

**WYANDANCH UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF
WORK SESSION
HELD ON JUNE 14, 2023
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
1445 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BOULEVARD
WYANDANCH, NEW YORK 11798**

**THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON IN THE LARGE BOARD ROOM,
LIVESTREAMED ON ZOOM AND BROADCASTED ON THE DISTRICT'S OFFICIAL
FACEBOOK PAGE.**

The meeting was called to order by President Morris at 5:53 PM.

Roll Call:

Performed by Jessica Reed, District Clerk

Trustees Present
(in person):

Jarod B. Morris, Nancy Holliday, Shirley Baker, Kathy
Corbin, Charlie B. Reed

Trustees Present
(virtually/teleconference):

Others Present:

Dr. Gina Talbert, Lawanda Williams, Esq, Dr. Christine
Jordan, Shamika Simpson, Carl Baldini, Rich Snyder, Al
Chase, Rascheda Wallace, Jessica Reed and
Community

Trustee Latesha Walker(excused)

The Board and community recited the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Motion by Reed, second by Corbin to adopt the agenda.

Motion carried 5-0-0

**WELCOME BY BOARD
PRESIDENT**

President Morris welcomed everyone to the work session and thanked everyone for attending.

READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

President Morris asked everyone to stand and recite the mission statement:

“Inspire the passion for learning and educating all students to achieve their full potential.”

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Reed, seconded by Corbin to move into Executive Session at 5:57 PM to discuss the employment of particular persons and to receive legal counsel.

Motion carried 5-0-0

RECONVENE

Motion by Holliday, seconded by Baker to reconvene at 7:34 PM.

Motion carried 5-0-0

SUPERINTENDENT PRESENTATION

Top 10 Scholars

Dr. Talbert provided accolades and certificates to our Top 10 High School seniors. The student were all acknowledged in ranking order as follows: Livelis Beato, Caiya Cummings, Cecilia Lopez, Najdelin Rodezno-Lopez, Shaniya Clark, Miriel Beato, Jarenni Romero, Naomi Patrick, Katherine Chavez-Flores, and Geydi Ventura Diaz.

Resolution Recommendations

PERSONNEL #3

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-3

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The candidates named herein have been 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 approves the appointment of the following candidates to the position indicated.

DISTRICT WIDE
APPOINTMENTS

- J. Deborah Rhodes, School Lunch Manager, at a rate of \$269.44 per day, effective June 1, 2023 through June 7, 2023.
- K. Gabriela Coreas, School Lunch Manager, at an annual salary of \$92,000.00, with a twenty-six-week probationary period, effective July 15, 2023.

Motion to vote on each line item separately

Letter J:

**Motion by Baker, second by Corbin
opposed, Holliday abstained)**

Motion failed 3-1-1(Morris

Motion to reconsider by Baker, seconded by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

**Motion by Baker, seconded by Corbin
opposed)**

Motion carried 4-1-0(Morris

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris		X	
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

Letter K

Motion by Baker, seconded by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

PERSONNEL #5

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-5

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employees 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 employees named herein to the position indicated authorized by Article II-A of the agreement between the United Public Service Employees-Security Unit and the Wyandanch Union Free School District.

SUPERVISING**SECURITY GUARD****APPOINTMENTS**

	NAME	POSITION	Rate	BUILDING	EFFECTIVE DATE(S)
A	Damain Smith	Supervising Security Guard	.75 per hour	WMHS	2022-2023 school year
B	Clinton Williams	Supervising Security Guard	.75 per hour	MLO	2022-2023 school year

BLOCK VOTE Motion by Baker, second by Walker

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday			
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker	X		
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

PERSONNEL #7

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-7

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employees named herein have been 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 employees named herein to the MLO After School Regents Prep Program position indicated, at a rate of \$45.00 per hour, for two (2) hours per day, for four (4)

days per week, not to exceed a total of forty (40) hours, effective May 10, 2023 through June 13, 2023 funded through the TSI Grant Funds.

MLO
AFTER SCHOOL
REGENTS PREP PROGRAM
APPOINTMENTS

	Name	Position	Rate Per Hour	Hours Per Day	Effective Dates	Budget Code
A	Samantha Lawrence	Regents Prep Teacher	\$45.00	2	05/10/2023 – 06/13/2023	F-2110-150-11-230302
B	Abigail Montague	Regents Prep Teacher	\$45.00	2	05/10/2023 – 06/13/2023	F-2110-150-11-230302

Motion by Baker, second by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

PERSONNEL #13

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-13

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employee named herein has requested a Family Medical Leave of Absence without pay 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 from the position indicated for the period indicated below.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A. Steve Eason, Security Guard, April 28, 2023, through May 25, 2023.

Motion by Baker, second by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

PERSONNEL #14

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-14

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employee named herein has requested an Extended Medical Leave of Absence without pay from the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education grant an Extended Medical Leave of Absence without pay to the following employee from the position indicated for the period indicated below.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A. Steve Eason, Security Guard, May 26, 2023, through June 9, 2023.

Motion by Baker, second by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		

Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

PERSONNEL #15

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-15

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employee named herein has requested a Medical Leave of Absence without pay from the position indicated.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education grant a Medical Leave of Absence without pay to the following employee from the position indicated for the period indicated below.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A. Martin Greene, Ed. D, Art Teacher, April 1, 2023, through May 30, 2023.

BLOCK VOTE Motion by Corbin, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

PERSONNEL #16

BoardDocs Ref: 10-B-16

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The employees named herein are recommended for compensation for work completed at the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to compensate the employee named herein for one day's pay at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year.

- A Heath Broughton, Family Engagement Liaison, at a rate of \$355.19 per day, for one (1) day, effective August 15, 2022.

Motion by Baker, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

BUSINESS # 5

BoardDocs Ref: 10-C-5

RESOLUTION:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby approves Deborah Rhodes serving as a District consultant for the provision of training related to the transition and onboarding of a new School Lunch Manager with such training being provided during the period of June 8-September 1, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$100.00 with no further benefits to be provided. (Not to exceed 9 hours per week)

Motion by Reed, second by Holliday

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			

Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

CURRICULUM #1

BOARDDOCS REF: 10-D-1

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Students in the Wyandanch School District should be constantly involved in activities both within and outside the district to assist them in developing as whole individuals, enhancing their knowledge and reinforcing their course(s) of study. Special activities have been planned by national, state and local organizations to promote continuous growth of students.

BUILDING	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
<u>WMHS: Grades 9 – 12</u> Steven Davis 60 STUDENTS/6 ADULTS	06/02/23 7:30 AM – 1:00 PM BUSES NEEDED (2)	Empire State Games for the Physically Challenged Mitchel Athletic Complex 1 Charles Lindbergh Blvd, Uniondale, NY 11553
<u>LFH/ANNEX: GRADES</u> <u>PreK – K</u> Darlene White 195 STUDENTS/15 ADULTS	06/12/23 9:45 AM – 12:30 PM BUSES NEEDED (4)	Kindergarten Destination Graduation Wyandanch Memorial High School 54 So. 32 nd St. Wyandanch, NY 11798
<u>MLK: Grades 3 – 5</u> Dr. Monique Habersham 210 STUDENTS/15 ADULTS	06/21/23 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM BUSES NEEDED (5)	Moving Up Ceremony Wyandanch Memorial High School 54 So. 32 nd St. Wyandanch, NY 11798
<u>MLO: Grades: 6 – 8</u> Sharifa Pratt 50 STUDENTS MAX/5 ADULTS	06/22/23 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM BUSES NEEDED (1)	8 th Grade Graduation Five Towns College 305 North Service Road Dix Hills, NY 11736

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the above Field Trip as listed.

Motion by Reed, second by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

CURRICULUM #2

BOARDDOCS REF: #10-D-2

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Research Foundation for The State University of New York (RF) is the largest comprehensive university-connected research foundation in the country. It exists to serve the State University of New York (SUNY) by providing essential administrative services that enable SUNY faculty to focus their efforts on the education of students and the performance of life-changing research across a wide range of disciplines including medicine, engineering, physical sciences, energy, computer science, and social sciences. The RF is a private non-profit education corporation that is tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c) (3).

The Research Foundation supports the advancement of education, research, and discovery at the State University of New York (SUNY) Established in 1951, the RF carries out its responsibilities pursuant to a formal contract with SUNY that has been in force since 1977.

Separate from SUNY, the RF is able to form partnerships that enhance SUNY's education, research, and public service mission, and spur economic development across New York State. The primary service offered by the RF is sponsored programs administration. The infrastructure in place for sponsored programs allows for RF to also administer agency funds and assist campuses with establishing affiliated corporations.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the partnership agreement between The Research Foundation and the Wyandanch Union Free School District for the 2023 - 2027 school year.

Motion by Corbin, second by Baker

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

CURRICULUM #3

BOARDDOCS REF: #10-D-3

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Young Life Long Island is a non-denominational Christian organization that endeavors to create a critical point of intersection between Wyandanch teens and adult leaders eager to provide life-giving solutions.

WHEREAS, Young Life’s leaders will embed themselves among the multiple tiers of Wyandanch youth culture serving as coaches, teachers and counselors. Professionally trained adults will lead each program and equip Wyandanch teens to prevail against the corrupt engines of urban culture. Young Life believes that by providing mentorship and encouragement, Wyandanch kids will make better decisions about their lives, friends, education and future;

WHEREAS, Young Life’s program penetrates the trenches of at-risk behavior by mentoring teens caught in the chaos of urban adolescence. During the 2023 – 2024 school year, Young Life will offer services, virtually or “in person”, pending CDC, NYSED guidelines and recommendations. Educational assistance and leadership development in Wyandanch will be provided through two programs and are offered at no cost to the school district. Two of their initiatives include:

- Young Life Club – After School Club designed to build positive healthy relationships
- Sporting Wyandanch – an aerobic exercise in the form of sports such as basketball, volleyball and performance jump-roping.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, reviewed by the Counsel, that the Board of Education approves the agreement between the Wyandanch Union Free School District and Young Life Long Island for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion by Baker, second by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

CURRICULUM #4

Boarddocs Ref: 10-D-4

Destiny Bound, Inc.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Destiny Bound Inc is an IRS 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization organized in 2019, by two lifelong friends whose mission is to become 'Change-Agents' in the community. Our philosophy is 'It takes a Village'. Destiny Bound's goal is to uplift, unify, and strengthen community relationships and youth development by educating, informing, and priding all who participate and take advantage of our services.

We currently service underserved, disinvested communities in the following New York counties; Bronx, Queens, Nassau, and Suffolk. Our targeted population is from birth to college age, male, female, gender neutral and single parents.

Destiny Bound Inc is compounded of volunteers who come from various backgrounds with the same mind frame...uplift your brother and sister. Today, we are currently comprised of four executive members and three board members.

WHEREAS, Destiny Bound, Inc. will provide Bridging the Gap—a financial literacy workshop designed to engage and education the Wyandanch Memorial High School students about financial literacy, independence and stability. Designed to help change the mindset of our participants on how they spend and invest their dollars. Also, reinforcing the importance of completing high school and attaining a tertiary education.

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, reviewed by the Counsel, that the Board of Education be authorized to approve the consultant services between the Wyandanch Union Free School District and Destiny Bound, Inc. for the 2023-2024 school year. (Scope of work is attached.)

There will be no fees incurred by the Wyandanch Union Free School District.

Motion by Baker, second by Corbin

Motion carried 5-0-0

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday	X		
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			
Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		

CURRICULUM #5

Starflower Experiences

Boarddocs Ref: #10-D-5

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

WHEREAS, Starflower Experiences is applying to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Office of Environmental Justice for a project grant under the Disadvantaged Community Air Quality Monitoring Opportunity to be located at Milton L. Olive Middle School AND the Wyandanch Public Library, sites located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Wyandanch Union Free School District Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, as a requirement of the program, said not-for-profit must obtain the “approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located”,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Education of the Wyandanch Union Free School District hereby does approve and endorse the application of Starflower Experiences for a grant under the Disadvantaged Community Air Quality Monitoring Opportunity for a project known as “Air Quality as related to health in Wyandanch” and located within this community.

Motion by Corbin, second by Baker

Motion carried 4-0-1

VOTE BREAKDOWN BY TRUSTEE

Trustee Name	In Favor	Opposed	Abstaining
President Jarod B. Morris	X		
Vice President Nancy Holliday			X
Trustee Shirley Baker	X		
Trustee James Crawford			
Trustee Charlie B. Reed	X		
Trustee Latesha S. Walker			

Trustee Kathy Corbin	X		
----------------------	---	--	--

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 pm by Baker, seconded by Corbin Motion carried 5-0-0

**Minutes Recorded and Transcribed
By District Clerk**

**Date of Meeting: June 14, 2023
WORK SESSION**

Jessica Reed

Jessica Reed