



MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANHASSET, NEW YORK 11030
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 6, 2022
MANHASSET SECONDARY SCHOOL
MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT AND VOTING: Ms. Patricia Aitken President; Ms. Christine Monterosso, Vice President; Ms. Regina Rule, Ms. Jill Pullano and Ms. Erin Royce, Trustees

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: None

STUDENT DELEGATE PRESENT: Kathryn Gajdjis

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Gaurav Passi, Acting Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Rosemary Johnson, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations; Ms. Allison Rushforth, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, and other administrators both in person and via Zoom.

A. CALL TO ORDER and VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

On motion duly made at 6:00 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, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

On motion duly made at 6:00 p.m., the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting and convened Executive Session for discussions involving proposed, pending, or current litigation and discussions involving matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

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MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

7:00 PM – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Wellness Learning Center and Broadcast Journalism Suite

8:02 pm – over 30 staff and community members were present and over 50 participated via Zoom

B. Acceptance of SAM Program Grant Sponsored by State Senator Anna Kaplan

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District gratefully acknowledges and authorizes the administration to accept a State and Municipal Facilities (SAM) Program Grant in the amount of \$250,000 sponsored by State Senator Anna Kaplan to be used for the renovation of the Assistance Principal's office and construction of the new Wellness Learning Center at the Secondary School..

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

C. Student/Staff Recognition

AP Capstone Diploma

Teachers

Jeremy Berman

Elliott Wong

Class of '22

Sambhav Jain

Devin Kantu

Sophia Vlahakis

Class of '21

Katherine Carlson

Marco Motroni

Sava O'Connor

Jihyeon Park

District Wellness Team

District Director of School Counseling Services

Joy-Anne D'Anca, Ed.D.

School Psychologists

Gregory Di Giacomo, Ph.D.

Jessica Held, Psy.D.

Sparkle Jacob

Kim-Marie Jappell

Ashley Marinez, Ph.D.

Sarah Sammis

Stephanie San Antonio

Anne Soldano
 Holly Tricarico, Psy.D.
 Argyro Vatakis

School Counselors

Danielle Cerulli
 Jenny Chen
 Kim Cosenza
 Marcy Fogel
 Gavin Gandulla
 Amanda Gimondo
 Jennifer Landman
 Brittany Longhway
 Lori Margulies
 Kristen Ruthkowski

School Social Workers

Jennifer Barbieri-Smith
 Robyn Hoffmann
 Melanie Paez
 Lori Pietrafesa

School Nurses

Margaret Dragotto, RN
 Joann Marcucci, RN
 Jill Mc Carney, RN
 Heather Sciara, RN
 Marissa Stewart, RN

Support Personnel

Suzanna Elias
 Amanda Femminella
 John Infranca
 Kelsey Kaczmarek
 Anita Meyerson
 Jeanmarie Scagnelli
 Jaclyn Sussi
 Jacqueline Tabag

D. Approval of Minutes (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the December 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

E. Acting Superintendent's Report

F. Student Delegate's Report**G. Presentation:** K-12 Social/Emotional Learning Program – Dr. Joy D’Anca**H. Personnel Schedule -** (Enclosures)**PERSONNEL SCHEDULE:**

The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District hereby approves the attached personnel schedule dated January 6, 2022 for Instructional and Non-instructional personnel in accordance with their appropriate collective bargaining and/or individual personnel agreements as follows:

- 14 Instructional Appointments
- 1 Instructional Granting of Tenure
- 2 Instructional Terminations
- 2 Non-instructional Appointments
- 2 Non-instructional Granting of Tenure
- 6 Non-instructional Terminations

RESOLUTION TO GRANT TENURE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the persons listed below have thus far successfully completed the probationary period, and supervisors have carefully evaluated the performances during the probationary periods and recommend that the persons be appointed on tenure in the respective areas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent of Schools, the persons be appointed on tenure on the date indicated, on the condition of successful completion of the remainder of the probationary period and receipt of an accepted APPR score if applicable:

Name	Tenure Area	Effective Date
Longhway, Brittany	School Counseling and Guidance	02/08/2022
Millman, Jessica	Teaching Assistant	01/08/2022
Nikolaidis, Santana	Teaching Assistant	03/12/2022

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

I. Denial of Appeal

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, the Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District denies the appeal from the December 1, 2021 decision of the Superintendent of Schools, upholding the suspension of the student named in “Confidential Attachment A”.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

J. 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 January 6, 2022.

2. Ratification of Conference Requests (Enclosures)

MOTION: The Board of Education hereby ratifies the Conference Requests reviewed by Interim Assistant Superintendent Dr. Appiarius and approved by the Acting Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent.

3. Appointment of Member to the Manhasset Audit Committee (Enclosure)

MOTION: The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District hereby appoints Jai Agarwal to the Manhasset Audit Committee for the term July 1, 2021 until June 30, 2022.

MOTION: The Consent Agenda is hereby unanimously approved.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

K. Upcoming Items of Interest

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

Date	Day	Meeting	Location	Time
January				
19	Wednesday	Board Meeting	EOC Building	7:30 pm
February				
3	Thursday	Board Meeting	District Office	7:30 pm
17	Thursday	Board Meeting	District Office	7:30 pm

Upcoming Board of Education Policy Meetings

Date	Day	Meeting	Location	Time
January				
7	Friday	Board Policy Meeting	District Office	9:00 am
14	Friday	Board Policy Meeting	District Office	11:00 am
28	Friday	Board Policy Meeting	District Office	9:00 am

February

4	Friday	Board Policy Meeting	District Office	9:00 am
11	Friday	Board Policy Meeting	District Office	9:00 am
18	Friday	Board Policy Meeting	District Office	9:00 am

L. PUBLIC COMMENT**M. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

At 9:55 p.m., a motion was made and unanimously approved to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

PROPOSED BY: Ms. Aitken

VOTE: Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Ms. Rule, Ms. Pullano, Ms. Royce – **YES**

MOTION APPROVED: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,
Christine N. Michelen, District Clerk