

MOUNT PLEASANT COTTAGE SCHOOL, UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLEASANTVILLE, NEW YORK 10570

January 27, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District was called to order at 7:33 pm by Mrs. Rita Golden.

Roll Call:

Present: Mr. Carter, Mrs. Golden, Mrs. Irwin, Mr. Johnson, Dr. Naidich, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

Also

Present: Mr. Beovich, Mr. Rubbo, Ms. Harris, Mr. Pompa, Ms. Leamon, Ms. Lee, Dr. Torres, Mr. Nolan, Ms. Gorycki, Mr. Peccarelli and Ms. Labrador

Proposed Executive Session:

- ◆ Mrs. Stein moved that that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons.

Seconded: Mr. Johnson

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Reconvene to Public Session:

- ◆ Mr. Johnson moved that the Board of Education reconvenes to Public Session at 7:43 p.m.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Correspondence:

Mr. Rubbo shared with the Board Members:

- ◆ Copy of Andrea Aitken's Claim Reports for 11/1/19 through 11/21/19, 11/26/19 through 12/9/19 and 12/12/19 through 12/30/19.

Approval of Minutes:

- ◆ Dr. Naidich moved that the minutes of the Board of Education meeting of December 16, 2019 be accepted as presented.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Superintendents
Report:

- ◆ Dr. Torres provided a brief overview of the IXL Learning Math web-based program which assesses and tracks student progress and provides students with Math practice at an individualized level and answered questions from the board regarding the program.
- ◆ Ms. Leamon introduced Mr. John Peccarelli – Music Teacher and Ms. Grace Labrador – Special Education Teacher.
- ◆ Ms. Gorycki presented an overview of the Culinary CTE Program and shared the progress of the students and the skills they are working on developing. Ms. Gorycki answered questions from the Board and gave them an open invitation to visit the program.
- ◆ Superintendent Beovich reviewed the draft proposed School Calendar for 2020-2021 and discussed options with the Board.
- ◆ Mr. Rubbo presented the November Census Report.

Policy First Reading:

The following polices were presented for a first reading:

- ◆ Policy #6121 – Sexual Harassment in the Workplace and Form #6121F Complaint Form.
- ◆ Policy #5661 – Wellness.

Policy Second
Reading:

- ◆ Mrs. Irwin moved that the Board approve the second reading and adoption of Policy #5672 – Information Security Breach and Notification and Regulation #5672R – Information Security Breach Guidelines as presented.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved

Vote: 7-0

- ◆ Dr. Naidich moved that the Board approve Policy #5681 - School Safety Plans as presented.

Seconded: Mr. Johnson

Approved

Vote: 7-0

- ◆ Mrs. Irwin moved that the Board approve Policy #6550 – Leaves of Absence as presented.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved

Vote: 7-0

- ◆ Policy #7550 – Dignity for All Students and Regulation #7550R – Dignity for All Students was tabled until the next Board of Education meeting.

Business Matters:

Mrs. Stein moved that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda which includes items 10A – 10E.

- ◆ that the Treasurer’s Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of November 1, 2019 – November 30, 2019 be accepted.
- ◆ that the Treasurer’s Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of December 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019 be accepted.
- ◆ that the check runs for November 1, 2019 – November 30, 2019 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

#54433 - #54519 - \$973,208.33
- ◆ that the check runs for December 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

#54520 - #54644 - \$197,752.16
- ◆ that the Board of Education approves the following budget transfers for the 2019-2020 school year.

BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR JANUARY 2020				
Date	Account	Detail Description	Transfer Out	Transfer In
1/15/2020	A 2110.161-00-1000	Teacher Aide MPCS	66,400.00	
1/15/2020	A 9040.800-00-0000	New York State Insurance Fund		66,400.00
1/15/2020	A 2110.451-00-1700	Instructional Supplies – MPCS Technology	1,000.00	
1/15/2020	A 2630.460-00-0000	School Software		1,000.00

- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the contract with Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES for physical therapy services from January 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020 at a rate of \$132.82 per 30 minute session.
- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the contract with Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES for speech and language services from January 1, 2020 – June 30 2020 at a rate of \$150.00/hour.
- ◆ that the Board of Education approve an agreement with the Katonah-Lewisboro Union Free School District for the provision of Educational Services for the 2019-2020 school year.
- ◆ that the Board of Education approve an agreement with IXL Learning for a three-year subscription for a Math web-based program which assesses and tracks student progress and providing students with Math practice at individualized levels. The fee for the three-year subscription is \$8,370.00 payable in three annual installments.
- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the agreement with WageWorks for payment of a monthly maintenance fee associated with our FSA accounts.
- ◆ that the Board of Education approves the disposal of the following item:
 - Asset Number: 3320
 - Description: Kenmore mini-refrigerator
 - Location: District Office
 - Reason: Broken and not able to repair
- ◆ that the Board of Education authorize that effective January 1, 2020 the mileage reimbursement rate for approved school use of non-school automobiles will be 57.5 cents.”

Seconded: Mr. Johnson

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Personnel Matters:

Mr. Carter moved that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda which includes Items 11A – 11G.

- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the appointment of John Peccarelli to a four-year probationary term as a Music Teacher, commencing on or before March 30, 2020 and terminating on March 29, 2024 (dates subject to change based on actual start date), in the tenure area of Music. In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said employee must receive at least three APPR ratings of effective or highly effective during the four-year

probationary period and may not receive an ineffective rating in the final year of probation. Mr. Peccarelli holds the following certification: Music - Initial Certificate. Mr. Peccarelli's salary will be \$96,007 – BA40/MA Step -14 prorated to his first day of employment.

- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Grace Labrador to a four-year probationary term as a Special Education Teacher, commencing on February 24, 2020 and terminating on February 23, 2024 in the tenure area of Special Education. In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said employee must receive at least three APPR ratings of effective or highly effective during the four-year probationary period and may not receive an ineffective rating in the final year of probation. Ms. Labrador holds the following certification: Special Education Certificate, Elementary Education Certificate, Middle School Mathematics Certificate and High School Mathematics Certificate. Ms. Labrador's salary will be \$89,791 – BA40/MA Step – 12 prorated to her first day of employment.
- ◆ that the Board of Education hereby terminates the employment of employee # 416, School Monitor, effective January 27, 2020, in accordance with the provisions of Section 71 of the Civil Service Law, with the opportunity to be reinstated to the same or a similar position, if a vacancy exists, upon making application therefor within one year after termination of the disability.
- ◆ that the Board of Education accepts the following resignation:

Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
Stephanie Harris	Teacher Aide	MPCS	1/10/2020
Ray McGee	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	12/5/2019
Desiree Coram	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	1/15/2020
Shakeema Faulk	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	1/29/2020
Dominique Thompson	Teacher Aide	MPCS	1/22/2020

- ◆ that the Board of Education approves the following leave of absence:

Name	Position	Building	Effective Date
Cashae-Karissa Rochester	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	2/17/2020 – 06/30/2020

- ◆ that the Board of Education approves a paid leave of absence for employee # 894 effective January 28, 2020.

- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the following appointments:

Name	Position	Building	Rate	Probationary Period	Effective Date
Dymond Pimentel	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	1/28/2020
Howard Wolliaaston	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	1/28/2020
Shawn Henry	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	2/3/2020
Tamika Henry	Teacher Aide	MPCS	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	2/24/2020
Rupert Neil	Teacher Aide	MPCS	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	2/10/2020
Bryan Suertegaray-Santana	Teacher Aide	MPCS	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	2/24/2020
Sydani Blake	Teacher Aide	Edenwald	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	1/28/2020
Christine Delgado	Teacher Aide	MPCS	\$18.26/hr.	12-52 weeks	1/28/2020

- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Gerald Goodman as a Probationary Safety Monitor at Mount Pleasant Cottage School effective January 28, 2020 with a probationary period of 12 – 52 weeks with a salary of \$31,208 prorated to his effective date. Mr. Goodman was previously appointed as a leave replacement Safety Monitor.
- ◆ that the Board of Education approve the following stipend effective December 18, 2019:

Name	Position	Amount
Susan Williams	Girls Basketball Assistant Coach	\$2,000

Seconded: Dr. Naidich

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Committee on
Special Education:

- ◆ Mrs. Stein moved that the recommendations of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School U.F.S.D.'s Committee on Special Education be approved as recommended by the subcommittee.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Public
Comment:

- ◆ There were no public comments.

Meeting
Notification:

- ◆ The next regular public meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. in the MPCCS library.

Proposed Executive
Session:

- ◆ Mr. Carter moved that the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons and to discuss collective bargaining under the Taylor Law pertaining to the Teacher's Unit.

Seconded: Dr. Naidich

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Reconvene to
Public Session:

- ◆ Mrs. Stein moved that the Board of Education reconvenes to Public Session at 9:15 p.m.

Seconded: Mrs. Irwin

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Adjournment:

- ◆ Dr. Naidich moved that the Board of Education adjourns the Regular Public meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Seconded: Mr. Johnson

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Pappas
District Clerk