

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

February 25, 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 6:12 P.M. by Mrs. Rita M. Golden, President.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Mr. Altman, Mrs. Levene

Also
Present: Mr. Gaudette, Mr. Beovich, Ms. Leamon, Ms. Baron, Ms. Lee,
Ms. Calidonna, Ms. Benjamin, Mr. Solano, Ms. Garrity

Re-Appointment Term
of Board of Education
Member:

- ◆ Mr. Gelfman moved that the Board of Education hereby accepts the re-appointment of Jacqueline Irwin by the NYS Education Department's Acting Commissioner, Elizabeth R, Berlin effective January 20, 2015 through January 20, 2019. (Oath of Office to be taken)

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved
Vote: 6-0

Executive Session:

- ◆ Mr. Carter moved that the Board adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons at 6:13 P.M.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved
Vote: 6-0

Reconvene to Public
Session:

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that the Board of Education reconvene to public session at 7:55 P.M.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved
Vote: 6-0

Correspondence:

Mr. Gaudette shared with the board members:

- ◆ Copy of Andrea Aitken's Claim Audits, 11/7/14-11/21/14
- ◆ Copy of Correspondence from Ellen Ganon, NYS Education Dept.

Personnel Matters:

Mrs. Leamon, Principal of Edenwald and Ms. Lee, Assistant Principal for Student Services introduced Joseph Solano, School Psychologist for tenure recommendation.

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that upon the recommendation of Mr. James Gaudette, the Superintendent of Schools, that Mr. Joseph Solano, a School Psychologist, it having been shown that Mr. Joseph Solano holds a valid New York State Permanent School Psychologist Certificate as a School Psychologist, is hereby granted and appointed to tenure as a School Psychologist in the Mount Pleasant Cottage School, Union Free School District, effective January 27, 2015.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved

Vote: 6-0

Mrs. Stein moved that

- ◆ the Board of Education hereby approves the creation of one 1.0 FTE Elementary Teaching position.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby accepts Teaching Assistant Delia Garrity’s leave of absence from her currently assigned position for the purpose of being appointed to a 3-year probationary position as an Elementary Teacher, Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial Certification, & Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Initial Certification at a salary of \$66,438 BA40-MA/3 effective 2/23/15.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby appoints the following Civil Service Employees:

Name	Title	Salary	Effective Date
1. Mark Davenport	Teacher Aide, 12-52 week probationary period	\$13.26 per hour	1/2/15
2. Jasmin Cooper	Teacher Aide, 12-52 week probationary period	\$13.26 per hour	1/20/15
3. Amy Walker	Teacher Aide, 12-52 week probationary period	\$13.26 per hour	3/2/15.

- ◆ the Board of Education hereby appoints the following:

Name	Title	Salary	Effective Date
1. Danielle Diorio	From: Leave Replacement Teacher To: 3-year probationary position - English Teacher *Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 - English, Initial Certificate	\$62,138 BA40-MA/1	11/10/14
2. Kevin Grier	From: Leave Replacement Teacher To: 3-year probationary position - English Teacher *Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 - English, Initial Certificate	\$62,138 BA40-MA/1	11/10/14
3. Michael Smith	Scorekeeper, JV Basketball	\$50.00 per game	11/24/14-2/13/15
4. Stephen Ojoe	Intake Coordinator	\$5,000 stipend, pro-rated	2/23/15-6/30/15.

- ◆ the Board of Education hereby authorizes it’s Superintendent of Schools to execute a Stipulation of Settlement and General Release with Employee No. 91 dated January 22, 2015, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of the Stipulation of Settlement and General Release shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Mr. Isaac Chestnut, Special Education Teacher for the purpose of retiring in to the New York State Teachers’ Retirement System effective 1/22/15.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Ms. Kathleen Fallon, Sr. Office Assistant (Auto. Systems) for the purpose of retiring in to the New York State Employees’ Retirement System effective 7/11/15.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of tenured Teacher, Dennis Guenther, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2015, as set forth in a letter dated January 22, 2015.
- ◆ the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Jessica Clarke, Teacher Aide effective 2/20/15.”

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved

Vote: 6-0

Ms. Baron introduced Delia Garrity as the District’s new Elementary Teacher.

Approval of Minutes:

- ◆ Mr. Gelfman moved that the minutes of the regular Board of Education meeting of December 15, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved

Vote: 6-0

Business Matters:

Mrs. Irwin moved that

- ◆ the Board of Education the Treasurer’s Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of November 1, 2014 through November 30, 2014 be accepted.

- ◆ the check runs for November 1, 2014 through November 30, 2014 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

48036 – 48079 \$379,612.34.

- ◆ the Treasurer’s Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of December 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 be accepted.

- ◆ the check runs for December 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

48080 – 48185 \$692,343.87.

◆ the Board of Education approves the following budget transfers for the 2014-2015 school year:

DATE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT NAME	OUT	IN
12/12/2014	A 9010.800-00-0000	EMPL RETIREMENT	\$0.00	\$38,302.00
12/12/2014	A 9030.800-00-0000	FICA	\$38,302.00	\$0.00
12/16/2014	A 2630.450-00-0000	MATERIALS/SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
12/16/2014	A 2810.150-00-0000	GUIDANCE COUNSELORS	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
12/29/2014	A 2815.160-00-0000	SCHOOL NURSE	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
12/29/2014	A 2815.400-00-0000	SCHOOL NURSE-CONTRACT	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
12/29/2014	A 5510.406-00-0000	MISCELL	\$0.00	\$10.00
12/29/2014	A 5510.161-00-0000	SALARY-O/T	\$10.00	\$0.00
12/30/2014	A 2020.150-00-0000	SALARY-INSTRUCTIONAL	\$900.00	\$0.00
12/30/2014	A 1240.160-00-0000	SALARY-NON-INSTRUC	\$0.00	\$900.00
12/30/2014	A 2020.150-00-0000	SALARY-INSTRUCTIONAL	\$3,010.27	\$0.00
12/30/2014	A 2020.160-00-0000	SALARY-NON-INSTRUCT	\$0.00	\$3,010.27
12/30/2014	A 2110.120-00-0000	TEACHER SALARY MPC	\$4,217.12	\$0.00
12/30/2014	A 2110.121-00-0000	TEACHING ASSISTANTS-MPCS	\$0.00	\$4,217.12
12/30/2014	A 2110.130-00-0000	TEACHER SALARY EDENWALD	\$0.00	\$13,375.73
12/30/2014	A 2110.131-00-0000	TEACHING ASSISTANTS-EDENWALD	\$13,375.73	\$0.00
12/30/2014	A 2630.150-00-0000	SALARY NON TEACHER INSTRUCTIONAL	\$0.00	\$900.00
12/30/2014	A 2810.150-00-0000	GUIDANCE COUNSELORS	\$900.00	\$0.00
12/30/2014	A 2822.150-00-0000	SPEECH THERAPISTS	\$0.00	\$320.00
12/30/2014	A 2810.150-00-0000	GUIDANCE COUNSELORS	\$320.00	\$0.00.

◆ the Board of Education hereby approves the contract between the Mount Pleasant Cottage School and Smithtown Central School District effective 9/23/14-6/30/15.

◆ the Board of Education hereby approves the contract between the Mount Pleasant Cottage School and D.P. Wolff effective 1/28/15.

◆ the Board of Education hereby approves the contract between the Mount Pleasant Cottage School and Wetco Inc. effective 1/21/15.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved
Vote: 6-0

◆ Mrs. Irwin moved that the Board of Education hereby adopts the following policies effective 1/26/15:

1. #3420 Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment in the School District (Revised)
2. #6120 Equal Employment Opportunity (Revised)
3. #6121 Sexual Harassment of District Personnel (Revised)
4. #6122 Employee Grievances (New)
5. #7551 Sexual Harassment of Students (Revised)
6. #8130 Equal Educational Opportunities (Revised).

Seconded: Mrs. Mann

Approved
Vote: 6-0

◆ Student enrollment for the month of December was a little over budget, January, 8 students over budget (309), February approximately 305-306 students.

- ◆ 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: 6-0

Public Comment:

None

Meeting Notification:

The next Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the library.

- ◆ Mr. Gaudette acknowledged Mrs. Rita Golden for her "Board Excellence Award" she received from the New York State School Boards Association.

Adjournment:

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Public meeting at 8:03 P.M.

Seconded: Mrs. Irwin

Approved

Vote: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Freimark
District Clerk

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