

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

October 19, 2015

The Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Education of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Mrs. Rita M. Golden, President.

Roll Call:

Present: Mrs. Golden, Mrs. Mann, Mr. Carter, Mr. Gelfman,
Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Spieler, Mrs. Stein

Absent: Mrs. Levene

Also
Present: Mr. Gaudette, Mr. Beovich, Ms. Leamon, Ms. Baron, Ms. Lee,
Mr. Zbikowski, Ms. Benjamin, Ms. Sanchirico, Ms. Vukel,
Ms. Finegold, Ms. Calidonna, Ms. Fernandez

Executive Session:

- ◆ Mrs. Stein moved that the Board adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons at 7:45 P.M.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Reconvene to Public
Session:

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that the Board of Education reconvene to public session at 8:33 P.M.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Correspondence:

Mr. Gaudette shared with the board members:

- ◆ Copy of Andrea Aitken's Claim Audits for 8/6/15-8/28/15
- ◆ Copy of APPR Negotiations and SED Hardship Waivers

Approval of
Minutes:

- ◆ Mr. Gelfman moved that the minutes as amended of the regular Board of Education meeting of September 21, 2015 be accepted as presented.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Superintendent's
Report:

As reported by Mr. Gaudette - The school organization has done a full evaluation of the school district over the past two years. Ten statements of practice or elements have come out of the evaluation which the district believes are the most critical district goals to be looked at. The administrators presented their progress on each one of their goals to inform the board and have them decide if there is a specific area that needs further attention.

Business Matters:

Mrs. Mann moved that

- ◆ the Treasurer's Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of August 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015 be accepted.
- ◆ the check runs for August 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

48786 – 488833 \$397,140.33.

- ◆ the Board of Education approves the following budget transfers for the 2015-2016 school year:

DATE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT NAME	From	To
9/3/2015	A 2110.130-00-0000	TEACHER SALARY EDENWALD	\$15,000.00	\$0.00
9/3/2015	A 1910.400-00-0000	INSURANCE	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
9/4/2015	A 1620.440-00-0000	REPAIR-BLDGS	\$3,321.65	\$0.00
9/4/2015	A 1910.400-00-0000	INSURANCE	\$0.00	\$3,321.65
9/4/2015	A 1310.403-00-0000	DUES-TRAVEL	\$0.00	\$60.80
9/4/2015	A 1240.406-00-0000	MISCELL	\$60.80	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.150-00-2100	SALARY INSTRUCT-MPCS	\$20,299.64	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.121-00-0000	SALARIES, SOCIAL WORKERS	\$2,520.45	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.161-00-1300	SALARY AIDES-EDEN	\$0.00	\$22,820.09
9/8/2015	A 2330.160-00-1000	THCR ASSTS	\$16,251.05	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.121-00-2810	SALARY GUIDANCE	\$0.00	\$8,744.05
9/8/2015	A 2330.150-00-1300	SALARY INSTRUCT-EDENWALD	\$0.00	\$7,507.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.121-00-0000	SALARIES, SOCIAL WORKERS	\$1,667.59	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.121-00-2820	SALARY PSYCHOLOGIST	\$0.00	\$1,667.59
9/8/2015	A 2330.161-00-2100	SALARY AIDES-MPCS	\$0.00	\$16,270.66
9/8/2015	A 2330.121-00-0000	SALARIES, SOCIAL WORKERS	\$436.69	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2330.160-00-1000	THCR ASSTS	\$2,693.00	\$0.00
9/8/2015	A 2110.161-00-1300	TEACHER AIDE-PER DIEM - EDEN	\$13,140.97	\$0.00
9/28/2015	A 1240.150-00-0000	SALARY-INSTRUCTIONAL	\$1,073.06	\$0.00
9/28/2015	A 1310.406-00-0000	MISCELL	\$0.00	\$1,073.06
			\$76,464.90	\$76,464.90.

- ◆ the Board of Education approves the contract between the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District and the Mount Vernon City School District effective 7/1/15.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President, or the Board Vice-President in the Board President's absence, to issue a Revenue Anticipation Note, in the amount of up to and including \$895,000.00 in anticipation of revenues to be received in the form of billed tuition for child placements in the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District from various counties and school districts of the State of New York during the fiscal year of said School District commencing July 1, 2015, and renewals thereof, if necessary.

The note shall be issued on or about October 15, 2015 for a period of one year.

Said note shall be sold privately to a bank to be determined, at the prevailing interest rate, where it shall be redeemed upon maturity, which date shall not extend beyond the close of the applicable period provided in the Local Finance Law for the maturity of such notes.

All other matters, except as provided herein, related to such note, shall be determined by the Board President or the Board Vice-President in the Board President's absence, including the power to designate such note as a "qualified tax exempt obligation" pursuant to the provisions of Section 265(b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved

Vote: 7-0

- ◆ Student enrollment for the month of September - 308.25

Personnel Matters:

Mrs. Irwin moved that

- ◆ the Board of Education appoints the following:

Name	Title	Salary	Effective Date
Wyanna Smith	Teacher Aide	\$18.26 per hour	9/28/15.

- ◆ the Board of Education appoints Nicholas Robitaille as the Athletic Director effective 8/31/15 with a \$2,000 stipend.

- ◆ the Board of Education accepts the following resignations:

Name	Position	Effective Date
1. Brian Suhovsky	Math Teacher	10/5/15
2. Rochelle Burd	English Teacher	9/24/15
3. Maurice Carter	Teacher Aide	9/25/15.

- ◆ the Board of Education accepts Ilene Benjamin's, (Elementary teacher) resignation for the purpose of retiring in to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System close of business November 25, 2015.
- ◆ upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby appoints Anthony Berardi to a four year probationary term as a Physical Education teacher, commencing on November 2, 2015 and terminating on November 1, 2019 in the tenure area of Physical 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 term and may not receive an ineffective rating in the final year of probation. Mr. Berardi has Professional certification in Physical Education and his salary is \$82,598 MA45/6.
- ◆ upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby appoints Charles Cooper to a four year probationary term as an Art teacher, commencing on October 26, 2015 and terminating on October 25, 2019 in the tenure area of Art. 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 term and may not receive an ineffective rating in the final year of probation. Mr. Cooper has Initial certification in Visual Arts and his salary is \$67,998 MA30/1.
- ◆ upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby appoints Laura Altschuler from a Teacher Aide to a four year probationary term as a Teaching Assistant, commencing on October 20, 2015 and terminating on October 19, 2019 in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant. Ms. Altschuler has a Level I - renewal certification as a Teaching Assistant and her salary is \$25,210 Lane A Step 0 with an additional stipend of \$5,000 for GED Coordinator.
- ◆ the Board of Education approves the APPR Memorandum of Agreement between the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Teachers' Association and the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District subject to ratification by the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Teachers' Association.

Seconded: Mrs. Mann

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Committee on
Special Education:

- ◆ Mr. Carter moved that the recommendations of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District's Committee on Special Education be approved as recommended by the subcommittee.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Public Comment:

None

Meeting Notification:

The next Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the library.

Adjournment:

- ◆ Mrs. Stein moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Public meeting at 9:15 P.M.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved
Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Freimark
District Clerk

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