

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

March 14, 2016

The Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Education of the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District was called to order at 7:34 P.M. by Mrs. Rita Golden, President.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: None

Also

Present: Mr. Gaudette, Mr. Beovich, Ms. Leamon, Ms. Baron, Ms. Lee,
Mr. Zbikowski, Ms. Sanchirico, Ms. Calidonna, Ms. Liu,
Ms. Alvarado-Prashad, Mr. Tong

Executive Session:

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that the Board of Education adjourns to Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons at 7:35 p.m.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved

Vote: 7-0

Mrs. Levene was not here at the time of the vote.

Reconvene to
Public Session:

- ◆ Mr. Carter moved that the Board of Education reconvenes to Public Session at 8:50 p.m.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved

Vote: 8-0

Correspondence:

- ◆ Mr. Gaudette shared with the board members:

- ◆ Copy of Andrea Aitken's Claim Audits for 12/1/15 through 12/31/15 and 1/4/16 through 1/29/16

- ◆ Copy of APPR Update from Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert & Letter from the Commissioner of Education

- ◆ Copy of NYSED Notice of Compliance from Ellen Ganon, Regional Associate

Approval of
Minutes:

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that the minutes of the regular Board of Education meeting of January 25, 2016 be accepted as presented.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved

Vote: 8-0

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Gaudette reported on:

- School Development Goals
- Program Reports & Updates
- NYS Assembly memorandum in support of legislation to amend the Education law regarding "Tuition" for children with handicapping conditions.

Business Matters:

Mrs. Irwin moved that

- ◆ that Walter Callahan and Norman Freimark are removed as co-signors for the TD Bank General Fund account and James Gaudette, Superintendent, and Stephen Beovich, Director of Operations will be authorized as additional co-signors.
- ◆ the Treasurer's Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of December 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 be accepted.
- ◆ the check runs for December 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

50157 – 50291 \$689,426.45.

- ◆ the Treasurer's Report General Fund Checking, Trust and Agency Account and Federal Fund Checking Account for the period of January 1, 2016 through January 31, 2016 be accepted.
- ◆ the check runs for January 1, 2016 through January 31, 2016 be accepted as recommended by the subcommittee from:

50292 – 50358 \$607,040.67.

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

DATE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT NAME	OUT	IN
1/19/2016	A 1240.406-00-0000	MISCELL	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
1/19/2016	A 1620.450-00-0000	MATERIALS-SUPPLIES	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
1/19/2016	A 2110.450-00-1000	CENTRAL SUPP-MPCS	\$0.00	\$500.00
1/19/2016	A 2110.451-01-3000	INSTR SUPPLIES - DAY STUDENTS-MPCS	\$500.00	\$0.00
1/20/2016	A 2630.450-00-0000	MATERIALS/SUPPLIES	\$0.00	\$500.00
1/20/2016	A 2020.406-00-0000	MISCELL	\$500.00	\$0.00
1/20/2016	A 2630.200-00-0000	EQUIPMENT	\$0.00	\$250.00
1/20/2016	A 2020.406-00-0000	MISCELL	\$250.00	\$0.00
1/20/2016	A 1620.420-00-0000	TELEPHONE	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
1/20/2016	A 1620.162-00-0000	SALARY-P/T	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
1/27/2016	A 2020.160-00-0000	SALARY-NON-INSTRUCT	\$28,898.00	\$0.00
1/27/2016	A 1910.400-00-0000	INSURANCE	\$0.00	28898.00

- ◆ the Board of Education approves the amendment to the 2015-2016 school budget to reflect increased revenue and expenditures. From original approved budget of \$16,084,758 To: revised 2015-2016 budget \$17,484,758 – increase of \$1,400,000.
- ◆ the Board of Education approves the Mount Pleasant Cottage School, Union Free School District to participate with other school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Educational Services, Westchester County, New York adopting in the joint bidding of:

Art Supplies, General School Supplies, Office Supplies, Fine Paper Supplies, Audio Visual Supplies and Equipment, Bakery Goods, Cafeteria Food Supplies, Custodial Supplies, Custodial Paper Supplies, Lumber Supplies,

Laser & Ink Jet Toners OEM, Laser & Ink Jet Toners, Compatibles, Microcomputer Hardware, Office & Classroom Furniture and Graphing Calculators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall remain in effect until: June 2017 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other participating school districts in Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 to the General Municipal Law.

◆ the Board of Education approves the following contracts:

1. Milburn Flooring Mills - \$39,163.68
2. Honeywell Building Solutions - \$53,600.00
3. Honeywell Building Solutions - \$277,980.00.

◆ the Board of Education approves the proposed 2016-2017 school calendar.

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◆ the Board of Education approves the following pay rates for summer school 2016:

# of years worked Including current year:	Summer only teachers Hourly Rates	10 month teachers Hourly Rates
1-5	\$35.17	\$36.88
6	\$36.88	\$37.74
7+	\$36.88	\$38.60.

◆ the Board of Education approves the following rate of pay for Teaching Assistants for summer school 2016:

Teaching Assistants - \$18.87 per hour.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved

Vote: 8-0

◆ The following policy was presented for a first reading:

1. #6110 Revised Code of Ethics for Board Member and All District Personnel (Please note: the first reading of this policy at the January 25, 2016 meeting has been replaced with this version).

◆ Student enrollment for the month of January was 284.5 and 290.0 for February.

Personnel Matters:

◆ Mrs. Stein moved that upon the recommendation of Mr. James Gaudette, the Superintendent of Schools, Maria Alvarado-Prashad, a Social Studies teacher, it having been shown that Ms. Alvarado-Prashad holds a valid New York State Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 – Social Studies Professional Certificate as a Social Studies teacher, is hereby granted and appointed to tenure as a Social Studies teacher in the Mount Pleasant Cottage School, Union Free School District, effective March 15, 2016.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved

Vote: 8-0

- ◆ Mrs. Irwin moved that upon the recommendation of Mr. James Gaudette, the Superintendent of Schools, Thomas Tong a Foreign Language teacher, it having been shown that Mr. Tong holds a valid New York State Students with Disabilities Grades 7-12 – Generalist, Professional Certificate, Spanish Grades 5-9 Professional Certificate, and a Spanish 7-12 Professional Certificate as a Foreign Language teacher, is hereby granted and appointed to tenure as a Foreign Language teacher in the Mount Pleasant Cottage School, Union Free School District, effective March 15, 2016.

Seconded: Mr. Gelfman

Approved

Vote: 8-0

Mr. Gelfman moved that

- ◆ the Board of Education pursuant to the requirement of Education Law Section 3012-c and Part 30-2.9 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, the individual named below has completed all the necessary training to be certified as a lead evaluator of building principals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby certify the following individual as a lead evaluator of building principals:

Stephen Beovich.

- ◆ the Board of Education the Board of Education appoints the following new employees:

Name	Position	Salary	Effective Date
1. Barbara Carter	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/7/16
2. Serron Green	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/7/16
3. Michael Izzo	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/7/16
4. Marie Legare	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/7/16
5. Sha'Quana Postell	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/7/16
6. Orquidea Ramirez	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	2/29/16
7. Mary Jane Renza	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/15/16
8. Monique Washington	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/14/16
9. Kaylyn Campbell	Teacher Aide 12-52 week probationary period	\$18.26 per hour	3/21/16.

- ◆ the Board of Education appoints the following Teacher Aides to School Monitor positions effective 3/15/16 at a salary of \$28,840. (Salary and benefits to be pro-rated). These two positions are subject to Civil Service Rules and Regulations and require a 12-52 week probationary period.

1. Ken Parker
2. Michelle Thompson.

- ◆ the Board of Education appoints Chad Spaeth from a .54 FTE Leave Replacement teacher to a 1.0 FTE Leave Replacement teacher effective 2/24/16 at a salary of BA/0 \$52,346.
- ◆ the Board of Education appoints Heidi Murphy from a Teacher Aide to a 4-year probationary position as a Teaching Assistant at a salary of \$25,210 Lane A/0 and a \$5,000 stipend as the GED coordinator effective 2/22/16*. Ms. Murphy holds a Level I Teaching Assistant certification. (Salary and benefits will be pro-rated). (*Amendment to the minutes to reflect the effective date)
- ◆ the Board of Education approves approve the following employees to work after school in the Academic Intervention Services program at a rate of \$40.00 per hour:

Marco Ascolillo, Jennifer Becker, Anthony Berardi, Cynthia Calidonna, Charles Cooper, Dave Hudson, Greta Joseph, Sean Kelly, Christine Leake, Christine Leamon, Millicent Lee, Emma Liu, Nicholas Robitaille, Frank Voltaggio, Gail Scott, Tony Sheppard, Chad Spaeth, Marc Stein, Susan Tullgren, John Walsh and Denise White, Ed Klopper.

- ◆ the Board of Education accepts the following resignations:

Name	Position	Effective Date
1. Sherine Kurien	Jr. Accountant	2/27/16
2. Ambar Perez	Teacher Aide	2/27/16.

- ◆ the Board of Education terminates the following:

Name	Position	Effective Date
1. Anthony Anderson	School Monitor	1/26/16
2. Nicole Lowe	Teacher Aide	2/11/16.

Seconded: Mr. Carter

Approved

Vote: 8-0

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: 8-0

Public Comment:

Ms. Gina Sanchirico addressed the Board.

Meeting Notification:

The next Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. in the library.

Adjournment:

- ◆ Mrs. Mann moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Public meeting at 9:22 P.M.

Seconded: Mrs. Stein

Approved

Vote: 8-0

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Freimark
District Clerk

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