

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.
HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Minutes Meeting #13

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The regular meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on January 9, 2012 at the Hudson High School library, 215 Harry Howard Avenue, Hudson, NY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by President Peter Merante at 7:00 p.m. with the following Board Members in attendance:

PRESENT:	Peter D. Merante, Sr. Jeri Chapman Elizabeth Fout Kelly Frank Peter Meyer Carrie Otty Peter A. Rice, Jr. David Frank, Student Representative
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ALSO PRESENT:	Superintendent Assistant Superintendent Clerk of the Board	John F. Howe Maria J. Suttmeier Frieda Van Deusen
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A moment of silence was observed and reflections shared by Board Members and Superintendent Howe in memory of Daniel P. Barrett, Business Manager of our school district.

Ms. Frank made a motion, seconded by Ms. Fout, that the Board of Education accept the Board Agenda with the following changes: AGENDA
ACCEPTED

- 1) Pull Agenda Item #8.1.8 from the agenda
- 2) Hold Agenda Item #8.1.4 until the January 23, 2012 Board Meeting

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

Presentations/Awards PRESENTATIONS

Montgomery C. Smith Intermediate School – Teacher Edgar Acevedo and his students shared an interpretation of curriculum through dance.

Scholar Athlete Team Awards –

Whereas, the Hudson High School Cross Country Team, coached by Andrew Ohrin, has achieved a composite grade of 91.879 and qualifies for the Scholar Athlete Team Award by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, Inc.;

Be It Hereby Resolved, that the Board of Education acknowledges and congratulates the coach and members of the team for their outstanding accomplishments both on and off the course, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Superintendent Howe, Board President Merante and Coach Ohrin congratulated the team and presented each member with a certificate from the district and a pin from New York State.

PRESENTATIONS

Promise Neighborhoods Grant – Maria Suttmeier announced that the Hudson City School District was a recipient of over \$400,000 in grant money for the Promise Neighbor Grant work. Representatives of the Hudson Promise Neighborhood Committee updated the Board on their work in regard to the Promise Neighborhood Grant and encouraged everyone to get involved.

PUBLIC FORUM

Caitlyn Krein, Vice President of the Sophomore Class, addressed the Board in regard to an international field trip for the high school Spanish students to visit Paris and Madrid, at no cost to the district, this April.

CONSENSUS AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Meyer, with a second by Ms. Otty, the Board of Education approved the consensus agenda as follows:

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MINUTES #12

CONSENSUS AGENDA On a motion by Mr. Meyer, with a second by Ms. Otty, the Board of Education approved the consensus agenda as follows:

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MINUTES #12 APPROVED

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approve Board Meeting Minutes #12, dated December 12, 2011, pages 3234-3236.

KEY BANK DONATION

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$500.00 from Key Bank for the Hudson Bluehawk Nation Afterschool Program and direct the Board Clerk to send a thank you, as recommended by the Superintendent.

RHEINSTROM HILL DONATION

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education accept a donation in the amount of \$514.54 from the Rheinstrom Hill Community Foundation specifically for use by our school garden 4-H Youth Development Program, School Partners in Gardening, and direct the Board Clerk to send a thank you, as recommended by the Superintendent.

TAX REFUND TOWN OF CLAVERACK

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approve a tax refund, as attached, in the amount of \$113.36 to Jay Shulman, Town of Claverack, due to a small claims petition, as recommended by the Superintendent.

ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT COXSACKIE TRANSPORT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approve an addendum, as attached, to the current contract to LaSalle for Coxsackie Transport to transport a student attending St. Catherine's beginning January 3, 2012 and ending June 30, 2012, at a total anticipated cost increase of \$2750.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.

PARTIAL YEAR CONTRACT COXSACKIE TRANSPORT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approve a partial year transportation contract, as attached, with Coxsackie Transport for a CSE student to be transported to the Catskill Questar Program due to medical reasons that prohibit this student from riding on the existing bus, beginning January 3, 2012 and ending March 30, 2012, at a total anticipated cost of \$8151.00, as recommended by the Superintendent.

JOHN HOWE APPOINTED INTERIM PURCHASING AGENT

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education appoint John Howe as Interim Purchasing Agent for the Hudson City School District, effective January 1, 2012 until the appointment of a Business Official, as recommended by the Superintendent.

HHS ROBOTICS TEAM

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approve the Hudson High School Robotics Team's participation at the FIRST WPI (Worcester Polytechnic Institute) Regional competition in Hartford, CT, from March 28-31, 2012, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education approve an international field trip, as attached, for high school Spanish students to visit Paris and Madrid April 5-15, 2012, at no cost to the district, as recommended by the Superintendent. **INTERNATIONAL FIELD TRIP APPROVED**

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Education arranges for placement of students with disabilities (CSE and CPSE meetings held on October 3, 31, November 1, 30, December 2, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, 23, 2011, January 3, 2012) **CSE & CPSE PLACEMENTS**

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education went into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss employment/employment history of a particular person(s). **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

The Board of Education came out of Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

On a motion by Ms. Frank, with a second by Ms. Fout, the Board of Education approve personnel agenda items #15.1.1-15.1.11, as attached. **PERSONNEL AGENDA APPROVED**

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Superintendent Jack Howe announced that the Hudson City School District was awarded a \$5000.00 grant for the Hudson Reads Program. The Hudson Reads Committee will meet on January 11, 2012 at 11:30 a.m. at M.C. Smith Intermediate School. **GRANT FOR HUDSON READS**

Mr. Meyer made a motion, seconded by Ms. Frank, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m. **ADJOURNED**

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

15.1.1 SAFETY OFFICER RESIGNATION

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date
A.	Hallenbeck	William	School Safety Officer	Close of business on 12/31/11

15.1.2 ACADEMIC TUTOR APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Hours/Rate of Pay	Effective Dates	Notes
A.	Capuano	Brian	Academic Tutor for Ancram Group Home Students	Ancram Group Home	~\$48.00 per hour for 1 hr/day, 4 days/wk, after school hours. ~Mileage reimbursement from HSHS to Ancram Group Home at the rate of \$.555 per mile.	1/10/12-6/15/12	Funded via Title I Part D for Neglected/Delinquent Youth Posting #120611-76

15.1.3 ABOLISH SUPPORT STAFF POSITION

	Position	Location	Effective Date	Notes
A.	1:1 Teacher Aide	HJHS	1/9/12	Student has been transferred to an out of district placement

15.1.4 SUPPORT STAFF TRANSFER

	Last Name	First Name	New Position	New Location	Former Position	Former Location	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Simmons	Tracy	1:1 Teacher Aide	JLE	1:1 Teacher Aide	HJHS	1/9/12	The aide position at HJHS is no longer needed since the student has been placed out of district. Therefore, the aide will be transferred to the open position at JLE – Posting #N121211-125

15.1.5 SUPPORT STAFF HOURLY CHANGE

	Last Name	First Name	Position	New Hours	Former Hours	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Smith	JoAnna	1:1 Teacher Aide	7 hrs/day	6.5 hrs/day	12/13/11	To accommodate student's specialized transportation needs

15.1.6 SUPPORT STAFF RESIGNATION

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Effective Date
A.	Peters	Charles F.	Lunch Aide	MCSIS	11/12/11

15.1.7 SUBSTITUTE STAFF APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Certification	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Alessi	Lena	Substitute Teacher	Not Certified	\$65.00 per day	1/10/12
B.	Alessi	Lena	Substitute Teaching Assistant	Not Certified	\$10.83 per hour	1/10/12
C.	Mannino	Frances	Food Service Helper Substitute	n/a	\$8.55 per hour	1/10/12
D.	Culletto	Michele	Substitute Teacher	Certified	\$85.00 per day	1/10/12
E.	Culletto	Michele	Home Instructor	Certified	\$20.00 per hour	1/10/12
F.	Wheeler	Gail	Home Instructor	Certified	\$20.00 per hour	1/10/12
G.	Altomer	Karen	Clerical Substitute	n/a	\$16.16 per hour	1/10/12

15.1.8 EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS APPOINTMENT*

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Season	Stipend	Effective Date
A.	Benson	Chelsea	Girl's Varsity Track Assistant Coach	Spring	\$2996.	1/9/12

15.1.9 LIFEGUARD APPOINTMENTS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Hours	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
A.	Garafalo	Lindsey	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	2011-2012 school year
B.	Mabb	John	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	2011-2012 school year
C.	Rost	Rebecca	Lifeguard	As needed	\$9.00/hr. PM Swim \$11.00/hr. AM Swim	2011-2012 school year

15.1.10 21ST CENTURY PROGRAM APPOINTMENT

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Rate of Pay	Effective Date	Notes
A.	Porreca	Christopher	ASP Student Helper	\$9.00 per hour (not to exceed 25 hrs/wk)	1/9/12	Funded via 21 st Century Grant

15.1.11 21ST CENTURY PROGRAM RESIGNATIONS

	Last Name	First Name	Position	Effective Date
A.	Anthony	Michael	ASP Instructor	1/9/12
B.	Dyer	Alyssa	ASP Instructor	1/9/12
C.	Fuller	Bryan	ASP Student Helper	1/9/12
D.	Lee	Winston	ASP Student Helper	1/9/12
E.	Ley	Michelle	ASP Instructor	1/9/12

All appointments are subject to and shall not constitute employment by the District unless and until clearance for employment has been received from the State Education Department relating to fingerprinting and criminal history record check of the prospective school employee, where required by law.

*Appointments are contingent upon successful completion of CPR, AED & First Aid for Coaches.