



**MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Manhasset, New York 11030  
Regular Board MEETING Minutes  
January 4, 2024  
District Office/Community Room

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Steve Panzik, President, Jill Pullano, Vice President, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, and Ted Post, Trustees

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT:**

**STUDENT DELEGATE PRESENT:** Sophia Zouak

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:** Dr. Gaurav Passi, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Sam Gergis, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations; and Dr. Donald Gately, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction and Human Resources and Allison Rushforth, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services

**Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM**

**A. Meeting Opening**

**1. Executive Session/Verification of Quorum**

**Motion** by Steven Panzik

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

**2. Student/Staff Recognition**

Participants in the  
**Suffern Holocaust Museum & Center for Tolerance and Education Youth  
Leadership Workshop**

Kathrine Abrams  
Vincent Amato  
Luka Busljeta  
Abigail Chen  
Isabella Cholowsky

Thomas Collard  
Yianni Frousakis  
Colin Gibbs  
Thomas Grygiel  
Olivia Lavaia  
Casey Lippmann  
Ryan Lombard  
Anthony Lucchese  
Luciana Madia  
Hang Mi  
Thomas Neylon  
Remi Pai  
Nicholas Strefadorous  
Sara Strassberg

## **B. Approval of Minutes**

The Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the December 14, 2023 Board Meeting.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

## **C. Student Matters and Curriculum**

### **1. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Gaurav Passi

### **2. Student Delegate's Report**

Sophia Zouak

## **D. Discussions**

### **1. 2024-2025 Calendar**

## **E. Presentations**

### **1. Presentation: English Language & Arts Reading Program and Budget Overview**

Rebecca Chowske

## **F. Regular Agenda**

### **1. Gifts to District**

#### **Acceptance of Gift of the Mural Restoration from the Tower Foundation**

The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District gratefully acknowledges and authorizes the administration to accept a gift of funding for the Munsey Park mural restoration from the Manhasset Tower Foundation valued at \$5,885.

#### **Acceptance of Gift to Fund the High School Junior Tower Club**

The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District gratefully acknowledges and authorizes the administration to accept a gift in the amount of \$1,997.14 from the Tower Foundation of Manhasset to be used to fund the High School Junior Tower Club's advisor stipend, inclusive of pension and payroll taxes.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

### **2. Policy Review**

<b>Second Reading</b>	
4144	Tutoring for Remuneration by Manhasset School Staff
<b>Second Reading</b>	
8130.2	Workplace Violence Prevention

### **3. Board Discussion and Committee Reports**

1. Audit Committee
2. CAC Finance
3. MAAC (Athletics)
4. School Community Association (SCA)
5. Tower Foundation
6. PASE (Special Education)
7. CASA
8. CAC Technology
9. Economic Opportunity Center (EOC)
10. Team Name Committee

## **G. Personnel**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District ("Board") hereby approves the attached personnel schedule dated January 4, 2024, for Instructional and Non-instructional personnel in accordance with their appropriate collective bargaining and/or individual personnel agreements as follows:

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

## **H. Consent Agenda**

### **1. CSE/CPSE/Section 504 Minutes**

**Resolution:** 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 4, 2024.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

### **2. Ratification of Conference Requests**

**Resolution:** The Board of Education hereby ratifies the Conference Requests reviewed by the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Personnel and approved by the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

### **3. Approval of an Instructional Services Agreement**

**Resolution:** The Manhasset Union Free School District Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute Instructional Service Agreements with Dana Slackman Licensed Behavior Analyst PC and Ms. Stefanie Carillo in accordance with the IEP(s) of special education student(s) in the 2023-2024 school year.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

#### **4. Appointment of Member to Team Name Committee**

**Resolution:** The Board of Education of the Manhasset Union Free School District hereby appoints Frank Coughlin to the Team Name Committee.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

#### **4. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda**

**Resolution:** That the consent agenda be unanimously approved.

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

#### **I. Upcoming Items of Interest**

Date	Day	Meeting	Anticipated Presentations/Discussions	Location	Time
<b>January</b>					
18	Thursday	Board of Education	1) William A. Shine and Maggie Grundman Awards 2) Social Studies Program and Budget Overview	District Office	7:00pm
<b>February</b>					
1	Thursday	Board of Education	1) Discussion of Tax Cap Calculation 2) Student Services Program and Budget Overview	District Office	7:00pm

#### **J. Open Time**

##### **1. Public Comment**

## **K. Adjourn**

### **1. Motion to Adjourn Public Session**

The Board of Education hereby adjourns the public session at 9:15 pm

**Motion** by Steven Panzik, second NONE.

Final Resolution: MOTION APPROVED

YES: Jill Pullano, Erin Royce, Nadia Giannopoulos, Steven Panzik, Ted Post

Respectfully submitted by,  
Nicole M. Rosenberg, District Clerk