



MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANHASSET, NEW YORK 11030
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 10, 2020
SECONDARY SCHOOL/DISTRICT OFFICE/COMMUNITY ROOM
AND VIA ZOOM VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS – LIVE ON YOUTUBE
DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT AND VOTING: Ms. Patricia Aitken, President, Ms. Christine Monterosso, Vice President, Mr. Carlo Prinzo, Ms. Regina Rule and Ms. Ann Marie Curd, Trustees

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: NONE

STUDENT DELEGATE PRESENT: Mir Zayid Alam

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Vincent Butera, Superintendent; Rosemary Johnson, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations; Dr. Gaurav Passi, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Allison Rushforth, Executive Director of District Special Education Programs and Pupil Personnel Services and several other administrators.

CALL TO ORDER and VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

On motion duly made at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Aitken verified the presence of a quorum and called to order a Regular Meeting of the Manhasset Board of Education Meeting.

MOTION: The Board of Education convenes herewith a Regular Board Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

On motion duly made at 7:00 p.m., the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting and convened Executive Session to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation, and for discussions involving proposed, pending, or current litigation.

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PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

8:13 p.m. There were over 90 community members and staff in attendance via Zoom

A. Approval of Minutes (Enclosures)

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the August 20, 2020 Board Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the August 25, 2020 Board Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 4-0

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the August 27, 2020 Board Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo - YES

MOTION APPROVED: 3-0

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the September 2, 2020 Board Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 4-0

B. Acceptance of Gifts to Fund the Marketing Club (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District gratefully acknowledges and authorizes the administration to accept gifts from Felise Kissell and Sanjeev Jain in the amount of \$1,050 each to fund the Manhasset Marketing Club at the Secondary School.

C. Acceptance of Gift of Masks (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District gratefully acknowledges and authorizes the administration to accept a gift of 50,000 masks from Wade and Pearl Li valued at \$15,000.

D. Superintendent's Report**E. Appointment of Associate Principal**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education ("Board") appoints Assistant Principal Peter Vercessi to the position of Associate Principal effective July 1, 2020 and he shall receive the stipend pursuant to Article V.B of the 2020-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Board of Education and the Manhasset Administrators and Supervisors Association.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

F. Student Delegate's Report

G. Personnel (Enclosures)

*****See Item E for Appointment of Associate Principal**

RESOLUTIONS TO APPROVE SIDE LETTERS:

Art Gallery Curator

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District approves the terms of a Side Letter Agreement dated August 20, 2020 between the District and the Manhasset Education Association regarding the creation of a permanent Art Gallery Curator position.

Secondary School Clubs

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District approves the terms of a Side Letter Agreement dated August 20, 2020 between the District and the Manhasset Education Association regarding the creation of new Secondary School club positions.

STANDARD WORK DAY RESOLUTION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Manhasset UFSD, Location Code 72813, hereby establishes the standard work days for Assistant Payroll Supervisor at 7 hours per day and will report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body.

PERSONNEL SCHEDULE:

Appointments (134) (As per MEA & MESPA Agreements) The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule A-8, Appointments.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education ("Board") appoints Lauren Kushner to a four year probationary appointment as an Elementary Special Education Teacher (tenure area: Education of Children with Handicapping Conditions/ General Special Education) effective 9/1/2020, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. *

*Pursuant to Education Law section 3012-d and Commissioner's Regulations, in order to be considered for tenure, said individual probationary appointees must have received an APPR rating of effective or highly effective in three of the four probationary years and must not receive an ineffective in the fourth year.

Leave of Absence (1) (As per MEA Agreement) The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule L-4, Leave of Absence.

Terminations (5) (As per MEA and MESPA Agreement) The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule T-8, Terminations.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES
MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

H. Consent Agenda

1. CSE/CPSE/Section 504 Minutes (Enclosures)

MOTION: Upon recommendation of the CSE/CPSE/Section 504 Chairperson, the Board of Education hereby approves recommended placements, services, supports, and/or accommodations as recommended in CSE/CPSE/Section 504 meetings held on the dates so indicated in the Committee Recommendations for Board of Education Review with Details, dated September 10, 2020.

2. Ratification of Conference Requests (Enclosures)

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby ratifies the Conference Requests reviewed by Assistant Superintendent Passi and approved by the Superintendent and the Business Official. These requests are on file in Central Office and available for review, if requested.

3. RECEIPT OF TAXES LEVIED OR TO BE LEVIED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of Manhasset Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$20,000,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The Notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes levied or to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, and the proceeds of the Notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.

(b) The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.

(c) The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.

(d) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute tax certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District, and shall have the corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted thereon which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

4. Approval of Agreement with Manhasset Afterschool Xperience (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby approves the agreement between Manhasset Union Free School District and Manhasset Afterschool Xperience (MAX) for a total of \$16,650 for the 2020-2021 school year.

5. Approval of the Formation of the Elementary Chamber Orchestra

The Elementary Chamber Orchestra is a new select ensemble for students who play a string instrument at Munsey Park and Shelter Rock Elementary Schools. Each elementary school will have this smaller, audition-based ensemble for advanced students that will perform a more challenging set of repertoire than the Concert Orchestra. In addition to in-school performances, these ensembles will also perform at the annual SCA Fair.

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District hereby authorizes the formation of the Elementary Chamber Orchestra.

6. Approval of Agreement for Health and Welfare Services with Hempstead UFSD (Enclosure)

This agreement provides for the Health and Welfare Services available to Manhasset residents attending private schools located in other districts as required by Section 912 of the Education Law.

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves the agreement between the Hempstead UFSD and the Manhasset UFSD and authorizes the Superintendent and the Board President to execute said agreement.

7. Appointment of School Physicians

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby appoints Dr. Ronald Marino and Dr. Rosalie Guillen-Santana as School Physicians for the 2020/2021 school year though an agreement with Nassau BOCES Health and Allied Services – Medical Director Service.

8. Resolution to Excess Refrigerator from Shelter Rock School Cafeteria

MOTION: The Manhasset Union Free School District Board of Education has determined that the 3-door refrigerator with asset number 101151 is obsolete and cannot be salvaged or utilized effectively or economically by the District, and authorizes the refrigerator to be discarded or donated in whatever way the District sees fit.

9. Approval of Manhasset School District Contract for Receipt of Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Manhasset Union Free School District Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute the attached Manhasset School District Contract for Receipt of Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations for the 2019-2020 school year. The contract is in

accordance with grants 611 and 619, and the Special Education Provider has met the necessary criteria.

- SCO Family of Services, Westbrook Preparatory School

10. Approval of Special Education Service Agreements (Enclosures)

MOTION: The Manhasset Union Free School District Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute the Special Education Service Agreements with the following service providers in accordance with the IEP(s) of special education student(s) in the 2020-2021 school year:

- Mill Neck Services

- Therapy Services of Greater NY

11. Approval of Special Education Consultant Agreement (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Manhasset Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute a Consultant Agreement with Family Life Time Solutions, Inc., for professional development services.

12. Resolution to Excess English Textbooks

MOTION: The Manhasset Union Free School District Board of Education has determined that the English books listed below are obsolete and cannot be salvaged or utilized effectively or economically by the District, and authorizes the English books to be discarded or donated in whatever way the District sees fit.

| Title | Author/Editor | Publisher | Copyright Date | Number of Copies |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Canyons | Gary Paulsen | Dell | 1990 | 92 |
| Nothing but the Truth | Avi | McDougal Littell | 1997 | 152 |
| Out of the Dust | Karen Hesse | Scholastic | 1997 | 69 |
| Seedfolks | Paul Fleischman | Harper Collins | 2002 | 41 |
| The Giver | Loius Lowry | Laurel-Leaf | 1993 | 7 |
| The Call of the Wild | Jack London | Permabound Books | 1988 | 13 |
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| Romeo and Juliet | Shakespeare | Forgotten Books Publisher | 2015 | 120 |
| The Odyssey | Robert Fitzgerald, Translator | Farrar, Strauss and Giroux | 1988 | 114 |
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| Doctor Faustus | Christopher Marlowe | Signet Classic | 1969 | 16 |
| Into the Wild | Jon Krakauer | Ancho books | 1996 | 8 |
| Into Thin Air | Jon Krakauer | Anchor Books | 1997 | 8 |
| The Crucible | Arthur Miller | Penguin Plays | 1982 | 24 |
| A Modest Propoal | Johnathan Swift | Tale Blazer Books | 1990 | 41 |
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| Angela's Ashes | Frank McCourt | Scribner | 1996 | 30 |
| Death and the Maiden | Ariel Dorfman | Penguin Plays | 1991 | 173 |
| Fences | August Wilson | Penguin | 1986 | 60 |
| Kaffir Boy | Mark Mathabane | Touchstone | 1986 | 30 |
| King Lear | Shakespeare | Signet Classic | 1998 | 73 |
| Kite Runner | Khaled Hosseini | Riverhead Books | 2003 | 42 |
| Siddharta | Herman Hesse | Bantam Books | 1951 | 170 |
| The Awakening | Kate Chopin | Dover Thrift Edition | 1993 | 30 |
| The Things They Carried | Tim O'Brien | Mariner | 1990 | |
| Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry | Midred D. Taylor | Puffin Books | 1976 | 50 |

13. Approval of Amended 2020/2021 School Calendar (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves the 2020/2021 amended school calendar as submitted.

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby unanimously approves the consent agenda.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

I. Upcoming Items of Interest

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

| Date | Day | Meeting | Location | Time |
|------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------|
| September | | | | |
| 23 | Wednesday | Board Meeting | * | 8:00 pm |
| October | | | | |
| 8 | Thursday | Board Meeting | * | 8:00 pm |
| 22 | Thursday | Board Meeting | * | 8:00 pm |

Upcoming Board Policy Meetings

| Date | Day | Meeting | Location | Time |
|------------------|--------|----------------|----------|----------|
| September | | | | |
| 11 | Friday | Policy Meeting | * | 8:30 am |
| 18 | Friday | Policy Meeting | * | 11:00 am |
| 25 | Friday | Policy Meeting | * | 8:30 am |
| October | | | | |
| 2 | Friday | Policy Meeting | * | 8:30 am |
| 9 | Friday | Policy Meeting | * | 8:30 am |

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| 23 | Friday Policy Meeting | * | 8:30 am |
| 30 | Friday Policy Meeting | * | 8:30 am |

***Due to Covid-19 restrictions, meetings will continue to be held via Zoom Video Communications or other similar platform.**

J. Open Discussion: Participants were invited to ask questions and make comments.

K. MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

On motion duly made at 8:57 p.m., the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting.

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby adjourns the Regular Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo, Ms. Rule, Ms. Curd- YES

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,
Christine N. Michelen
District Clerk