special needs children to private schools. The letter will be attached to the minutes.

Personnel: On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education voted and approved the following personnel by consent. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

PERSONNEL
Resignation, Appointments,
Termination

1. Resignation:

Name: Kelly Owen
Effective Date: July 13, 2012
Title: School Monitor/Summer Camp

2. Appointments:

Name: LindaGay Harmon
Title: Registered Professional Nurse (School)
Effective Date: 8/27/12
Rate: Step 10 PHTA Bargaining Agreement Registered Nurse Schedule \$64,691
Probation: 52 Week

Name: Illana Brennan
Title/Certification: Home Economics/Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6
Effective Date: September 1, 2012 – June 30, 2015
Contract Salary: MA 60 Step 3 \$77,278
Prorated Salary: \$44,435
FTE: .575

This employee was appointed with a .5 FTE on July 9, 2012. The FTE has been increased to provide for three periods per week to teach students of the BOCES program occupying rented space within the school building for the 2012-2013 school year.

Summer Camp Appointments 2012

Term: July 2, 2012 - August 10, 2012
Name: Maureen Kringas
Amount: \$200 per overnight
Title: Camp Nurse

CIT (unpaid – volunteers)

Fernanda Cabrera
Jacqueline Muniz
Billy Schiavone
Ishan Tewari
Frank Tirri

Pool Appointments 2012:

Name Tommy Gallery
Rate: 7.75/hour
Term: July 1, 2012 – September 16, 2012
Title: Lifeguard

Name Brandon Castro
Rate: 7.75/hour
Term: July 1, 2012 – September 16, 2012
Title: Lifeguard

Name Frankie Tirri
Rate: 7.75/hour
Term: July 1, 2012 – September 16, 2012
Title: Lifeguard

Name Nick Schmidt
Rate: 7.75/hour
Term: July 1, 2012 – September 16, 2012
Title: Lifeguard

Name Josh Joy
Rate: 12.00/hour
Term: July 1, 2012 – September 16, 2012
Title: Head Guard

Denial of clearance or conditional clearance from the Commissioner of Education shall result in immediate termination of employment for the appointment listed above.

3. Termination:

Name: D'onna Pottillo
Title: Junior Camp Counselor
Effective Date: July 25, 2012

This employee was appointed on June 5, 2012.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Trustee Fred Rickles and seconded by Trustee Joan Cusanelli the Board of Education voted and approved by consent the minutes of the Special Meeting of July 5, 2012, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 9, 2012 and the minutes of the Reorganization meeting of July 9, 2012. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
July 5, 2012, July 9, 2012
(Regular and Reorganization)

Policy Review: The Board of Education had a brief discussion on the policies to be reviewed. The policies will be brought back for a second

NEW BUSINESS
Policy Review

reading on September 4, 2012.

Summer 2012 Contract of Special Education Services: On a motion by Trustee Joan Cusanelli and seconded by Trustee Fred Rickles the Board of Education voted and approved the following resolution. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Summer 2012 Contract of
Special Education Services

BE IT RESOLVED, that it is hereby moved that the Board of Education of the Pocantico Hills Central School District at Sleepy Hollow, New York approve the Summer 2012 contract between Pocantico Hills CSD and the Ardsley UFSD for the provision of Special Educational services at the rate established by the New York State Education Department for one student, which includes basic instruction, psychological consultation, speech therapy, consultation, occupational therapy, physical therapy and adaptive physical education, and an additional amount set by NYSED for a 1:1 or 2:1 aide.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Superintendent is hereby authorized to execute the contract for Summer Special Education Services for 2012 between the Ardsley UFSD, and the Pocantico Hills Central School District.

Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement: On a motion by Fred Rickles and seconded by Trustee Joan Cusanelli the Board of Education voted and approved the following agreement. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

Supplemental Memorandum of
Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED that the Pocantico Hills Board of Education hereby ratifies the provisions of a supplemental memorandum of agreement between the District and the Civil Service Employees Association, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO dated July 31, 2012, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of said agreement shall be incorporated within the minutes of this meeting.

Discussion/Planning for Future Meetings: The next Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 8:00 p.m. Vice President David Wilens requested a discussion on the middle school awards dinner and well as bringing back the policy on field use.

**DISCUSSION/PLANNING
FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Executive Session: On a motion by Trustee Fred Rickles and seconded by Trustee Emily Segal the Board of Education moved to executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular individual at 9:12 p.m. The motion was unanimously passed (5-0).

**MOTION TO EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Adjournment from Executive Session and Regular Meeting: There being no further business, on a motion by Vice President David Wilens and seconded by Trustee Joan Cusanelli the Board of Education adjourned from Executive Session and the Regular Meeting at 9:50 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT FROM
EXECUTIVE SESSION AND
REGULAR MEETING**

Respectfully submitted,
Gina L. Downes
District Clerk

John Conrad, School Board President

Date: _____

Gina L. Downes, District Clerk

Date: _____