

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**LAURA SCHULKIND
MARK FLEISCHHAUER
DIANE LYONS
LIZ RAUM
JACLYN SAVOLAINEN
MATTHEW VANWORMER**

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STEVE JENKINS

OTHERS PRESENT:

**JOSEPH PHELAN, THOMAS BURNELL,
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

REGULAR MEETING

1.0 Call to Order

President Schulkind called the Regular meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.1 Motion by Lyons seconded by Fleischhauer, to approve the May 28, 2019 Regular Meeting*

VOTE: 4 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Raum, Lyons); 0 NAY;

2 ABSTAIN (Savolainen, VanWormer); 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Motion by Lyons seconded by Fleischhauer, to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2019, 2019 Special Meeting*

VOTE: 5 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Savolainen, Raum, Lyons); 0 NAY;

1 ABSTAIN (VanWormer); 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)

MOTION CARRIED

3.0 Public Comment

Kathy Dobson, CLS parent, LRP-CAC member, addressed the Board on the topic of the LRP-CAC recommendations, specifically the suggestion to decrease the non-resident student tuition rate.

Susan St. Clair, RTA president and staff member, along with Kathy Lane, Kindergarten teacher, addressed the Board about the number of Kindergarten sections for the 2019-20 school year.

Coleman High School Athletic Director Jon Zenz spoke to the Board to thank them for allowing the Coleman High School JV Baseball team merger with our team. He stated that it worked out well, except for the weather. He wanted to thank everyone who helped in making it happen.

Stacy Stoliker, A.N.I.E. President, stated that it was a pleasure working with all the retirees these last few years.

4.0 Reports and Discussion

4.1 Recognition of 2018-19 Staff Retirees*

President Shulkind spoke to the audience about each retiree and highlighted their many years of service. The retirees, Robin Berger, Jackie Dedrick, Sandy Kane, Deb Roberg, Amilia (Deb) Squillante, Johanna Bryant, Susan Ruzzi, Susan Volin and Mary Winkler. **MOTION** by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, the Board voted to suspend the rules at 7:16 pm so that those assembled could partake of cake and celebrate the retirees.

VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Savolainen, Raum, Lyons, VanWormer); 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)
MOTION CARRIED

President Schulkind recalled the meeting at 7:36 pm.

4.2 Overview of District Guidance Plan Draft and Social and Emotional Wellness Planning* (E. Davison)

Emily Davison, the District's Director of Special Programs, spoke to the Board about the social and emotional wellness of our students. She discussed the District goals for 2018 – 19 and the upcoming goals for 2019 -20.

After this discussion with the Board, Ms. Davidson moved into a review of the draft District K-12 School Guidance Plan. The plan has four goals and objectives for the District to meet during the year. The plan includes activities throughout the District (i.e., individual counseling, group counseling, peer meditation, etc.), which goals they meet currently with the student populations with which the goals are associated. Ms. Davison also referenced in the Plan the most recent District Climate Survey Data. The Board asked many questions about RULER and student involvement in the social/emotional planning. Superintendent Phelan reminded the Board that the Guidance Plan is required by Commissioner's Regulations. After the initial approval of this Plan at an upcoming Board meeting, the Plan will need to be reviewed and approved by the Board annually.

4.3 Health and Wellness Committee Update* (D. Aierstok)

David Aierstok, the District's Health and Wellness Coordinator, gave a brief update as to the past and future activities of the Health and Wellness Committee. Mr. Aierstok addressed the Board regarding Parent Academy topics. He discussed how the Committee tries not to overlap with other presenters. He reviewed how the Committee determines the dates and times for best parent attendance rates. Diane Lyons suggested that the Committee post the recorded presentations on the District website as often as possible. Superintendent Phelan reminded the BOE that not all presenters allow recording of their presentations. Ms. Lyons also suggested that the presenters should give "real solutions" to the parents.

4.4 +Board Committee Reports (Finance, Curriculum)*

Finance Committee Meeting: Liz Raum read through the minutes for June 6, 2019. The Committee discussed the Bond Anticipation Note for the Capital Project, nVision update, the Cafeteria financial update, the newly State-approved Teacher

Retirement System Reserve Fund, and changes to the STAR program and ESSA. The Board asked Mr. Burnell, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services, to discuss the RTS reserve with the Board at a future meeting.

Curriculum Committee Meeting: Laura Schulkind reviewed the minutes for June 6, 2019. The Committee reviewed the proposed summer curriculum work. Laura explained to the Board the difference between summer study grants and summer curriculum work. Summer study grants are individual grants awarded for a teacher to study a topic related to a curriculum during the summer months. Summer curriculum work involves developing curriculum during the summer, usually with colleagues.

4.5 Updated Draft 2019-20 Board of Education Meeting Schedule*

The Board reviewed the updated calendar for the summer. The 7:00 pm meeting dates (July 2nd, July 30th, and August 13th) will all be located at the Chancellor Livingston Elementary school due to construction at the BMS/RHS building. The District Goals Work Session on July 25th would be located at the District Office Conference Room.

5.0 Comments

5.1 Good News

Laura Schulkind attended the Academic Awards Ceremony and stated that it was wonderful to see so many students receive scholarships and awards. She felt that it was nice that they do this separately from graduation. It was also nice to see the generosity of many awards and scholarships.

Diane Lyons reminded the Board that the Athletic Awards are tomorrow.

Superintendent Phelan stated that he received many positive comments about Hawk Day. Staff members were very supportive of it and would like to see it continue next year.

5.2 Old Business

Laura Schulkind reminded the Board that she still needed to fill Board seats on the Board of Education Committees.

5.3 Public Comment

None.

5.4 Other

Mark Fleischhauer reminded the Board that the DCSBA Annual meeting will be on June 20, 2019 at Arlington High School. Mark has been nominated to be Board President for the coming year.

Superintendent Phelan reminded the Board to let him know if they would like to attend the NYSSBA conference in October located in Rochester. He also needed to

know whether any Board members would like to attend the MHSSC's Annual School Law Conference on August 2, 2019 at Mount St Mary College.

6.0 Action Items

6.1 Motion by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools 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 declare the attached items as surplus for disposal.*
- 6.1.3 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the appointment of additional Summer 2019 Special Education Specialized Instruction Tutors and Service Providers. (See attached.)*
- 6.1.4 +Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the appointment of team leaders and advisors for Bulkeley Middle School for the 2019-20 school year. (See attached list.)*
- 6.1.5 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the appointment of department chairs and advisors for Rhinebeck High School the 2019-20 school year. (See attached.)*
- 6.1.6 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the selection of the textbook On Writing (King, Scribner, 2000) for the AP Literature and Composition course.*
- 6.1.7 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve Summer 2019 curriculum, program, and clerical work. (See attached.)*
- 6.1.8 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the following permanent Civil Service appointments to Amiee Mateo in the position of Food Service Helper, effective June 12, 2019.
- 6.1.9 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to accept grant awards from the Rhinebeck Science Foundation, in support of \$6,225 in total funding for the following projects, as stipulated: 6th Grade Bronx Zoo Field Trip, as submitted by Brenda Palmatier, in the amount of \$2,000; and CLS Human Outdoor Engineering, as submitted by Kevin Yarnell, in the amount of \$4,225.*
- 6.1.10 +Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the appointment of the following individuals to the positions, in accordance with the RTA salary schedule 2019-20, as follows;

David Aierstok Health and Wellness Coordinator \$4,687
- 6.1.11 +Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to accept grant awards from the Rhinebeck PTSO of \$1,800 in total funding for the following projects, as stipulated: Principal Funds, in the amount of \$1,500, \$500 for each principal; BLPT "Big Read," submitted by Sarah Wheeler, in the amount of \$1,121; and High School Hawk Day, submitted by the RHS Student Council.*

VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer); 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)
MOTION CARRIED

The Board thanked the RSF and the PTSO for their generous donations again and throughout the entire school year.

- 6.2 Motion** by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve a leave request under the Family and Medical Leave Act from Meghan Craft, to commence on or about October 10, 2019, with such leave to be taken as paid medical leave through the period of disability as certified by a physician in writing, to the extent of her accrued sick leave and, thereafter, such leave to be taken as unpaid medical leave through February 14, 2020 or thereabouts.*

VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer); 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)
MOTION CARRIED

- 6.3 Motion** by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve a leave request under the Family and Medical Leave Act from Kimberly Sneed, to commence on or about September 12, 2019, with such leave to be taken as paid medical leave through the period of disability as certified by a physician in writing, to the extent of her accrued sick leave and, thereafter, such leave to be taken as unpaid medical leave through October 24, 2019 or thereabouts.*

VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer); 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)
MOTION CARRIED

- 6.4 Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the four (4) year probationary appointment of Kelsey Rice to the position of English as a New Language (ENL) Teacher, assigned to the Chancellor Livingston Elementary School, effective September 3, 2019, in the tenure area of English as a Second Language, at a salary of Step 2 MA+9 (\$64,166), in accordance with the RTA Salary Schedule for 2019-20.*

VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer); 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)
MOTION CARRIED

- 6.5 +Motion** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve a modification of the leave request under the Family and Medical Leave Act from Laura Natalie, having commenced on June 10, 2019, with such leave to be taken as paid medical leave through the period of disability as certified by a physician in writing, through June 26, 2019, to the extent of her accrued sick leave and, thereafter, such leave to be taken as unpaid child care leave, the leave period now to be extended through September 8, 2020.*

VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer); 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)
MOTION CARRIED

7.0 Proposed Executive Session, If Necessary, Subject to Board Approval

Motion by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, the Board voted to enter Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the employment of particular persons at 9:34 pm.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer);
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)**

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, the Board voted for Joseph Phelan as clerk pro tempore.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer);
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)**

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, the Board voted to return to Regular session at 10:30 pm.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer);
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)**

MOTION CARRIED

8.0 Adjournment

Motion by Lyons, seconded by Fleischhauer, the Board voted to adjourn at 10:31 pm.

**VOTE: 6 AYE (Schulkind, Fleischhauer, Lyons, Raum, Savolainen, VanWormer);
0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; 1 ABSENT (Jenkins)**

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Druker
District Clerk

Joseph Phelan
Clerk Pro Tempore