

HARBORFIELDS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
GREENLAWN, NEW YORK

Kind of Meeting	-	Special Meeting
Date of Meeting	-	June 24, 2014
Place of Meeting	-	OMS Cafeteria
Board Members Present	-	Dr. McDonagh, Mr. Banks, Ms. Boba, Mr. Lee, and Mr. Mastroianni
Board Members Absent	-	Ms. Gaughan and Mr. Giuliano
Others Present	-	Ms. Todaro, Dr. Ianni, Mr. Nimmo, Ms. Whelan, and Community Members

Dr. McDonagh called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. He led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and instructed those in attendance where to exit the building in case of an emergency.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident had questions on the fees for facilities plan. While he acknowledged that he hadn't seen the actual plan, he expressed concern that it may necessitate his organization to raise their fees by as much as 18% for the season. He questioned how the tiers were defined and whether there would be additional charges for using lights and bathroom facilities. Mr. Nimmo explained the criteria used in developing the tier levels and indicated that use of lights and bathrooms would result in an additional fee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Ms. Todaro acknowledged departing Board member, Michael Banks, and thanked him for his service to the district. She commented on his tremendous support of students, school events, athletics and his prior service on the district's Shared Decision Making Committee. Mr. Banks thanked the Board, district administration, his family, and the community; stating that his time on the Board of Education was a wonderful experience. Although he is stepping down as a Board member, Mr. Banks assured everyone that he will most certainly remain an active participant in the school community.

FINANCE

4.1 Fees for Facilities Plan

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Mastroianni, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Fees for Facilities Plan, as attached to the official minutes of June 24, 2014, was accepted.

4.2 Real Property Tax Exemption for Gold Star Parents

Whereas, paragraph (b) of subdivision 7 of section 458-a of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York allows the District to provide tax exemptions to “Gold Star Parents,” as defined by section 458-a, who are owners of qualified real property in the District and such property is the primary residence of such Gold Star Parent, and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the community to provide such relief to the Gold Star Parents residing in our District, it is hereby resolved,

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education elects to participate in the exemptions afforded to “Gold Star Parents” of Real Property Tax Law section 458-a, subdivision 7, paragraph (b), and

Further, the District adopts the statutory basic maximums as defined by Real Property Tax Law section 458-a, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a) and (b) for its maximums for exemptions of Real Property Tax Law section 458-a, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a) and (b).

4.3 Real Property Tax Exemption for Veterans

Whereas, Chapter 518, section 458-a, subdivision 2, paragraph (d), subparagraph (i), of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, allows the District to provide tax exemptions to certain qualified owners of qualified real property who are veterans, as defined by section 458-a, and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the community to provide such relief to the veterans of our District, it is hereby resolved,

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Ms. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education elects to participate in the exemptions of Real Property Tax Law section 458-a, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a), (b), and (c), and

Further, the District adopts the statutory basic maximums as defined by Real Property Tax Law section 458-a, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) for its maximums for exemptions of Real Property Tax Law section 458-a, subdivision 2, paragraphs (a), (b), and (c).

HUMAN RESOURCES

5.1 Leave of Absence

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried (5-0), this item was tabled to allow for additional discussion by the Board of Education.

Name	Assignment	School	Dates Paid	Dates Unpaid
Mary Williams	Special Education Teacher	WDPS	N/A	7/1/14 - 6/30/15

5.2 Professional Appointments

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Mr. Lee, and carried (5-0), this item was tabled to allow for additional discussion by the Board of Education.

Probationary		
Name	School	Assignment
Mary Williams	WDPS / OMS	K-8 Assistant Principal

5.3 Resignation

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Ms. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following resignation was accepted:

- Abner, Megan, Summer Technology Intern, District-wide, effective the close of business July 3, 2014

5.4 Music & Art Training Consultant

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Beth Turano was appointed as Music & Art Training Consultant effective July 1, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$32.68.

5.5 Summer Worker

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Mastroianni, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following summer personnel were appointed:

SUMMER TECHNOLOGY INTERN (Emergency Conditional) JUNE 23, 2014 - AUGUST 29, 2014				
Name	Assignment	School	Hours Per Day	Hourly Rate*
William Radovich	Student Intern II (Technology)	District-wide	5	\$9.79

*Per the 2013/14 Salary Schedule

5.6 Salary Schedule for Non-Bargaining Unit

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Mastroianni, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the salary schedule for non-bargaining unit personnel was approved in accordance with the attachment to the official minutes of June 24, 2014.

INSTRUCTION

6.1 Stipulation of Settlement and Release

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Mastroianni, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approved a Stipulation of Settlement and Release for a student identified on Confidential Schedule "A" as attached to the official minutes of June 24, 2014, and authorized the President of the Board of Education to execute the Stipulation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Mastroianni, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried (5-0), the Board and district office administrators moved to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular individual.

The Board reconvened the special meeting at 8:05 p.m.

HUMAN RESOURCES

5.1 Leave of Absence

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Ms. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following leave of absence was approved:

Name	Assignment	School	Dates Paid	Dates Unpaid
Mary Williams	Special Education Teacher	WDPS	N/A	7/1/14 - 6/30/15

5.2 Professional Appointments

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Boba, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried (4-1), with Mr. Mastroianni dissenting, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,

the following professional appointment, in accordance with the schedule attached to the official minutes of June 24, 2014, was approved. Mr. Mastroianni noted for the record that his dissent on this item was related to the issue of salary, not the appointment of the individual to the position.

Probationary		
Name	School	Assignment
Mary Williams	WDPS / OMS	K-8 Assistant Principal

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Boba, seconded by Mr. Lee, and carried (5-0), the Board and the Superintendent moved to Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of conducting the Superintendent's Evaluation.

The Board reconvened the special meeting at 9:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Mastroianni, and carried (5-0), the Board adjourned the special meeting of June 24, 2014 at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon M. Whelan
District Clerk