

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ossining Union Free School District  
Ossining, NY**

**Work Session/Regular Meeting  
Ossining High School Library**

**March 25, 2015  
Regular Meeting: 7:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Bill Kress, Board President, Kimberly Case, Vice President, Graig Galef, Dana Levenberg, Lisa Murray, Frank Schneckner, Steve Wardwell

**Others**

**Present:** Raymond Sanchez, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Angela White, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, Alita Zuber, Assistant Superintendent for Business

**1. Opening of the Meeting – Board President**

**1.1 Call to Order**

Board President Bill Kress called the March 25, 2015 Regular Meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

**1.2 Pledge of Allegiance**

Frank Schneckner led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.3 Prouds**

Board President Bill Kress shared the following:

- Ossining has been named Best Community for Music Education for 5 years in a row
- The OHS Girls Basketball Team has been named NYS Champions for 3 years in a row
- Harlem Magic Masters will play against Ossining staff on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>
- The OHS Marching Band will perform in the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade
- AMD's *Got Talent* event raised over \$1,600 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Pennies for Patients
- The latest O-Nation Video has been posted on our web site
- OHS alumni and author Dana Goldstein will speak at OHS tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m.
- Excellent production of Loserville took place last week at OHS
- OHS students Juliet Ivanov and Lorenzo Muranelli have been invited to tour labs at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
- OHS student Juliet Ivanov received 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Upstate New York Junior Science and Humanities Symposium
- Director of Cultural Arts Bradley Morrison was elected Vice President of Band Directors Association
- OBots Team 4122 placed 15th out of 66 in the NYC First Robotics Regional Competition at Jacob Javits Center
- AMD students participate in Saturday Science Academy at Pace University
- Roosevelt students presented an encore tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- All are welcome to attend the "renaming ceremony" of the Anne M. Dorner Middle School track to the "John Covert Track and Field Facility" on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### 1.4 Report from the Student Representative to the Board

Ossining High School Student Representative to the Board, Ms. Charlotte Keeley, provided the following update:

##### Awards

- It has been an incredible month for Ossining Science Research!
  - Five Ossining students were selected out of 420 to compete in the International Science And Engineering Fair
  - Elizabeth Keeley was the first student in the Medicine Category to win a trip to compete in ISWEEP
  - Additionally, countless other students placed at the competition and were awarded special awards
  - Charlie Gulian, Ossining's Intel Finalist, met President Obama in Washington DC
  - Three Ossining students won a trip to national JSHS. Juliet Ivanov and Elizabeth Keeley placed first and second at the Albany Fair and will compete in the national competition.
  - Ossining students also placed second and third in their categories at JSHS
  - It is recruitment time for freshmen in the science research program. The freshmen are submitting their application essays
- Congratulations to the OHS Girls Basketball Team for winning first in the New York State section 1 - this is the third year in a row!
- PR/HYLI Delegation: Nicole Ruiz, Brandon Villa Morocho, Johanna Quituisaca, Daniel Rivie, Joscelyn Saldana.

##### Events

- Ossining High School's semi-formal for the junior class will take place on Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>
- Former professional NBA player Chris Herren is coming to speak to the juniors on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. The junior English classes watched the documentary *Unguarded* about his struggle with drugs and journey to recovery.
- The Ossining High School band played in two Saint Patricks Day Parades: Sleepy Hollow and New York City
- The high school band is playing for the middle schoolers the week after break
- On April 15<sup>th</sup> two teams of Ossining High School students will compete in the Annual Envirothon in Fishkill.
- Tomorrow night freshmen students are invited to watch the movie version of John Steinbeck's novel *Of Mice and Men*

#### 1.5 Report from Proyecto ALCANCE

The representative from Proyecto ALCANCE had a conflict and was unable to attend tonight's Board meeting.

## 1.6 Special Recognition

Superintendent of Schools Raymond Sanchez read aloud an editorial featured in “LoHud” recognizing the Ossining High School Girls Basketball Team for winning their third consecutive Class AA State Championship! Mr. Sanchez also shared that the members of the team are not only successful on the court, but also in the classroom.

Mr. Sanchez introduced Town Supervisor Susan Donnelly who presented the Ossining Girls Basketball Team with a proclamation. Ms. Donnelly read the proclamation aloud for the benefit of all present.

Athletic Director James Dennett thanked the members of the Board of Education, Mr. Sanchez and Ms. Donnelly for recognizing the team. Mr. Dennett thanked the parents of the students, Head Coach Dan Ricci, the coaches and trainer for their support and dedication. Mr. Dennett invited Head Coach Dan Ricci to join him at the podium to present each student with a certificate of recognition signed by Board President Bill Kress and Superintendent of Schools Raymond Sanchez.

Coach Dan Ricci thanked everyone for their support and congratulated the Ossining High School Girls Basketball Team for their great accomplishments. At the conclusion of the presentation of the certificates, Mr. Kress announced that the meeting will pause for a few minutes to offer parents and audience members an opportunity to take photographs. Ossining School District teacher and District photographer Harry Quiroga was present to take the team photographs.

Board of Education members congratulated the team and wished them continued success.

Superintendent of Schools Mr. Sanchez shared a brief video of the team made up of pictures taken at various games and during their Class AA State Championship win memorializing their successful season.

## 2. Work Session

### 2.1 Update Regarding New York State Education Department Requirements Regarding Graduation and Part 154

Ossining High School Principal Joshua Mandel provided an update, via a PowerPoint presentation entitled, “Pathways to Graduation,” regarding the new New York State Regents requirements for graduation from high school, and college and career preparation.

- Students earning a Regents Diploma need a balanced curriculum including:
  - English Language Arts
  - Math
  - US History and Government
  - Global History
  - A Language other than English
  - Art
  - Physical Education and Health
- Earn a minimum of 22 high school credits and meet required elements of their assessment pathway

Proposed amendments create graduation pathways in the Humanities, STEM, Biliteracy, CTE and the Arts. In addition to all four Regents exams or approved alternative exams, students must pass (English, Math, Science and Social Studies), students may meet the fifth exam by passing one of the exams in the pathways mentioned above.

Board discussion took place.

Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services Dr. Angela White and Director of English as a Second Language Ms. Mirla Puello provided an update, via a PowerPoint presentation, regarding New York State changes to Part 154.

Although no guidelines have been provided by the State, the changes have been made to the following processes:

- Identification of English Language Learners (ELL) and ELL's with Disabilities
- Parent Notifications
- Retention of Records
- ELL Program Placement – now known as ENL (English as a New Language)
- Program Requirements and Provision of Programs
- Grade Span – 2 grades only (i.e. 9-10) instead of 4 grades (i.e. 9-12)
- Program Continuity as initially enrolled
- ELL Exit Criteria
- Intervention Support
- Professional Development for Staff – assist teachers to meet the needs of ELL students
- School District Reporting

Dr. White and Ms. Puello reviewed each of the areas referenced above. In addition to the above, Board Policy will be aligned so that the District is in compliance with Part 154 amendments. As soon as the State hands down guidelines regarding these new changes, the District will have a better sense of its impact, if any, on the budget.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Board discussion took place.

## **2.2 District Budget 2015-2016**

Superintendent of Schools Raymond Sanchez and Assistant Superintendent for Business Alita Zuber provided an overview, via a PowerPoint presentation, of the Proposed 2015-2016 Budget.

Ms. Zuber reviewed the fiscal aspects of the Proposed 2015-2016 Budget and stated that it is fiscally “smart”:

- Energy Wise
  - Due to gas and fuel upgrades, the total gas and fuel budget is reduced by \$160,000
- Qualified for Homeowner Refund Check
  - The District's savings realized in health and transportation expenses since July 1, 2012 has made it possible for homeowners to be eligible for rebate checks in 2015-2016 to offset the tax levy increase.
- Reduced Reliance on Savings to Balance Budget

- “The New York State Comptroller has warned that reliance on and depletion of Fund Balance is a sign that a school district is under fiscal stress.” That is not the case with the District. Fund Balance appropriation in the final revenue projections for the upcoming school year are dependent upon the outcome of the New York State Budget.
- \$41.5M Bond Promise Kept – no Tax Levy Impact

Mr. Sanchez stated that the proposed budget maintains class size and optimizes space. Mr. Sanchez stated that if State Aid increases, the following will be included in the proposed budget:

- Grade 2 Teacher
- Enrichment Teacher
- Emergency Teacher
- Instructional Coach (.5/.5)
- Additional Professional Development Opportunities

Audience members were reminded of upcoming Board of Education meeting dates:

- April 8, 2015 – Special Meeting
- April 21, 2015 – Regular Meeting – Budget Adoption
- May 12, 2015 – Budget Hearing
- May 19, 2015 – Budget Vote – OHS Gymnasium from 7:00 AM – 9:00 PM

Board discussion took place at the conclusion of the presentation.

### **3. Audience Recognition – Agenda Items Only**

**None.**

### **4. Regular Meeting: Business of the Board**

Frank Schneckler moved and Lisa Murray seconded the motion to move resolutions 4.1 through 4.8.

#### **4.1 Resolution Setting the Date of the Annual District Election of the Ossining Union Free School District**

**RESOLVED**, that the Annual Budget Statutory Hearing of the Ossining Union Free School District will be held in the Ossining High School Library, 29 South Highland Avenue, Ossining, County of Westchester, New York on Tuesday, May 12, 2015; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Annual District Election of the Ossining Union Free School District will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 in the Harvey Culp Gymnasium at Ossining High School, 29 South Highland Avenue, Ossining, County of Westchester, New York. Voting will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **4.2 Resolution Appointing Additional Consultants for the 2014-2015 School Year**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to engage the services of the following consultants for the 2014-2015 school

year at fees not to exceed the amount noted below.

<b>Name of Consultant</b>	<b>Brief Description of Expertise</b>	<b>Descriptive Need for Consultant</b>	<b>Consultation Fee Not to Exceed</b>
Jacob Burns	Writing and Film	Support AMD and OHS in writing and filming immigration stories.	\$3,600 [Project Excel – Grant Funded]
Teatown Lake Reservation	Local Environmental and Education Organization	Teatown Lake Reservation will bring the <i>Nurtured by Nature</i> program to the Pre-Kindergarten classrooms, a hands-on program to promote learning about ecology, natural systems and sustainable living.	\$5,040 [Grant Funded – Full Day Pre-K Grant]

**4.3 Resolution to Approve a Stipulation of Settlement**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves a Stipulation of Settlement in connection with a special education matter, a copy of which has previously been reviewed by members of the Board of Education; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said Stipulation of Settlement on behalf of the Board.

**4.4 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session of February 11, 2015**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 11, 2015.

**4.5 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 25, 2015**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 25, 2015.

**4.6 Resolution Regarding Creation of a Central Office Administrative Position – Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received from the Superintendent of Schools recommendations for the reorganization of Central Office Administration for the 2015-2016 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the Ossining Union Free School District to effectuate said recommendation; and

WHEREAS, based upon those recommendations the Board of Education determined that there is an operational need to create the position of Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning, effective July 1, 2015; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2015, the Board of Education authorizes the creation of a new full-time Central Office administrative position of Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning.

**4.7 Resolution Regarding Creation of a Central Office Administrative Position – Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received from the Superintendent of Schools recommendations for the reorganization of Central Office Administration for the 2015-2016 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the Ossining Union Free School District to effectuate said recommendation; and

WHEREAS, based upon those recommendations the Board of Education determined that there is an operational need to create the position of Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services, effective July 1, 2015; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2015, the Board of Education authorizes the creation of a new full-time Central Office administrative position of Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services.

**4.8 Resolution Regarding an Agreement Between the Ossining Union Free School District and the Food Bank for Westchester**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Ossining School District authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute the Agreement with the Food Bank for Westchester.

**Motion carried: 7-0**

**5. Regular Meeting: Curriculum and Instruction**

Kimberly Case moved and Dana Levenberg seconded the motion to move resolution 5.1.

**5.1 Motion to Accept Recommended Placements**

I move that the Board of Education accept the recommended classifications, placements and related services recommended in the IEP for students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and Sub-Committees on Special Education in meetings held on February 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 March 4, 9, 10, 11, 13 and direct the administration to arrange for the appropriate placement as set forth.

**Motion carried: 7-0**

**6. Regular Meeting: Business Office Matters**

Lisa Murray moved and Frank Schneckler seconded the motion to move resolutions 6.1 through 6.12. Resolution 6.13 is for information only and no action is requested.

**6.1 Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report for the Months of November and December 2014**

I move that the November and December 2014 Treasurer's Report be approved and placed on file with the District Clerk.

**6.2 Motion to Approve Budget Report and Revenue Report for November and December 2014**

I move that the Board of Education approve the Budget Report and Revenue Report for November and December 2014 as presented.

**6.3 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Funds from Target Take Charge of Education Program**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby thanks Target for their donation of \$38.69 through their Take Charge of Education Program, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the General fund budget as detailed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A 2705-000, "Gifts and Donations".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the amount of \$38.69 be appropriated into the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
A-2110-500-12-0000	\$38.69	Supplies

**6.4 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Funds from NYSIR**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$10,267.79 as listed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A 2680.000

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
1621-438-00-0000	\$10,267.79	Maintenance of Plant

**6.5 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Gift of Funds from the Katonah Museum of Art**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks a gift in the amount of \$1680.00 from The Katonah Museum of Art to the Park Early Childhood Center for its Pre-K classes to visit the Katonah Museum of Art.

The funds will be accounted for in the Special Aid Fund. The revenue code shall be F-UP15-2770.000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the total amount of \$1,680.00 be appropriated to the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
UP15-5540-401-00S	Transportation	\$1,680.00

**6.6 Resolution Regarding Cooperative Bid with Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES**

WHEREAS it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Putnam Northern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services adopting this Resolution to bid jointly in those supplies, commodities, materials and equipment set forth below.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ossining Union Free School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Putnam Northern Westchester Board of Educational Services, Westchester County, New York adopting this in the joint bidding of:

<u>Participation</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Art Supplies	X	
Auto Replacement Parts	X	
Custodial & Culinary Art Supplies	X	
Fine Paper Supplies	X	
Health Supplies	X	
Office/General Supplies	X	
Automotive Supplies	X	
Auto Body Supplies	X	
Carpentry Supplies	X	
Construction Electricity	X	
Commercial Supplies	X	
HVAC Supplies	X	
Plumbing Supplies	X	
Science School and Lab Supplies	X	
Science Hardware and Science Art Supplies	X	
Urban Forestry	X	
Welding Supplies	X	
<b>TIME AND MATERIALS</b>		
Painting (General Wall Painting)	X	
Asphalt Paving and Site Work	X	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall remain in effect until June 30, 2016, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED 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. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said Commodities.

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.

**6.7 Resolution Regarding Amendment to the Rich Royster Memorial Scholarship**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accepts the amended agreement for the Rich Royster Helping Hand Scholarship and hereby acknowledges with thanks a gift in the amount of \$500.00 from Jacqueline Royster for the Rich Royster Helping Hand Scholarship. The funds will be accounted for in the 2014-15 TE-ROYS-2705.000 revenue account.

**6.8 Resolution Regarding Tax Certiorari Payment to 45 S Highland Avenue**

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the tax certiorari payment of \$13,344.19 to Michael Kelly and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$6,670.75 from assessment 2013 year be paid from current funds resulting in a reduction of tax revenue and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the increase of the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$6,583.44 for the payment of assessment year 2012 and appropriates these funds from the Tax Certiorari Reserves in payment of the tax certiorari as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1964-404-0000	Refund Property Tax	\$6,583.44

**6.9 Resolution Regarding Tax Certiorari Payment to South Highland Avenue LLC.**

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the tax certiorari payment of \$244,849.92 South Highland Avenue LLC. and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$45,465.95 from assessment 2013 year be paid from current funds resulting in a reduction of tax revenue and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the increase of the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$199,383.97 for the payment of assessment years 2009 through 2013 and appropriates these funds from the Tax Certiorari Reserves in payment of the tax certiorari as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1964-404-0000	Refund Property Tax	\$199,383.97

**6.10 Resolution Regarding Tax Certiorari Payment to 46 Grace Lane**

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the tax certiorari payment of \$78,238.84 to Robert Gatti and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$12,886.98 from assessment 2013 year be paid from current funds resulting in a reduction of tax revenue and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education approves the increase of the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$65,351.86 for the payment of assessment years 2009 through 2012 and appropriates these funds from the Tax Certiorari Reserves in payment of the tax certiorari as follows:

Code	Description	Amount
A-1964-404-0000	Refund Property Tax	\$65,351.86

**6.11 Motion to Approve Quarterly Treasurer’s Student Fund Report for October to December 2014**

I move that the October to December 2014 Student Fund Treasurer’s Report be approved and placed on file with the District Clerk.

**6.12 Resolution Regarding Interfund Transfers**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute interfund transfers as specified below.

From: A 2251-200-01-0400 Special Education Equipment  
To: A 1620-550-01-0400 B&G Equip.  
Amount: \$14,956.49  
Reason: Office furniture move at Central Office must be appropriated to the proper codes.

From: A 2331-152-00-4000 AIS-Teacher Salaries-ELA  
To: A 2331-156-00-4000 AIS-Prof Develop-ELA Sum Academy  
Amount: \$12,783.73  
Reason: To increase AIS-Professional Development Budget for ELA Summer Academy

From: H A-RS15-1620-247-16-15 Environmental Testing  
To: H A-RS15-1620-293-16-15 Construction  
Amount: \$130,051.00  
Reason: Transfer to correctly allocate budget for Roosevelt Renovation

From: H A-RS15-1620-299-16-15 \$276,414.00 Contingency  
To: H A-RS15-1620-293-16-15 \$105,414.00 Construction  
To: H A-RS15-1620-294-16-15 \$45,000.00 HVAC  
To: H A-RS15-1620-296-16-15 \$54,000.00 Electric  
To: H A-RS15-1620-245-16-15 \$72,000.00 Architect  
Reason: Transfer to correctly allocate budget for Roosevelt Renovation

From: A 2110-140-00-0000 Teach Sal Substitutes \$128,000.00  
A 2110-140-11-0000 OHS Substitutes \$ 8,000.00  
A 2110-140-12-0000 AMD Substitutes \$10,000.00  
A 2110-140-13-0000 BRK Substitutes \$10,000.00  
A 2110-140-14-0000 CLR Substitutes \$7,000.00  
A 2110-140-15-0000 PRK Substitutes \$1,000.00  
A 2110-140-16-0000 ROS Substitutes \$4,000.00  
A 2250-140-00-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$10,000.00  
A 2110-140-00-0000 Teach Sal Substitutes \$ 800.00  
A 2110-140-00-0000 Teach Sal Substitutes \$3,000.00  
To: A 2110-145-00-0000 Sub. Salaries Long Term \$128,000.00  
A 2250-140-11-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$8,000.00  
A 2250-140-12-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$10,000.00  
A 2250-140-13-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$10,000.00  
A 2250-140-14-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$7,000.00  
A 2250-140-15-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$1,000.00  
A 2250-140-16-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$4,000.00  
A 2250-145-00-0000 L/T Special Ed Inst. Subs \$10,000.00

A 2250-145-00-0000 L/T Special Ed Inst. Subs \$ 800.00  
 A 2250-140-15-0000 Special Ed Instructional Subs \$3,000.00  
 Amount: \$181,000.00  
 Reason To Adjust Special Education Substitutes

From: A 2110-480-15-0000 Instructional Texts Park  
 To: A 2110-480-11-5014 Instructional Texts OHS  
 Amount: \$9,000.00  
 Reason: Transfer to cover balance for the OHS ELA textbooks

**Motion carried: 7-0**

**6.13 Claims Audited and Paid – For Information Only**

The following funds have been duly audited and paid and are presented for Board of Education members’ information. No action is requested.

1. General Fund - Fund A
2. School Lunch - Fund C
3. Special Aid Fund - Fund F
4. Capital Fund – Fund H
5. Trust Expendable - TE

**7. Regular Meeting: Personnel Matters**

Kimberly Case moved and Dana Levenberg seconded the motion to move resolutions 7.1 through 7.13.

**7.1 Resolution Regarding Tenure Appointment(s)**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education grant tenure to the Professional Staff member(s) so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Building	Tenure Area	Date of Prob. Appointment	Tenure Date
Zhinin-Yanqui	Jessica	Anne M. Dorner Middle School	Industrial Arts/Technology	4/16/2012	4/16/2015

**7.2 Resolution Regarding Rescinding of Bus Attendant Appointment(s)**

**RESOLVED**, that the appointment of employee ID number 04600 be rescinded.

**7.3 Resolution Regarding Administrative Resignation(s)**

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation(s) of the administrative staff member so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Building	Category or Tenure Area	Current Hire Date	Eff. Date of Resign./Term.	Current Appt. Status	Reason
Naughton	Erica	AMD	Assistant Principal	9/1/2012	6/30/2015	Probationary	Resignation

#### 7.4 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Resignation(s)

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation(s) of the Professional Staff members so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Building	Category or Tenure Area	Current Hire Date	Eff. Date of Resign./Term.	Current Appt. Status	Reason
Esposito-Plotkin	Stephanie	Park	Elementary	9/1/2000	9/1/2015	Tenured	Resignation

#### 7.5 Resolution Regarding Bus Attendant Resignation(s)

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation(s) of the Bus Attendant members so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Current Hire Date	Eff. Date of Resign./Term.	Reason
Devescoui	Claudia	2/23/2015	2/23/2015	Resignation
Moronta	Maria	1/26/2015	2/27/2015	Resignation

#### 7.6 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointment(s)

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointment(s) so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Tenure Area	Certif. Status	Degree Status	Step	Salary	Appt. Type	% Time	Effect. Date	Expir. Date	Bldg.	Fund Source	Staff Relation or Note
Burke	Stephen	Tennis Varsity Head Boys Coach	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$5,151.00	Annual	100%	March 9, 2015	June 1, 2015	OHS	A	
Nethersole	Jacqueline	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	N-6 Permanent	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Roosevelt Teacher
Puello	Mirla	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	School Adm & Supv Perm, N-6 Perm	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Director of Elementary Literacy & ESL
Reynolds	Corey	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	School Adm & Supv Perm, Sch Dist Adm Perm, N-6 Perm	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Roosevelt Principal
Mathews	Kathryn	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	Sch Dist Admin Perm, Music, Perm	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Claremont Principal

Feeks	Gina	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	N-6 Perm, Reading Perm	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Park Teacher
Abrantes	Antonio	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	Eng to Spkrs of Oth Lang Initial	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Park Teacher
Beck	Brandon	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	1-6 Initial, Child Ed 1-6 Prof	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Roosevelt Teacher
Roos	Jennie	STLE-D Multi District Collaborative Inquire Teacher Participant	N-6 Permanent	n/a	n/a	\$1,500.00	Annual	100%	March 26, 2015	June 30, 2015	District	Grant	Claremont Teacher

### 7.7 Resolution Regarding Support Staff Appointment(s)

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Support Staff appointment(s) so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Certif. Status	Job Title	Building	Step	Salary	% Time	Appt. Type	Effect. Date	Expir. Date
Crociata	Samantha	Stud w/ Dis 1-6 Initial, Literacy B-6 Initial, Early Child Ed B-2 Initial, Child Ed 1-6 Initial	Teaching Assistant	Brookside	1	21,433.00 (6,300.99)	89%	Annual	3/23/2015	6/30/2015

### 7.8 Resolution Regarding Bus Attendant Appointment(s)

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Bus Attendants appointments so noted.

Position	Building	Effective Date	End Date	First	Last	Rate
Bus Attendant	District	3/9/2015	6/30/2015	Lynette	Hicks	14.00/hr

### 7.9 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Appointment(s) – Before/After/Summer Programs

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointment(s) so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Cert. Status	Step	Salary	Appt. Type	Program	Building	% Time	Fund	Effective Date	Expir. Date	Staff Relations
Nugent	William	Earth Science 7-12 Professional	5	68.60/hr	Annual	Star	Anne M. Dorner Middle School	1 hour/1 day a week	A	4/14/2015	6/18/2015	AMD Teacher
Macaluso	Joseph	Earth Science 7-12 Permanent	5	68.60/hr	Annual	Star	Anne M. Dorner Middle School	1 hour/1 day a week	A	4/14/2015	6/18/2015	AMD Teacher
Cavorti	Alyssa	English Language Arts 7-12 Initial	1	48.31/hr	Annual	Star	Anne M. Dorner Middle School	1 hour/1 day a week	A	4/14/2015	6/18/2015	AMD Teacher
Gentile	Joseph	Earth Science 7-12 Initial	1	48.31/hr	Annual	Star	Anne M. Dorner Middle School	1 hour/1 day a week	A	4/14/2015	6/18/2015	AMD Teacher

**7.10 Resolution Regarding Support Staff Appointment(s) – Before/After/Summer Programs**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Support Staff appointment(s) for the persons so noted.

Last Name	First Name	Certif. Status	Job Title	Bldg.	Step	Salary	Program	% Time	Appt. Type	Effect. Date	Expir. Date	Staff Relation or Note
King	Rhona	Continuous	Teaching Assistant Substitute	AMD	1	15.42/hr	Star	As Needed	Annual	3/16/2015	6/24/2015	AMD TA
King	Rhona	n/a	School Monitor Substitute	AMD	1	13.44/hr	Star	As Needed	Annual	3/16/2015	6/24/2015	AMD TA
Crociata	Samantha	Stud w/ Dis 1-6 Initial, Literacy B-6 Initial, Early Child Ed B-2 Initial, Child Ed 1-6 Initial	Teaching Assistant	Brookside	1	15.42/hr	Breakfast Supervision	As Needed	Annual	3/23/2015	6/24/2015	Brookside TA

**7.11 Resolution Regarding Per Diem Substitute Appointment(s)**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Per Diem Substitute appointments for the person(s) so noted.

Name	Certified	Subject
Christensen, Justin	C	Mathematics 7-12 Initial

**7.12 Resolution Regarding Volunteer Appointment(s)**

I move that the persons listed on the following page be appointed by the Board of Education as school volunteers for the 2014-2015 school year.

Last Name	First Name	Volunteer Title	Start	End	Building	Type
Variano	Michael	Non Parent/Guardian	3/9/2015	6/1/2015	OHS	Baseball Coach

**7.13 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Request for Personal Leave**

In accordance with our contract with the Ossining Teachers Association, teachers are entitled to medical/personal leave without pay on a yearly basis not to exceed (3) years. The following is a request for personal leave.

Last Name	First Name	Building	Category or Tenure Area	Leave Start	Leave End	Reason
Angeles	Kristina	Claremont	Elementary	9/1/2015	6/30/2016	Leave to take a Probationary ESL position at Claremont/Park School

**Motion carried: 7-0**

**8. For Information Only**

**8.1 Enrollment Report**

The matter is presented here for information only and no action is requested.

**9. Audience Recognition**

None.

**10. Board Committee/Liaison Reports and Board Dialogue**

Board of Education members reported on the following:

- New York State is exploring the idea of using microgrids to provide alternate, no cost backup energy for school districts
- “On Board” magazine featured an article regarding the New York State Intel Science competition and winners
- Discussions will continue in the near future regarding the possibility of changing the day of the week when Board meetings are held from Wednesday to Thursday
- The conference held on March 12<sup>th</sup> regarding the achievement gap held in the Pace University Law School was well-attended by community members, social workers, teachers and parents. Board Trustee Frank Schneckner was in attendance as was Dr. Angela White, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services.
- Ossining MATTERS’ Annual Fundraising Event will be held on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Jambalaya Jazz Band will provide entertainment.

**11. Motion Made to Enter into Executive Session**

At 9:38 p.m. Lisa Murray moved and Steve Wardwell seconded the motion to enter into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

**Motion carried: 7-0**

*No formal action was taken.*

**12. Motion to Reconvene the Regular Meeting**

At 10:40 p.m. Frank Schecker moved and Lisa Murray seconded the motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2015 for the purpose of adjournment.

**Motion carried: 7-0**

**13. Adjournment**

At 10:41 p.m. Dana Levenberg moved and Lisa Murray seconded the motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of March 25, 2015.

**Motion carried: 7-0**

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Ileana Ortiz  
District Clerk