

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**                    **DEIRDRE BURNS**  
   **DEIRDRE d’ALBERTIS**  
   **MARK FLEISCHHAUER**  
   **STEVE JENKINS**  
   **DIANE LYONS**  
   **LISA ROSENTHAL**

**MEMBER ABSENT:**                    **LAURA SCHULKIND**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**                    **JOSEPH PHELAN, THOMAS BURNELL,**  
   **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**1.0 Call to Order**

President Fleischhauer called the meeting to order in the RHS/BMS Library at 7:32 pm.

**2.0 Approval of Minutes**

**2.1 Motion** by d’Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2017 Regular Meeting\*

**VOTE: 5 AYE (Burns, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);**

**0 NAY; 1 ABSTAIN (d’Albertis); 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3.0 Public Comment**

None

**4.0 Reports and Discussion**

**4.1 2017-18 Budget Development Update\***

Superintendent Phelan reported that the District continues working through the process of developing the budget and looking at options for closing the gap between where we are now and the tax levy cap limit. Superintendent Phelan shared that although there are no proposals to present to the Board yet, his take-away from the last meeting was that the Board preferred that the District look at potential budget reductions that would not impact programs and services for students and that would, as much as possible, maintain full-time positions. He suggested that the Board may wish to give some thought to going to the voters with a budget that exceeds the tax cap, should the District not be able to bring an acceptable budget within those parameters. The District is waiting for final Foundation Aid figures from the State budget and for final numbers for health insurance costs.

Lisa Rosenthal requested information of the Governor’s originally proposed funding for the District and what was actually received after the state passed the governor’s budget.

**4.2 Nominations and Elections for Dutchess BOCES Board Seats\***

Superintendent Phelan reminded the Board that should there be any interest, nominations must be submitted to DC BOCES by March 9th. Nominations need not be a Board member, as interested community members may be nominated.

**5.0 Comments**

**5.1 Good News**

Superintendent Phelan reported that his service trip to Nicaragua with the Rhinebeck Interact Club, all RHS students, went very well. It was thoroughly enjoyable to work with our students as they worked together to help a school and their students in another country by building a much-needed elementary school classroom.

**5.2 Old Business**

None

**5.3 Public Comment**

None

**5.4 Other**

None

**6.0 Action Items**

**6.1 Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to approve the following consent items:

**6.1.1 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the CSE and CPSE recommendations.\*

**6.1.2 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the Treasurers' Report (General Fund, January 2017; Extra Classroom Fund, January 2017).\*

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d'Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);**

**0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**6.2 Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to approve additional Spring coaches for the 2016-17 school year:\*

Varsity Track (Throwing, Pole Vault)	Ryan Cimorelli	\$4,032
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Modified Softball	Henry Frischknecht	\$2,365
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**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d'Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);**

**0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**6.3 Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to approve the list of additional

emergency conditional substitute non-instructional staff for the 2016-17 school year.\*

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d’Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6.4 \*\*\*\*\*TABLED\*\*\*\*\****Motion upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve an additional extension of a leave request from Patty Dannemann, having commenced on September 1, 2016, with such leave to be taken as unpaid maternity leave through August 31, 2018.\**

**Motion** by Rosenthal, seconded by Burns, the Board voted to TABLE Item 6.4 for discussion in Executive Session.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d’Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6.5** **Motion** by d’Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to approve the following permanent Civil Service Appointments: John Bandstrom, Food Service Helper; and Susan Fitzgerald, Food Service Helper effective March 7, 2017.\*

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d’Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6.6** **Motion** by d’Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to accept the following donations in support of Melanie Gates afterschool enrichment program “Eco-Warriors” as follows:\*

Tops	\$25.00 Gift Card
Williams Lumber	\$10.00 Gift Card
Countryside Animal Hospital	Catheter & Syringe (Approx. \$10.00)
The Phantom Gardener	Gravel, Ferns, & Soil (\$68.02)

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d’Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

*The Board wished to thank the donors for their contributions.*

- 6.7** **Motion** by d’Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to accept the following donation from Support Our Athletes Rhinebeck (SOAR) in the amount of \$1,890.91 to help offset the cost of the Weather Bug weather station at the Rhinebeck High School.\*

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d’Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)**

**MOTION CARRIED**



**Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, the Board appointed Joseph Phelan as Clerk Pro Tempore.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d'Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)  
MOTION CARRIED**

**Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, the Board voted to return to Regular Session at 8:38 pm.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d'Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)  
MOTION CARRIED**

**6.4 Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board voted to approve an additional extension of a leave request from Patty Dannemann, having commenced on September 1, 2016, with such leave to be taken as unpaid maternity leave through August 31, 2018.\*

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d'Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)  
MOTION CARRIED**

## **8.0 Adjournment**

**Motion** by d'Albertis, seconded by Rosenthal, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:39 pm.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Burns, d'Albertis, Fleischhauer, Jenkins, Lyons, Rosenthal);  
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Schulkind)  
MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Torres  
District Clerk

Joseph Phelan  
Clerk Pro Tempore