



**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2023
6 PM - NEW YORK MILLS UFSD LIBRARY**

- Steve King
- Kristin Hubley
- Jacqueline Edwards
- Jeremy Fennell
- Jonathan Fiore
- Kimberly Gyore
- Robert Mahardy, Jr.

Agenda Item	Who	Information Distributed	Action	Notes
1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER				6:01 p.m. Appointed R. Mahardy as Clerk pro temp
1.1 Pledge to the Flag	J. Fiore		Procedural	
1.2 Reading of the New York Mills UFSD Mission Statement.			Procedural	<i>Through combined efforts of students, staff, parents and community members, our mission is to foster the confidence, knowledge, cognition, and character necessary to instill a strong work ethic, to create an environment of tolerance and respect, and to ignite an attitude of inquiry and enthusiasm for learning that will enable students to become productive, responsible citizens.</i>
1.3 Acceptance of Agenda	S. King	Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd K. Gyore / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
2. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS				
2.1 President’s Message	S. King		Information	<i>Board Email Thoughts?</i>
2.2 BOCES Representative Report	G. Porcelli		Information	<i>No Report.</i>
2.3 Presentation – BONADIO GROUP		Audit	Information	<i>Presenter- Kaylee Hines and Erica Pawlewicz.</i>

				<i>The Audit Report was distributed to members. A second packet will follow which will include the District's results from the single audit. Filing requirements are ensured by Bonadio. Pursuant to NYS deadline, submission for the audit on the Financial Statements deadline is October 15th and a January deadline for the Single Audit Results.</i>
2.4 Committee Reports			Information	
<p>Policy Committee: <i>Jacqueline Edwards/Chair, Kimberly Gyore, Kristin Hubley – No meeting held. We are in the 7000's. Be mindful that we are doing what is required by law. School Mgmt. Policy was adopted instead of School Tool. J. Edwards asked that the Board approve 5.2 State requirement on breast feeding mothers.</i></p> <p>Facilities Committee: <i>Jeremy Fennell/Chair, Jacqueline Edwards – Capital Project / In August a subcommittee mtg. was held regarding Beekman Gym. It was determined that at this time, we will not be including Beekman in this capital discussion. Power Point presented.</i></p> <p>Communications Committee: <i>Robert Mahardy/Chair, Jeremy Fennell – No update at this time.</i></p> <p>Safety Committee: <i>Kristin Hubley/Chair, Robert Mahardy – Meeting to be scheduled.</i></p> <p>Transportation/Safety Committee: <i>Kimberly Gyore/Chair, Jonathan Fiore – Meeting scheduled for 10/12/23.</i></p> <p>Finance Committee: <i>Jonathan Fiore/Chair, Jacqueline Edwards, Kimberly Gyore – Auditors covered it.</i></p> <p>SBI: <i>Steve King (SBI Alternate: Kristin Hubley) – A general membership meeting was held to discuss Electric School Buses. Representatives from NYSBA, Gov. Relations, Electric Bus Company and National Grid. 100-mile range raised concerns. The hope is the time limit will be pushed back.</i></p>				
3. CONSENT AGENDA				
3.1 Approval of 3.2 through 3.3	S. King	Yes	Action	1 st J. Fiore 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ___
3.2 Business Office Reports – 3.2-a Budget Transfers		Yes	Action	1 st _____ 2 nd _____ / Yes ___ No___ Abstain ___
3.3 CSE Report		Yes	Action	1 st _____ 2 nd _____ / Yes ___ No___ Abstain ___
3.4 Approval of the Previous Minutes	9.12.23	Yes	Action	1 st J. Fiore 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 6 No___ Abstain 1
4. OLD BUSINESS				

4.1 Capital Updates			Information	
5. NEW BUSINESS				
5.1 Personnel Report		Yes	Action	1 st J. Fiore 2 nd R. Mahardy / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____ Amend #2 Add: M-F 7:45 – 1:30 Shift designation
5.2 – Policy 6404 Rights of Nursing Employees to Express Breast Milk – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.3 – Policy 8001 School Calendar and School Day – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.4 – Policy 8101 Selection and Review of Instructional Materials – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.5 – Policy 8104 7-12 School Grading Policy- Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No ____ Abstain ____
5.6 – Policy 8105 Graduation Credentials- Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.7 – Policy 8200 Guidance Counseling Program – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.8 – Policy 8201 High School/College Bridge Program- Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.9- Policy 8202 Auditing Classes- Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.10 – Policy 8203 Student Musical Groups Participation in Community Activities – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.11 – Policy 8300 Home Instruction – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____

5.12 – Policy 8302 Courses Including Dissection of Animals- Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.13 – Policy 8303 Limited English Proficiency Instruction English Language Learners – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.14 – Policy 8507 Public Report on Revisions to District Policies, Practices, and Procedures Upon a Finding of Significant Disproportionality – Adopt		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.15 - Excise List for Bid, Sale Disposal of – Math Textbooks		Yes	Action	1 st J. Fennell 2 nd K. Gyore / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.16 – Resolution to Approve the 2022-2023 Audit from the Bonadio Group		Yes	Action	1 st J. Edwards 2 nd K. Gyore / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.17 - Resolution to Approve the 2022-2023 ECA Audit from the Bonadio Group		Yes	Action	1 st K. Hubley 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.18 - Resolution to Adopt the SEQRA		Yes	Action	1 st J. Fiore 2 nd K. Hubley / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
5.19 – Resolution Calling for a Vote on the Proposed 2023 Capital Improvements Project		Yes	Action	1 st R. Mahardy 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
6. K-12 REPORTS				
6.1 Executive Principal K-12	M. Facci		Information	<p><i>Open House was very well received and there was positive feedback from parents.</i></p> <p><i>T. Papienek is out on FMLA – Colleagues have gotten together to provide support for the family. They have set up a link for t-shirts and will collect any cards, etc. Student Council will be selling bracelets in support of him – if interested, contact Mary for a link.</i></p>

				<p><i>Spirit week is scheduled for the week of Oct. 16-20; Homecoming dance is scheduled for Saturday, 10/21 (7:00 - 10:00 p.m.) followed by the varsity football game on Saturday vs. Sauquoit at noon.</i></p> <p><i>All juniors are invited to go to Utica University and SUNY Poly on October 19th for their first round of college visits;</i></p> <p><i>5-week reports will be mailed out the week of 10/16/23.</i></p>
6.2 Interim Principal K-12	D. DiSpirito		Information	<p><i>A grade team meeting was held with teachers to discuss scores going into the school year.</i></p> <p><i>Amanda Woodward, our K-6 guidance counselor, has held RTI meetings and is doing a good job with keeping records on struggling students. and interventions. I attended a SBIT meeting, (School Based Inquiry Team) wherein we reviewed data on behavior and interventions.</i></p> <p><i>Student of the Month. We will be giving 2 awards each month. The first will be the Principal's Award given out by grade level. The other based on the Positivity Project – character trait award.</i></p> <p><i>Fire Safety – we have done well with the fire drills. We are planning to have the kids go to the Firehouse. Arrangements are in the works.</i></p> <p><i>Officer Chase has offered to come into the classrooms and discuss lockdowns with the children. Kids are very receptive. Will continue with this.</i></p> <p><i>We have had some STAR training for a program called FRECKLE. Teachers like the instructional piece to this. Interventions have begun with the reading and math teachers.</i></p> <p><i>Trunk or Treat and the Turkey Trot are coming up.</i></p>

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT				<p><i>Mr. Waterman has been instrumental in getting some representatives from local colleges in the building.</i></p> <p><i>We had a smooth opening. We are continuing to look at our policies and procedures. Significant progress has been made on the initiatives the Board discussed as priorities.</i></p>
7.1 Enrollment Update	M. LaGase	Yes	Information	
7.2 Superintendent's Update	M. LaGase		Information	
8. COMMUNICATIONS				
8.1 From the Floor -	Steve King		Information	<p><i>Abbie Taylor spoke – she has 2nd and 5th grader in school. She presented as a member of the Optimists Club. Looking to restart Bidy Ball. Optimist Club will support the program and provide liability insurance. The request to use the school facilities will be presented at the next meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Jeanne Marley, NYMTA, spoke about Mr. Papienek. The Teachers Assn. is working to support him and his family. The Association is blown away by all the support from the board, community, alumni and students.</i></p>
<p>Persons wishing to speak should first be recognized by the President, then identify themselves, any organization they may be representing at the meeting, and the agenda topic or other matter of public concern about our schools that they wish to discuss. Topics must be addressed one at a time with each individual's comments limited to three (3) minutes for a total of twelve (12) minutes designated for the public comment agenda item.</p>				
8.2 Board Discussion	BOE		Discussion	
9. EXECUTIVE SESSION ** (If Needed)	BOE	7:40 pm	Discussion/Action	1 st R. Mahardy 2 nd K. Hubley / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
9.1 Return to General Session (time)	BOE	8:30 pm	Action	1 st J. Edwards 2 nd R. Mahardy / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____
10. ADJOURNMENT				

10.1 Adjournment			Action	1 st R. Mahardy 2 nd J. Edwards / Yes 7 No 0 Abstain ____

**§105. Conduct of executive sessions.

1. Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the general area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, a public body may conduct an executive session for the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken to appropriate public moneys:

- a. matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed;**
- b. any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer;**
- c. information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed;**
- d. discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation;**
- e. collective negotiations pursuant to article fourteen of the civil service law;**
- f. the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;**
- g. the preparation, grading or administration of examinations; and**
- h. the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.**

2. Attendance at an executive session shall be permitted to any member of the public body and any other persons authorized by the public body.