

**WYANDANCH UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
HELD ON AUGUST 6, 2014
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
1445 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BOULEVARD
WYANDANCH, NEW YORK 11798**

APPROVED

8/14/14
4-0-0

The meeting was called to order by President Tolliver at 1:10 PM.

Roll Call: Performed by District Clerk

Trustees Present: Dr. Thomas Tolliver, Dr. Ronald Allen, Sr., Nancy Holliday, Charlie Reed

Trustee Who Later Joined the Meeting: James Crawford, Yvonne Robinson

Trustees Absent: Shirley Baker

Others Present: Dr. Mary Jones, Kester Hodge, Gina Talbert, Janice Patterson, Calvin Wilson, Lisa Hutchinson, Esq., Chris Shishko, Esq., Winsome Ware, Lisa Coalmon, Stephanie Howard, Principals, Administrators and Community

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Reed, second by Holliday to adopt the agenda Motion carried 4-0-0

President Tolliver welcomed everyone to the Special Board Meeting.

**Superintendent's
Presentation**

Gina Talbert introduced Mary Fritz, Ed.D, Director of Pre-K Programs at St. Joseph's College. Dr. Fritz introduced three of her associates who would be working with the Pre-K program. She also gave an overview of the services that would be provided to the district. Following her presentation, Dr. Fritz entertained questions from the Board of Education.

Trustee Robinson arrived at the meeting at 1:17 PM.

Trustee Crawford arrived at the meeting at 1:17 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Allen, second by Robinson to go into Executive Session at 1:45 PM to discuss matters pertaining to the employment of particular employees and pending legal matters
Motion carried 6-0-0

Trustee Allen left the meeting during Executive Session.

RECONVENE

Motion by Robinson, second by Reed to reconvene at 3:55PM Motion carried 5-0-0

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Dr. Jones presented the Administration Resolutions.

**ADMINISTRATION
RESOLUTIONS**

**ADMIN #1
Revised 2014/15 Academic
Calendar**

BACKGROUND

Each year the Board of Education must approve a District Academic Calendar for the ensuing school year consistent with the BOCES Academic Calendar. At the Board Meeting of February 12, 2014, the Board of Education approved an Academic Calendar for the 2014-2015 school year. The 2014-2015 Academic Calendar has since been revised.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the revision to the Wyandanch Union Free School District Academic Calendar for the 2014-2015 school year be approved by the Board of Education.

Motion by Robinson, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

**ADMIN #2
ERATE Consulting Firm**

BACKGROUND

GTA, LLC has been the district's ERATE consulting firm for the past several years, under the direction of Mr. Cliff Friedman.

WHEREAS, Mr. Friedman has submitted the attached proposal to the Wyandanch UFSD to continue to provide ERATE consulting and administrative services to the district at a significantly reduced annual fee for a two-year period from July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2016.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves that the Wyandanch UFSD renews the contract for ERATE preparation, consultation and administrative services to GTA, LLC, at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.00 per year.

Motion by Reed, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

**ADMIN #3
Donation**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Ms. Cheryl Bethel from the Town of Babylon has offered to donate twenty (20) desks to the Wyandanch U.F.S.D.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby grants authorization to the Superintendent of Schools to accept the donation.

Motion by Robinson, second by Reed

Motion carried 5-0-0

**ADMIN #4
Farmingdale College 2014
CACG Innovations**

WHEREAS, Farmingdale State College is inviting us to partner with them in the Farmingdale College Preparatory Program for at-Risk Youth and,

WHEREAS, the 2014 CACG Innovations grant is funded by the US Education Department and administered by the NYS Higher Education Services Corporation. It would provide funding for one year with an opportunity to extend based upon performance. FSC would like **Wyandanch Memorial High School** to participate. Under this grant, FSC would be the fiscal agent and institution of higher learning. FSC will provide the following:

- a. Activities consistent with *2014 CACG Innovations RFP* priorities and requirements.
- b. Afterschool Study Halls and Academic Enrichment in STEM and ELA disciplines.
- c. Model United Nations programs with a STEM emphasis.
- d. SAT/ACT and NYS Regents preparation.
- e. Career oriented field trips with a STEM focus.
- f. Saturday Academies in Biology, Engineering, Environment Studies and Film.
- g. Concentrated program in Study Skills
- h. College classes.
- i. Summer program & summer residency in FSC dormitories to simulate the college experience.
- j. Field trips to various colleges.
- k. Conduct financial literacy/health/parent information seminars. Develop forms/literature/outreach material.

Wyandanch Memorial High School primary responsibilities would be as follows:

- A Recruit parents who commit to program. Recruit sufficient qualified students to participate.
- b. Provide opportunities for FSC to present information on to students, teachers, staff and parents.
- c. Assign a program coordinator who will lead recruiting, attendance efforts, communicate with parents and students, provide all required student/family data and attend all required meetings. The coordinator will be paid \$4,000 annually by FSC.
- d. Provide transportation to *CACG Innovations* activities held at the FSC campus.
- e. Provide facilities for FSC *2014 CACG Innovations* staff to conduct required activities.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and that the Board of Education approves the agreement between Wyandanch Union Free School District and Farmingdale State College.

Motion by Robinson, second by Reed

Motion carried 5-0-0

Kester Hodge presented the Personnel Resolutions.

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

**PERS #1
Rescission**

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education rescind the previously approved termination.

RESCIND

A. Kenneth Rodgers, Ed.D, Assistant Superintendent for Business, effective July 25, 2014.

Motion by Reed, second by Robinson

Motion carried 5-0-0

**PERS #1A
Retirement**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The candidate named herein has submitted a letter of intent to retire from the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept the intent to retire from the position indicated.

RETIREMENT

A. Kenneth Rodgers, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Business, effective July 25, 2014.

Motion by Robinson, second by Reed

Motion carried 5-0-0

**PERS #2
Rescission
REVISED**

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education rescind the previously approved appointment indicated.

RESCIND

- A. Maria Roberson, Part Time Clerk Typist Spanish Speaking, effective August 6, 2014.
- B. Sandra Martinez, Part Time Clerk Typist Spanish Speaking, effective August 6, 2014.
- C. Hilda Martinez, Part Time Clerk Typist Spanish Speaking, effective August 6, 2014.

Motion by Reed, second by Robinson

Motion carried 5-0-0

**PERS #3
Rescission
AMENDED**

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education rescind the previously approved appointment of the following candidates to the WMHS Summer Program positions indicated for the period of July 9, 2014 through August 15, 2014 for three (3) hours per day, for five (5) days per week.

**RESCIND WMHS SUMMER SCHOOL
APPOINTMENTS**

- A. Martin Greene, Lead Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- B. Deven Kane, ELA Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- C. Sandy Reiher, ELA Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- D. John Chappell, Math Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- ~~E. Sean Neimeth, Global Studies Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.~~
- F. April Anderson, Living Environment Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- G. Loretta Schoenfeldt, Earth Science Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- H. Sean Neimeth, Global Studies Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- I. Kaitlyn Barrett, U.S. History Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- J. Gregory Heddell, Substitute Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- K. Danielle Tahir, Substitute Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.

Amended to remove item "E", which is a duplication of item "H"

Motion by Robinson, second by Reed

Motion carried 5-0-0

**PERS #3A
WMHS Summer School
Appointments
AMENDED**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The candidates named herein are recommended for an appointment to the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following candidates to the WMHS Summer Program positions indicated for the period of July 7, 2014 through August 15, 2014 for three (3) hours per day, for five (5) days per week.

WMHS SUMMER SCHOOL **APPOINTMENTS**

- A. Martin Greene, Lead Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- B. Deven Kane, ELA Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- C. Sandy Reiher, ELA Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- D. John Chappell, Math Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- ~~E. Sean Neimeth, Global Studies Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.~~
- F. April Anderson, Living Environment Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- G. Loretta Schoenfeldt, Earth Science Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- H. Sean Neimeth, Global Studies Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- I. Kaitlyn Barrett, U.S. History Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- J. Gregory Heddell, Substitute Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.
- K. Danielle Tahir, Substitute Teacher, at a rate of \$35.00 per hour.

Amended to remove item "E", which is a duplication of item "H"

Motion by Robinson, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

PERS #4

District Wide Appointment

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The candidate named herein is recommended for an appointment to the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following candidate to the position indicated.

DISTRICT WIDE **APPOINTMENT**

- A. Izette Thomas, Leave Replacement Assistant Principal, at an annual salary of \$138,099.00 with a Middle School Assistant Principal stipend of \$2,000.00, effective August 18, 2014.

Motion by Reed, second by Robinson

Motion carried 5-0-0

PERS #4A

District Wide Appointment

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The candidate named herein is recommended for an appointment to the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following candidate to the position indicated.

DISTRICT WIDE **APPOINTMENT**

- A. Monique Habersham, Ed.D., Leave Replacement Assistant Principal (PreK-5), at an annual salary of \$138,099.00 with an Elementary Assistant Principal stipend of \$1,000.00, effective August 18, 2014.

Motion by Robinson, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

WHEREAS, The Wyandanch Union Free School District is a participant in the Response To Intervention (RTI) Personnel Development Project and must fulfill the mandate of implementing a high quality RTI Program,

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following candidate to the position indicated.

**DISTRICT WIDE
APPOINTMENT**

- A. Dianna Rivera Summer Teacher on Special Assignment for RTI Personnel Development Project, at a rate of \$40 per hour, for four (4) hours per day effective August 7, 2014 through August 15, 2014 and seven (7) hours per day effective August 18, 2014 through August 29, 2014.

Motion by Reed, second by Robinson

Motion carried 5-0-0

PERS #5
Leave of Absence

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employee named has requested a Family Medical Leave of Absence from the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education grant a Family Medical Leave of Absence without pay to the following employee as indicated.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- A. Derrick Jackson, Custodial Worker III, effective August 6, 2014 and August 8, 2014.

Motion by Reed, second by Robinson

Motion carried 5-0-0

SALARY SCHEDULE-SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 6, 2014

| NAME | POSITION | OLD RATE OF PAY | NEW RATE OF PAY |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Martin Greene | Lead Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Deven Kane | ELA Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Sandy Reiher | ELA Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| John Chappell | Math Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Sean Neimeth | Global Studies Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Kaitlyn Barrett | U.S. History Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Gregory Heddell | Substitute Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Danielle Tahir | Substitute Teacher | | \$35.00 per hour |
| Izette Thomas | Assistant Principal | | \$138,099.00 annual |
| Monique Habersham, Ed.D. | Assistant Principal | | \$138,099.00 annual |
| Dianna Rivera | Summer RTI Project | | \$40.00 per hour |
| Dianna Rivera | Teacher on Special Assignment | | \$94,570.00 annual |

This schedule is informational. All salaries are determined by the Collective Bargaining Agreement for each Bargaining Unit.

Gina Talbert presented the Curriculum Resolution.

**CURRICULUM
RESOLUTION**

**CURR #1
Universal Pre-K Grant**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

WHEREAS, the Wyandanch Union Free School District is the recipient of the Universal Pre-K Grant. RFP's (Request for Proposals) were requested.

WHEREAS, The operational cost including salaries of the selected contractor is \$474,000.00, the UPK (Universal Pre-K) Grant allotment is \$422,639.00 and the District's responsibility will be \$51,361.00.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and after review by the General Counsel, that the Board of Education approves the UPK (Universal Pre-K) Program contract with St. Joseph's College for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion by Robinson, second by Reed

Motion carried 5-0-0

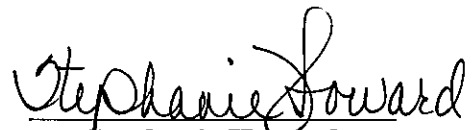
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Robinson, second by Holliday to adjourn the meeting at 4:15PM

Motion carried 5-0-0

**Minutes Recorded and
Transcribed By
District Clerk**

**Date of Meeting: AUGUST 6, 2014
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**


Stephanie Howard